

Bag Making Techniques
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Supply List

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Materials

1 Yard cotton fabric (or lightweight canvas) for the main, public facing side of your bags
This makes a matching set of 4 bags. If you don't need them to match, wait until the cutting instructions are sent to choose your main fabrics.

7" x 13" cotton fabric for the back of bag 2 – This will show on the back of the bag.

1 Yard cotton Fabric for the linings

Threads to match the main fabric and the lining fabric.

Soft & Stable batting (the foam kind) Approx. 33" x 17"

Other batting can be used, but the bags will have less stability. (If you use 'other' batting, you'll need a piece of backing fabric 33" x 17" which will not show on the outside of any of the bags.

Medium wt. Fusible Interfacing, 10 ¼ by 8"

Zippers to match chosen fabrics, 7", 9" 14" and 1 more 14" if you wish to have your tote bag zip closed. If using nylon zippers, any of the zippers can be longer than the specified measurement, but not shorter.

Optional - 36" 3/8" plastic tubing (to stabilize the handles on the tote bag)

Basic Sewing Supplies

Sewing Machine in good working order, able to sew through 2 layers of the foam and 2-4 layers of cotton fabric

Size 14 needle(s)

Chalk Marker

Pencil

Sewing/Binding clips

Sturdy Pins

Rotary cutter and Mat

Rulers: 6" x 24", 8 or more inches square, and one smaller ruler as desired

Sharp Scissors capable of trimming seam allowances and snipping curves

Scissors for cutting paper

Paper and Pen/Pencil for taking notes.