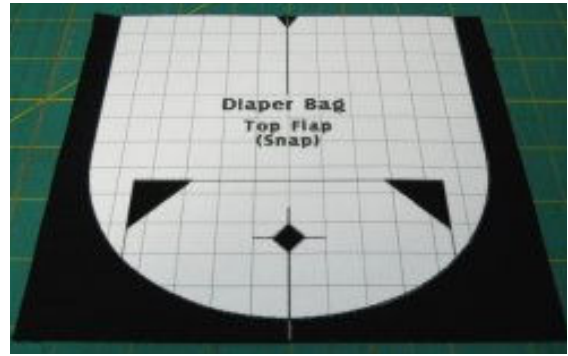


Diaper Bags

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First!! Open the “Diaper Bag Supplies” text file for supplies & pattern instructions. Text files for diaper bags include instructions for both magnetic snap and velcro closures. For 7” wide hoops, bag side designs are combined to be made in just 1 hooping. For 7” wide hoops the top flap lining is added to flap while in the hoop as well. (not shown in the instructions below)

Cut fabric & soft & stable to sizes indicated in the supplies list. Print and cut out the top flap and sides patterns on card stock. You will also need an Elmer’s or Scotch glue stick..



1. Top Flap – On right side of solid fabric, rub glue stick on edge of sides & bottom (no glue at top). Center print fabric on top, iron to set. Mark center at top & bottom (7” sides).

2. On WRONG side of top flap lining, mark center at top & bottom (7” sides). Center pattern on top with tops & center marks even. Trace pattern outline and the triangles.



3. Center fusible interfacing inside triangles, iron to fuse.

4. Center pattern on top again and mark a small “cross” inside small diamond cutout (for magnetic snap placement)



5. TOP FLAP - Stitch placement lines on stabilizer. Spray stabilizer with temp adhesive spray. Center prepared fabric (top edge not glued at top) inside the top & bottom of the placement lines, center marks even. Stitch first outline. Trim fabric from center to reveal fabric underneath.

6. Continue stitching design following instructions in text files provided. Remove from hoop, trim stabilizer even with top of flap & along border of design.



7. Center soft & stable under design piece. Center lining (wrong side up) on top keeping tops & center marks even. Pin together at sides & bottom.



8. Sew to flap ensemble together by stitching directly over traced pattern outline. DO NOT stitch top closed.



9. Trim sides & bottom with pinking shears leaving a 1/4" seam allowance. Install snap through top opening.



10. Turn flap right side out, press. Top stitch around edge of flap with 3/8" seam.



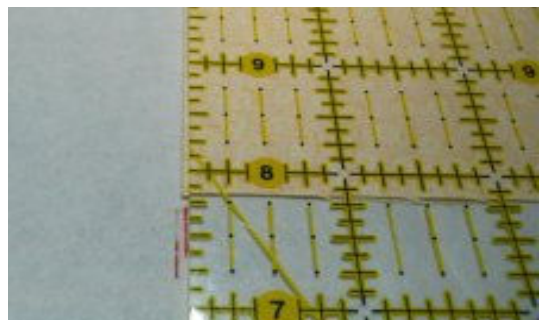
11. FRONT POCKET – Stitch placement lines on stabilizer. Spray stabilizer with temp adhesive spray. Center 6" edge of fabric inside placement line.



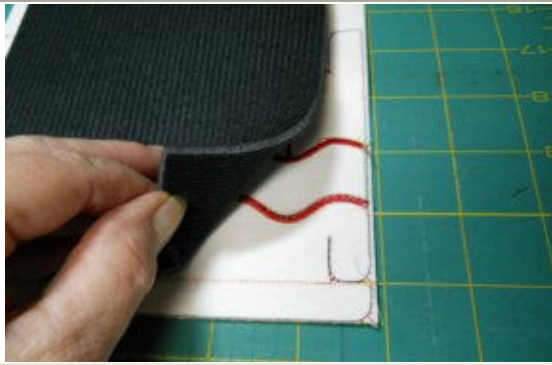
12. Continue stitching design on pocket following instructions in text files provided. .



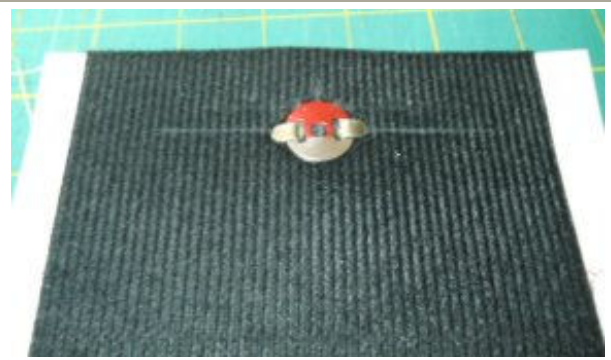
13. Flip opposite end of fabric up & over fabric in hoop keeping ends even. Tape corners. Last step stitches edge of pocket closed. Remove from hoop.



14. On pocket top fold, mark lines on stabilizer a tad shorter than edge. Flip fabric up, trim at marks to avoid cutting into fabric. Trim rest of stabilizer even with sides & bottom.



15. Rub glue stick on edge of soft & stable. Center on stabilizer side of pocket inside inner placement lines keeping bottom even with stitched seam.



16. On soft & stable side, mark a cross 1" from top of pocket centered. Center snap "washer" over cross & trace washer slits. Cut slits into front fabric & soft & stable, install snap. Flip pocket to right side, top stitch top edge.

Next, Make the bag side pockets using steps 11-15 again. Or, make side pockets (no designs) using print fabric instead.



17. BAG FRONT – On soft & stable, mark vertical lines 5" in from both sides. Next, mark short lines to outside of marked lines 3" down from top. Rub glue stick on inside edge of the marked vertical lines.



18. Center fabric on top. Iron to set the glue.



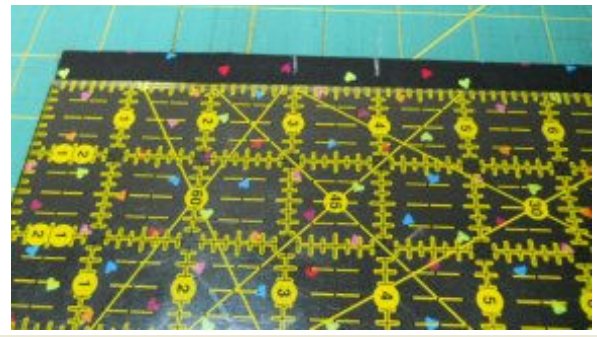
19. Center front pocket over center fabric 3" from the top centered. Pin & stitch bottom of pocket to bag front.



20. Place fabric (wrong side up) even with edge of center fabric & pin. Secure with 1/2" seam. Repeat on other side. Top stitch both seams.



23. Lift fabric out of the way & rub glue stick on edge of soft & stable, lay fabric flat again & iron to set. Top stitch both seams with 3/8" seam.



24. BAG BACK – Rub glue stick on edge of soft & stable. Center fabric on top, iron to set. Mark short lines at the top 3" & 4" from each side (for shoulder strap placement). Mark short line in the center (for top flap placement).



25. Pin shoulder straps to back of bag back inside 3" x 4" marks. 1" of strap ends should extend above top of bag. Repeat on bag front.



26. Center top flap (wrong side up on back of bag & pin. Stitch across top of bag with 1/4" seam catching the flap and the straps at the same time. Add straps to bag front.



27. BAG SIDES – Mark a line 1 3/4" down from top on both side pieces of soft & stable. Fold draw string sleeves in half to 2" x 3", iron to crease. Use glue stick inside to set.



28. Use glue stick under marked line, center draw string base fabric under line, iron to set. Next, center the folded sleeves on each end (folds to center) & pin.



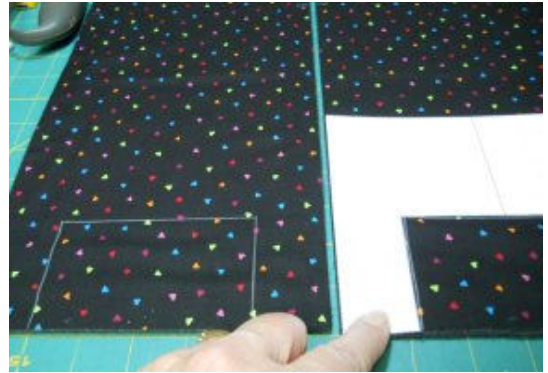
29. Center short "sides" fabric (wrong side up) at top edge of sleeve fabric and pin. Stitch in place with 3/8" seam.



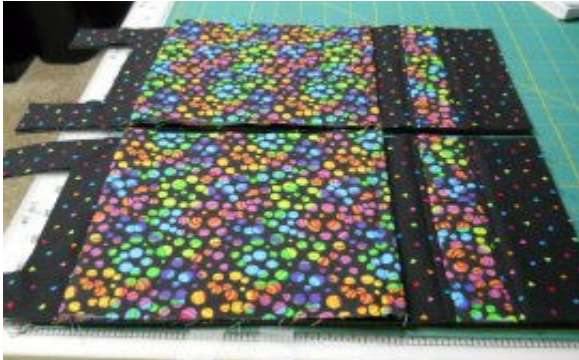
30. Center long "sides" fabric at bottom edge of sleeve fabric and pin. Stitch in place with 3/8" seam.



31. Rub glue stick on edge of soft & stable, smooth top & bottom fabrics down, iron to set. Top stitch seams.



32. Place "sides" pattern at bottom & trace cutout. Cut away fabric inside the traced cutouts.



33. Pin pockets to sides 4 1/2" down from top. I used print fabric pockets but use side pockets with designs if you prefer. See instructions for print pockets in text files.



34. Insert ribbon through sleeves & pin at sides. Pull ribbon up in center, tuck into pocket, pin. Stitch down each side & across pocket bottom to secure everything at one time.



35. Pin bag side to front of bag & secure with 3/8" seam. Repeat on other side.



36. Pin bag back to bag sides, secure with 3/8" seam.



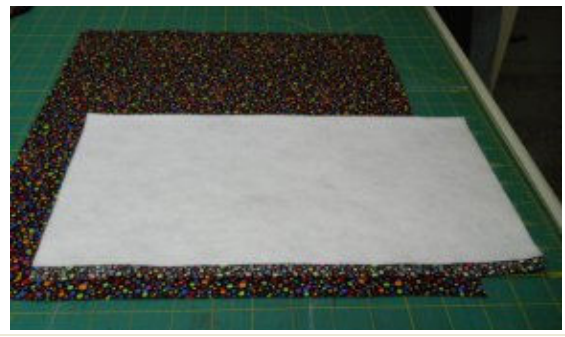
37. Pin bottoms together with seams open and flat. Stitch bottom together with 3/8" seam.



38. Fold & pin corner cutouts to form a straight edge. Stitch closed with 3/8" seams.



40. BAG LINING - On lining sides, use the "sides" pattern again to trace cutout and trim the cutout away.



41. Lining pockets. Fold fabric in half, add fusible fleece to one side. Stitch long edge with 3/8" seam. Turn right side out, press, top stitch. Mark a center line on each pocket.



42. Pin pocket to lining 4 1/2" down from top. Stitch sides & bottom, stitch double seam in center to create 2 pockets.



43. Stitch lining sides to front & back same as bag. Pin bottoms together. Mark lines 3" in from sides. Stitch the bottom closed, using long basting stitch inside 3" marks.



44. Press bottom seam open & flat. Fold & pin corner cutouts to form a straight edge & stitch closed with 3/8" seams. Remove basting stitches to create opening.



45. Slip bag (right side out) into lining (wrong side out) & pin around top (keep seams centered over each other).



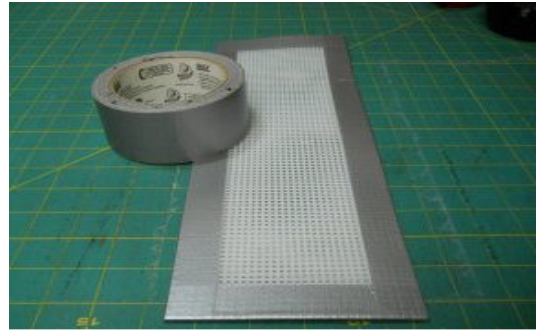
46. Stitch around top of bag with 1/2" seam.



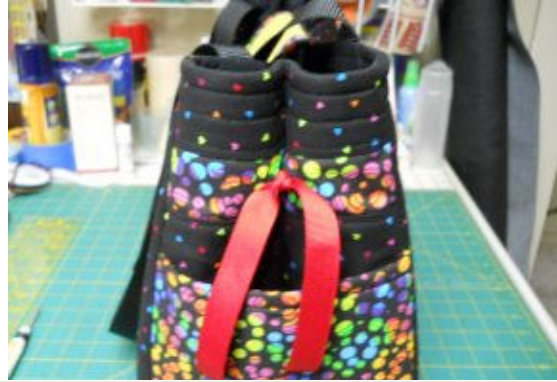
47. Turn bag right side out through opening in lining.



48. Pin top evenly, top stitch with 3/8" seam, top stitch again 1/2" below first seam to secure shoulder straps twice.



49. Stack 2 pcs plastic canvas, tape edges. Slip canvas through lining opening at bottom. Stitch opening closed.



50. Cut ribbon in half. Fold center of bag sides to the inside until draw string sleeves meet in the center outside. Tie ribbons to secure the center fold. Cut ribbon ends at angle & use a lighter to singe the ends to prevent fraying.



51. The draw string ribbon cinches the bag sides at the top to make pockets more open at the top. Great for storing baby bottles since the soft & stable insulates the bag! You're finished!