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## Purple Cows Laminator-Trimmer Kit

A tote-able trimmer with fun bonus features

The Laminator-Trimmer Kit from Purple Cows is a great gadget for scrappers on the go: a portable paper trimmer with a see-through storage area and a cold laminator. The guillotine-style blade can cut one sheet of sturdy cardstock or up to five pieces of thinner paper up to 8½ inches wide. The transparent plastic cutting surface lifts to provide access to compartments that can hold photos and embellishments. A roller on the side does the laminating work.

This tool is remarkable in its simplicity. Remove it from the box and start trimming. That's it. The cutting surface has a ruler on each edge (in inches) and markings for cutting standard-size pictures (3x5, 4x6, and so on). The markings are useful for removing white borders from home digital prints and for cutting 4x4s, 2x3s, or other small whole-inch rectangles.

You can also easily laminate photos or other paper tidbits. Simply separate the two layers of the clear-film pouch, insert a photo or paper item up to 4x6 inches, place the film layers together, and slide the sandwich into the roller. Then turn the roller knob a few times to activate the adhesive. The kit comes with five laminating pouches. Replacement sets of 20



\$30, [www.purplecows.net](http://www.purplecows.net)

laminating pouches are sold for \$15.

One note of caution: The tool's plastic surface probably can't handle a lot of weight or pressure. So, feel free to bring this lightweight, multipurpose, purple-and-white cutie to all your crops. Just don't hammer brads on it! —Terri Rector Fann

