

MEDIUM SIZED BAG WITH APPLIQUE FAN PATTERN.

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Requirement list

Two contrasting fabrics both 64cm x 32cm

Scrap fabrics for the fan pieces approx. 7" x 4"

Bonding web

Threads/scissors

Sewing Machine

SAFETY FIRST- PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU USE YOUR EQUIPMENT SAFELY

SCISSORS & ROTARY CUTTERS ARE VERY SHARP.

SEWING MACHINES CAN BE DANGEROUS IF NOT USED PROPERLY, NEVER PUT YOUR HANDS NEAR THE NEEDLE WHEN SEWING.

IRONS ARE HOT AND CAN BURN. MAKE SURE AN ADULT IS PRESENT AND AWARE YOU ARE USING POTENTIALLY DANGEROUS ITEMS!!!

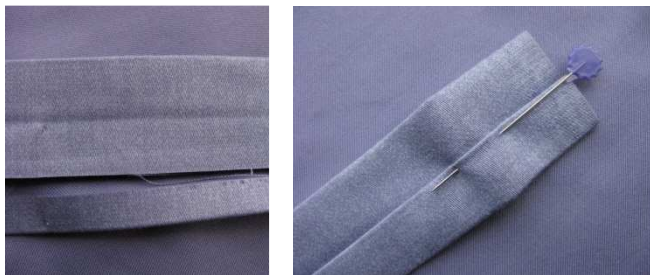
Cut 2- 32cm or (12.1/2") squares of main fabric, these are for the outside of the bag.

Cut 2 –Lengths of the same fabric as above 9cm x 56cm long or (3.1/2" x 22") these form the handles

Cut 2 – 32cm or (12.1/2") squares of contrast fabric, this is for the lining of the bag.

Making the handles

1. Fold 1cm in across the width and press in place all the way down the length and press.



2. Fold the other side in 2cm or (3/4") down the whole length and press. Now fold the 1 cm side over on top of the 2cm piece covering the raw edge, pin.
3. Stitch in the centre on top of the folded fabric, along the whole length of the handle. (Put these to one side they will be used later.)



Applique fan pattern

1. Draw 5 fan shapes onto oblong of bonding web leaving a space round each one.
2. Cut the paper pieces apart leaving an extra piece all the way around each side.
3. Iron bonding web onto your chosen scrap fabrics. Cut out on the line.
4. Peel off backing paper from the fan pieces and place them bonded side down next to you.
5. Using the bag front, fold it in half and crease on the fold.
6. Measure 6 cm (2.1/2") down from top edge in the centre.
7. Place the fan piece for the middle of the fan 6cm (2.1/2") down from the top of the bag front making sure the centre of the first fan piece is in line with the top pin and bottom pin.
8. Press it into place with an iron. **MAKE SURE AN ADULT IS PRESENT AND AWARE YOU ARE USING AN IRON.**



9. Take next 2 fan pieces and place them slightly on top of the previous piece this is going to make it easier to sew them into place. Press them using the iron.
10. Take final 2 fan pieces and place the slightly on top of the previous piece this is going to make it easier to sew them into place. Press them using the iron.
11. To sew the fan onto the bag front, you can either use decorative hand embroidery stitches (you will find some on the website) or fancy stitches on the sewing machine.
12. Sew on top of the joins on the fan where the 2 different fabrics overlap.

13. Using an embroidery thread, sew a blanket stitch around the top edge of the fan and another around the bottom edge of the fan.



14. At the bottom of each of the outside fan pieces either sew a strip of ribbon or bond it in place using bonding web to form a cross at the bottom of the fan. See picture left. (Alternatively you could use an embroidery stitch to form the cross pieces.)

Handle placement

15. Measure 6cm (2.1/2") from the crease at the top of the bag front and position one handle end, wrong side facing up, pin in place.
16. Measure 6cm (2.1/2") from the other side of the crease, loop



handle to the other side of the bag front and pin in place.
Sew the handle in place.

17. Repeat with the handle for the back of the bag.

18. Place the bag front face up on your work top, lay the lining fabric face down on top, pin in place across the top of the bag.

19. Stitch together across the top only.

20. Repeat with the lining for the back of the bag.

21. Open out and press.

22. Place bag front face up with bag front at the bottom and lining at the top.

23. Place other piece face down on top, make sure bag front and back are on top of one another and lining is also paired. Pin in place

24. Stitch across the bottom of the bag.

25. Stitch along both sides.

26. Turn inside out.

27. Fold lining in at the top and stitch close to the edge.

28. Push the lining fabric inside the bag and your bag is ready to use.

