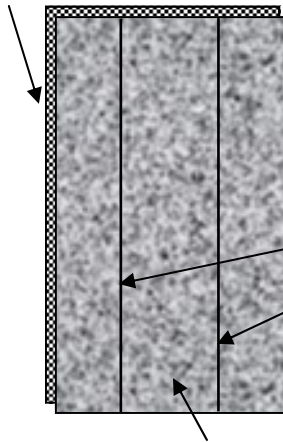


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These are **GENERAL** instructions to show how they are made. A more detailed PDF with specific cutting instructions and supply list will be provided with all orders.

Soft & Stable underneath



Print fabric centered on top

**1. Prepare Tote Fabric:**

Place print fabric evenly over the Soft & stable. Flip fabric up along the edges and run a small bead of Elmers white school glue on the edge of the soft & stable. Smooth fabric back down. Iron so glue fuses fabric and soft & stable together at the edges.

**2. Top Stitch tote ensemble:**

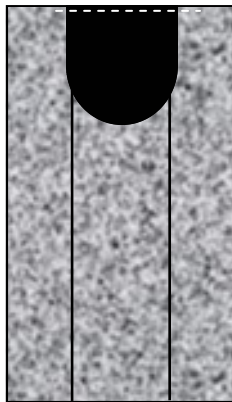
**Measure in from each side as follows:**

Small: 3" in from each side

Medium: 3 1/2" in from each side

Large: 4" in from each side.

With chalk marker and straight edge ruler, mark lines down entire length of tote ensemble, top stitch along the marked lines.



**3. Add Top Flap (embroidered):**

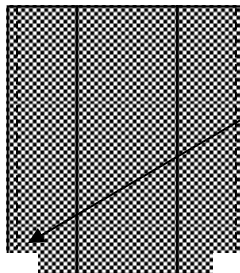
Mark a short line centered at one end of tote ensemble. Mark center on wrong side of embroidered top flap as well.

Pin flap (wrong side up) centered over mark on tote. Stitch flap to tote with 1/4" seam.

**Add snap or velcro to other end as instructed in text file provided with your set.**

**4. Cut outs for boxed bottom:**

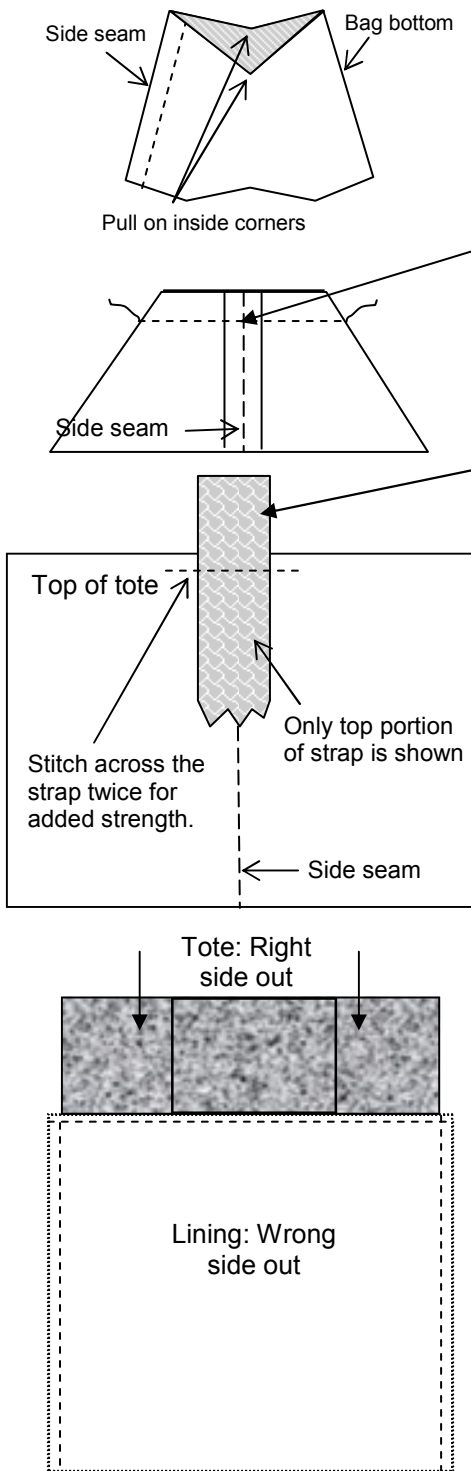
Next, fold fabric ensemble in half (wrong side out) lengthwise, pin evenly at top. Use index card corner pattern (prepared earlier) to trim the fabric to create a boxed bottom later. (keep pattern even with bottom fold & sides). (Repeat steps on lining as well)



**5. Stitch sides:**

With fabric folded in half lengthwise & wrong side out, pin & stitch sides together with 3/8" seam. Press seams open. (repeat steps on lining as well)

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**6. Create boxed bottom:**

Separate the bottom corners by pulling on cut outs until side seam is centered over bottom fold.

The illustration at left shows how the cut outs look after they have been pulled from the inside corners.

Hold side seams open flat & pin to bottom fold to form straight edge. Stitch across edge with 3/8" seam twice for added strength.

Repeat these steps to create the flat bottom on the lining as well.

(Cut end of strap extends past top of tote)

Turn tote RIGHT side out. Center ends of shoulder strap over side seams with 1" of strap extending past top edge of tote. Stitch strap to tote with 1/4" seam (make 2 passes to add strength).

**7. Prepare Lining:**

Trim corners at bottom same as tote. Stitch sides together with 3/8 seam but on 1 side, mark short line 1 1/2" from the top & bottom. Use longer basting stitch inside marks on the one side. Press side seams open. Remove basting stitches to create opening for turning later. Pin & stitch cutouts same as tote to form the boxed bottom. Leave lining wrong side out.

Place tote ensemble (right side facing) inside lining (wrong side out). Center side seams & pin tote and lining edges evenly around the top. Stitch together with 3/8" seam.

Pull tote out through opening in lining. Pin top so that tote and lining seam is the very top of tote. Top stitch around top 3/8" from edge and then top stitch again 3/8" down from the first row.

Slip bottom support (plastic canvas) inside opening in lining centered at the bottom.

Stitch opening in lining closed. You're finished!