

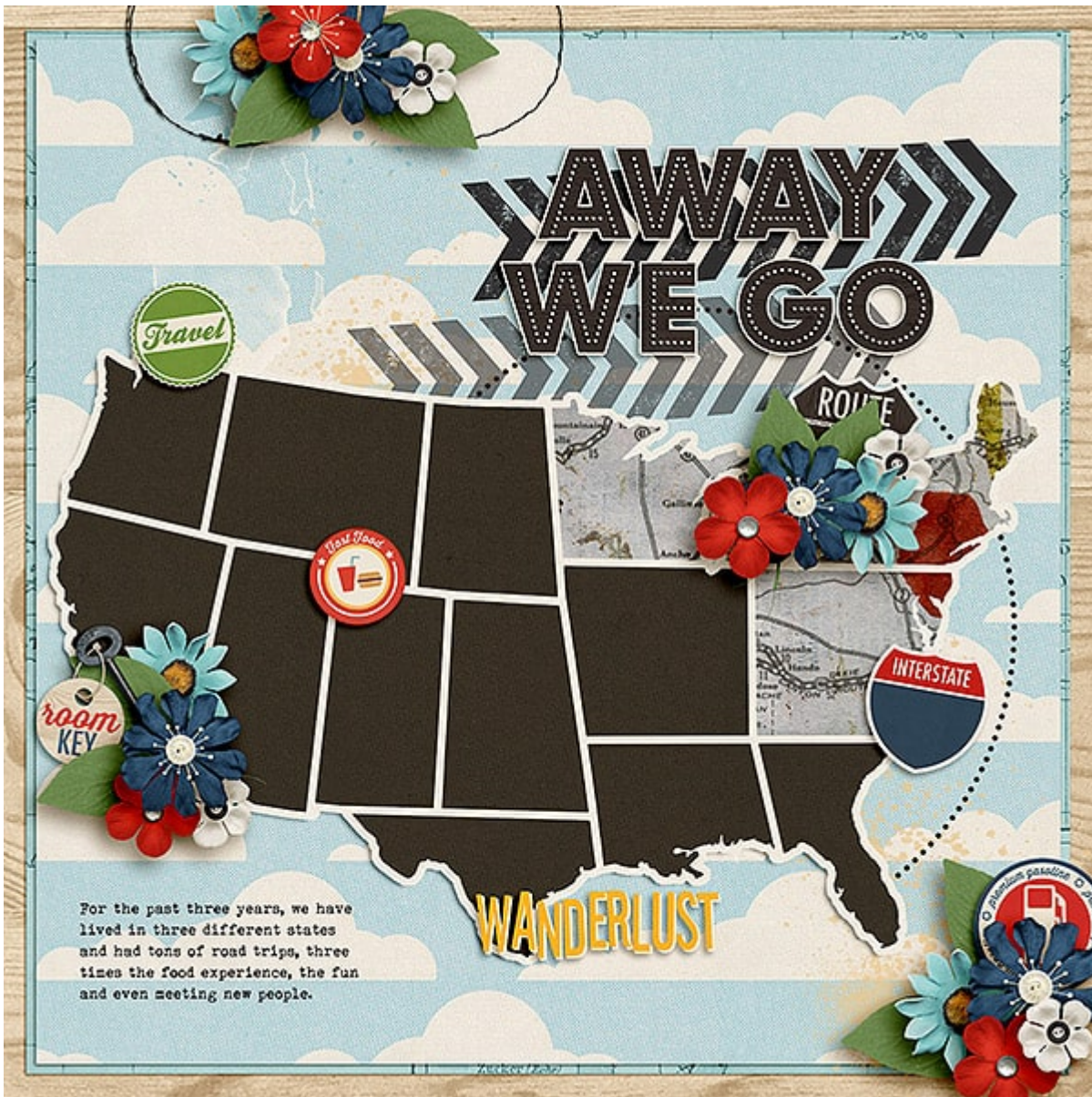
## Ways to use map papers

### Description

When creating your next scrapbook project, you will be using a variety of papers. You can use solid papers, ombre, patterned, or textured papers. But another type of paper that is a bit less common is maps. You can use map papers in different ways. Let's have a look at some of those.

### Create a template

Starting with an actual map, you can trace a contour and use it as a silhouette. You can be precise or do rough lines around the shape. And you can also use smaller sections like states or provinces, where each one can be used to display a photo or another paper. You can use such templates to illustrate where you have lived, areas you have visited, or where your ancestors come from.

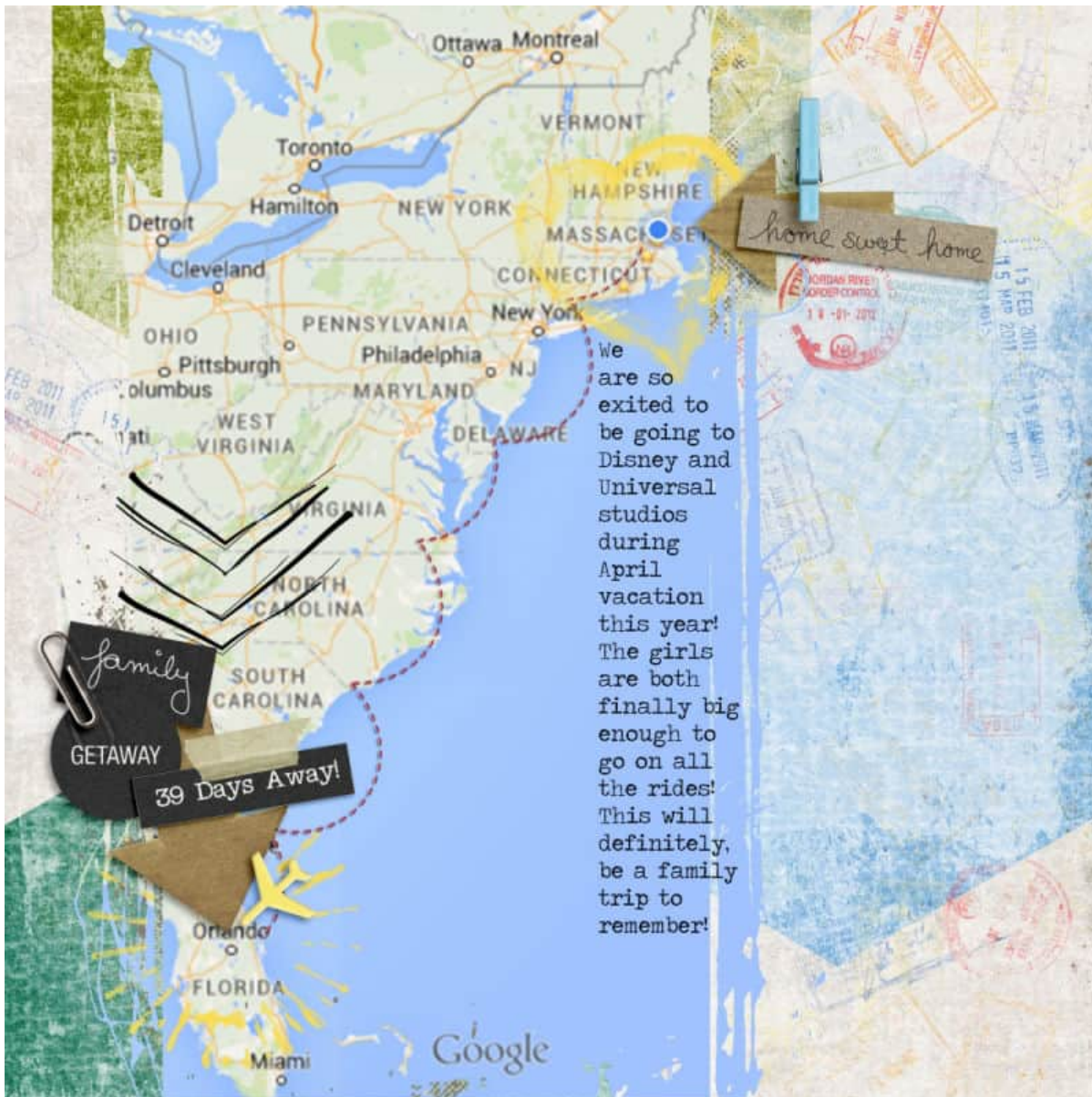




## Destinations

If you have gone for a trip, or plan to, you can use a map to identify your departure and your destination. You can be specific and use a precise marker or just a general area identified only with an arrow. A dashed curve will often be associated with long trips where the start and the end are the stars and not the movement in-between.





## Road trips

Unlike the previous type of use, a road trip will likely be more detailed. You will want to show a path along the roads taken during the trip. You could parse that path with various stops or specific landmarks you came across.



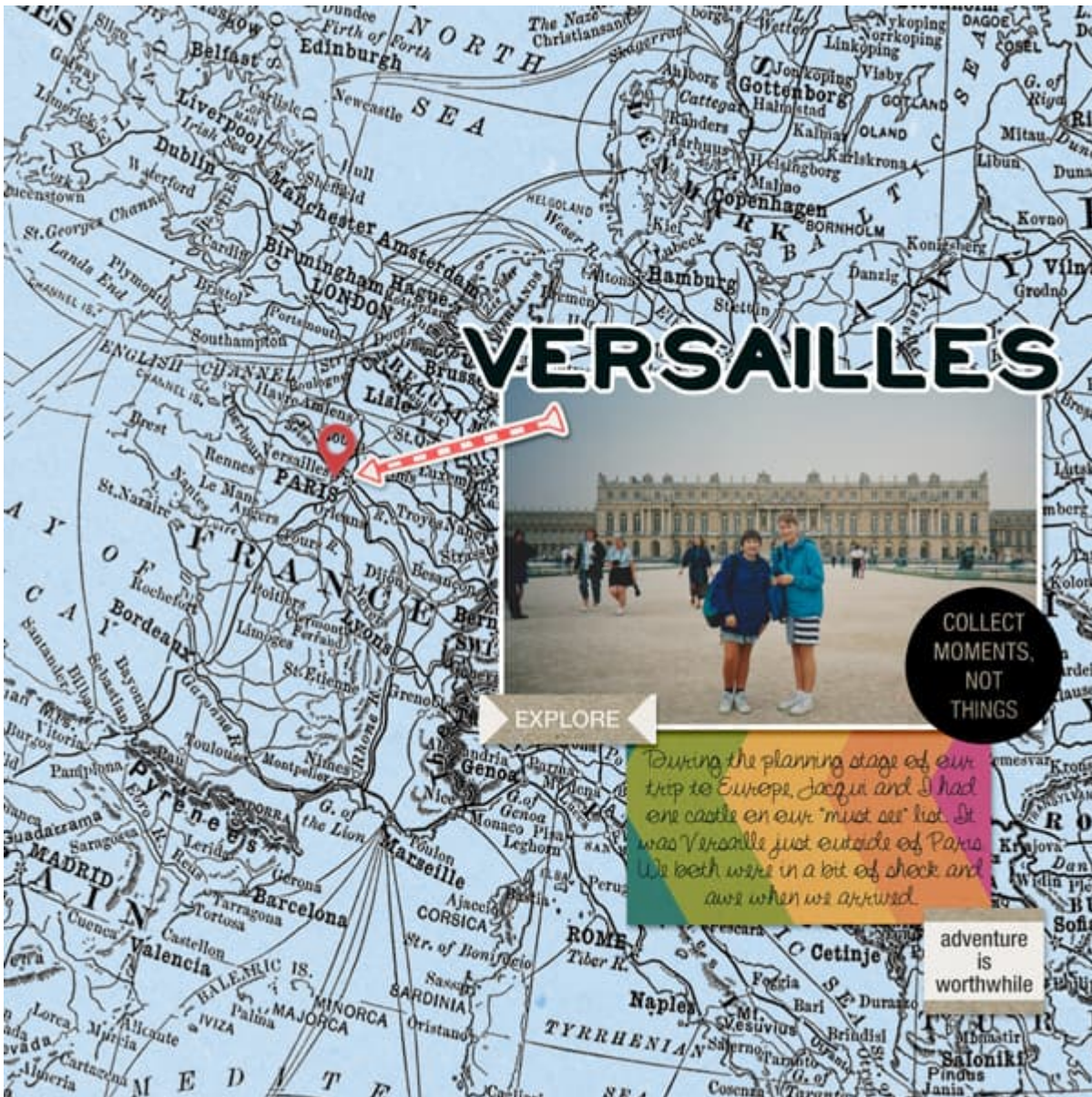


**A specific location to showcase**

If you want to showcase or talk about a specific location you visited or dream of visiting, you can use a general map and point to a city or region. However, if you want to feature a larger area, no need to add a pointer as a whole map would do.







## Just as a background

Even if you don't have a specific location or area to feature, if your project has a "world" theme or a travel theme, you can use a map as a background or as a patterned paper. You don't need to have an exact map so something generic might be enough.

On the road again  
Gain' places that I've never been  
Seen' things that I may never see again  
And I can't wait to get on the road again

On the road again  
Like a band of gypsies we go down the highway  
Were the best of friends  
Insisting that the world keep turning  
our way and our way

Is on the road again  
I just can't wait to get



POSTCARD  
*Planning some trips with grandkids and maybe a place to live while searching for our next permanent location, we bought a new motorhome. Actually a moderate size compared to some we saw, it is huge after the 10 foot A-frame trailer we used to.*

# ON THE ROAD AGAIN

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If you are looking for map papers, check out [this page](#) at DigitalScrapbook or [these vintage world maps](#) from Creative Fabrica.

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