

Quiltsmart Midi/Mondo Bag

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Supply List

1 Quiltsmart Bitty Bag Panel and pattern

2½" squares: See pattern

Fabric for handles: two 2 ½" strips, width of Fabric (WOF)

Fabric for bag lining and handle lining: see pattern

Fusible Fleece: See pattern

Rotary cutter, ruler and mat

Applique Pressing sheet

Iron

Fast turn or tube-turning tool

Fabric marker (air-erase or water washable)

Sewing machine: clean, oiled and in good working condition

Construction Thread, and Topstitching Thread (optional)

Universal presser foot

Edgestitch presser foot

Extra needles, Bobbin, Basic sewing supplies: Scissors, pins, seam ripper, Hand sewing needle and thread, paper, pencil

Homework to be completed before class:

Read through the entire pattern to familiarize yourself with the process

Cut and press your 2½" squares (see pattern for quantity)

Cut out all the Quiltsmart pieces for your bag, keep all the pieces (and scraps) in a Ziploc bag or envelope

Test your quarter inch seam: using the sewing machine presser foot and thread you plan to use for this project, stitch a sample of a $\frac{1}{4}$ ". Measure the seam allowance. If it is a true $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam, make a note of the foot you used and how you guided the fabric through the machine to get that $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam. If you want it to be a little narrower or wider, make adjustments until you get the desired seam allowance and write down what you did. Stitch all 4 panels using the same machine. Using a different machine can result in panels that are considerably different in size.

Note:

While some students have finished their Mondo Bag in class, most ran out of time. It's much more likely that you will be able to finish the Midi Bag during class. The bags are both constructed the same way. Once you see how the bag goes together, subsequent bags will be much easier.