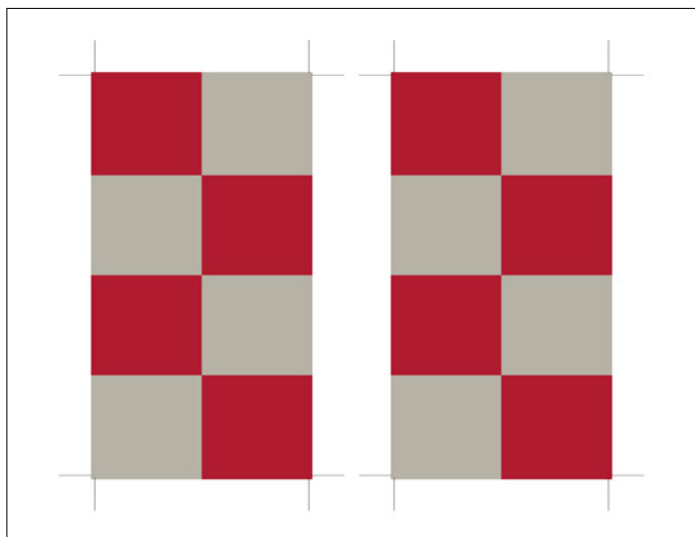




INSTRUCTIONS PHOTO GRID COLLAGE

CZDESIGN 8½ X 11 LAYERED TEMPLATE

These instructions and templates are for use in Photoshop (PS) and Photoshop Elements (PSE) only



WORKING WITH LAYERED TEMPLATES

Open the template and then make sure you also have your **Layers Palette** open. (**View > Layers** in PSE; **Window > Layers** in PS)

Open a paper or photo of your choice, **Select All** (**CTRL + A**; **CMD + A** on a Mac), copy (**CTRL + C**; **CMD + C** on a Mac), then return to the template, click on the layer in the **Layers Palette** that you wish to modify and paste (**CTRL + V**; **CMD + V** on a Mac). Your paper or photo should appear in a new layer directly above that layer in the palette. If not, click on your photo or paper in the **Layers Palette** and drag it directly above the layer you intend to clip into. Use the **Move Tool** to position your image directly over the target shape.

With the new layer highlighted, create a clipping mask (PSE: **CTRL + G**; **CMD + G** on a Mac; (PS: **OPT + CTRL + G**; **OPT + CMD + G** on a Mac) to clip it into the template layer shape below. It works like magic. You can also go to the **Layer Menu** and find the **Create Clipping Mask** command there. Repeat for each photo and paper layer.

DESIGN TIP

I've included crop marks for each collage. Print your collages onto photo paper and use the marks to trim. Each collage is created with a bit of image bleed.

Line up your trimmer on two marks, but do not cut all the way through your paper from edge to edge. Simply line up, pop your trimmer blade down, drag to the corresponding mark, and lift the blade out. Turn your paper one quarter turn, and repeat.

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