

Best Friends Carry Along

Free Pattern



Fabric Requirements

- ½ yard for Body
- 1 yard for Top, Lining and Handles
- ¼ yard for Flange

Cutting

From Body fabric cut:

- 2 - 12" x 16" rectangles (Body)

From Top, Lining and Handles fabric, cut:

- 2 - 4 ½" x 16" rectangles (Top)
- 2 - 16" x 16" rectangles (Lining)
- 2 - 4" x 21" strips (Handles)

From Flange fabric, cut:

- 2 - 3" x 16" strips (Flange)

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Use ½" seams and press as arrows indicate throughout.

Bag Assembly

With wrong sides together, fold Flange strip in half lengthwise and press.

Make two Folded Flange Strips.



Matching raw edges, layer a Folded Flange Strip on the top of a Body rectangle with the flange fold facing down.

Pin in place.

Make two Flange/Body Units.



With right sides together, layer a Top rectangle with a Flange/Body Unit.

Pin in place.



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Stitch. Press toward the top.

Make two Bag Body Units.



With right sides together, layer the two Bag Body Units together matching seams and Flanges.

Pin in place.

Stitch along the sides and the bottom, leaving the top open.

Make one Bag Body.



With right sides together, layer two Lining rectangles together.

Pin in place.

Stitch along the sides and the bottom, leaving the top open.

Make one Lining.



Fold the bottom corner of the Bag Body so that it creates a triangle. Match the side seam and bottom seam.

Pin in place.

Repeat on the other end.

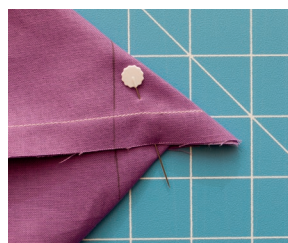
Repeat with Lining.



Using a Frixion pen, draw a line 2" from the pointed end and stitch on the line.

Repeat on the other end.

Repeat with Lining.

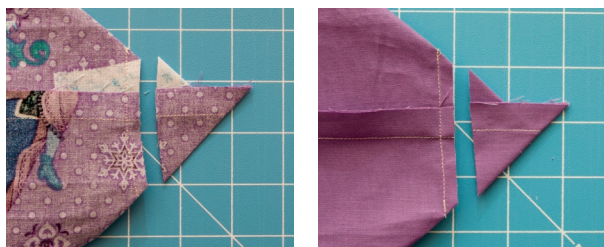


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Trim away each corner leaving a 1/4" seam allowance.

Repeat with Lining.



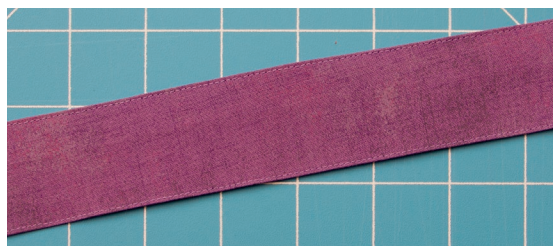
Edge stitch along both long edges using matching thread.

Make two.



Turn the bag right side out and press. To iron the box corners, fold each seam flat and press.

Repeat with Lining.



Handles

Using a Hot Hemmer, fold in 1/2" on both long raw edges of each Handle and press.

Make two.



Matching raw edges, layer a Handle on top of the Bag Body. Position each end of the Handle 3" from the side seams with approximately 5" in between.

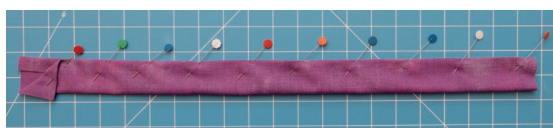
Pin in place and stitch using a scant 1/2" seam.

Repeat on the opposite side.



With wrong sides together and matching the folded edges, fold the Handle in half lengthwise and press.

Make two.



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Turn the Lining wrong side out and slide the Bag Body into the Lining.



Matching raw edges and side seams, pin the Lining and Bag Body together.

Stitch leaving a 3" opening between one of the Handles for turning.



Reach in and pull out the Bag Body from inside the Lining.



Continue pulling the Bag Body until the Lining and Bag Body are right side out.



Push the Lining inside the Bag Body and press the top edge, making sure the seams for the opening are aligned.



Edge Stitch around the entire top edge of the bag.

Enjoy your bag!

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