



Sewing Machine Class

Quilted Cutter Case

This simple quilted case is the perfect way to carry scissors and rotary cutters to classes. The zippered opening runs the entire length of the bag, making it easy to get in and out. Learn the basics of your machine (threading, stitches, needle positions, presser feet use, etc.) while creating this useful zippered bag.

Supplies

2 coordinating fat quarters

- One for the body
- One for the lining & flaps

Low-loft batting, approximately 12" x 9"

Thread for decorative stitching, quilting and construction (can be the same)

Strip of tear-away stabilizer, about 1 yard x 4" wide

One 16"-18" zipper

Two 1" flat buttons

1 yard of %"- 1/2" wide ribbon

Tear-away stabilizer

101 Quilt Basting Spray (optional)

Presser Feet:

- Patchwork Foot #37
- Buttonhole Foot #3/3A
- Edgestitch Foot #10/10C
- Button Sew-on Foot #18
- Darning Foot #9, Quilting Foot #29, or the BERNINA® Stitch Regulator #42
- Open Embroidery Foot #20/20C or Clear Embroidery Foot #39/39C
- Overlock Foot #2/2A
- Zipper Foot #4



Approximate size: 10" x 21/2" x 3"

Cutting and Preparation

- Cut two 13" x 5½" rectangles from each fat quarter (total of 4: 2 bag and 2 lining).
- Cut two 3½" squares from the lining fabric.
- Cut two 12" x 4½" rectangle and one 3½" square from batting.

Decorative Flaps

Place the two 3" squares right sides together, then place the batting square on the wrong side of one square. Stitch along *all* sides using a 1/4" seam allowance and Patchwork Foot #37.

Cut the square through all layers across the diagonal, creating two

triangles. Trim the points, then turn and press the flaps.

Using Edgestitch Foot #10/10C, edgestitch the seamed edges with a straight stitch; adjust the needle position as needed to place the stitch along the edge.

Using Buttonhole Foot #3/3A, stitch a buttonhole in the point of each tab as shown.

Set tabs aside.







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Quilted Body

Make a "quilt sandwich" with two of the fabric rectangles (1 bag, 1 lining) and the batting (fabric right sides out and batting in the middle), centering the batting on the fabric so there is about ½" of fabric extending beyond the batting. Pin or use basting spray to bond the layers together, if desired.

Attach Reverse
Pattern Foot #1 to
the machine and
insert the Quilting/
Seam guide into the
back of the foot. Set
the guide 1½" from
needle. Channel
quilt the fabric,
aligning the guide
with the previously



sewn line of stitching as shown.

Embellished Ribbon

Attach Open Embroidery Foot #20/20C or Clear Embroidery Foot #39/39C to the machine and raise the feed dog, if needed. Place the ribbon on a strip of stabilizer using spray adhesive to hold it in place if needed.

Select a decorative stitch (or put a combination of stitches into the memory of the machine) and sew down the center of the ribbon. *Tip: To make sure*

you sew straight down the center, attach the quilting/ seam guide to the back of the foot and adjust it to align with one edge of the ribbon (with the needle in the center of the ribbon). Keep the guide aligned



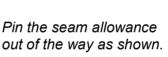
with the edge while sewing.

After completing the stitching, remove the stabilizer; press the ribbon. Set it aside.

Zippered Opening

Open the zipper and center it right side down on one edge of the wrong side of the bag. Note: The zipper will extend beyond the fabric about 1"-2" at each end.

Using Zipper Foot #4 and an adjusted needle position (far right or left as needed), sew the zipper tape to the edge of the bag. Note: This will leave the seam allowance showing on the outside of the bag. Press if flat and trim to about 1/4".



Repeat with the other side of the bag and the opposite side of the zipper tape.



Attach Clear Embroidery Foot #39/39C or Open Embroidery Foot #20/20C.

Cut 13" - 14" of the stitched ribbon and position it over the trimmed seam allowance, pinning it in place. Note: Position the ribbon about 1/8" from the folded back edge of the seam allowance. This allows room the presser foot and gives the look of a piped edge.

Slip one of the decorative flaps under the edge of the ribbon, positioning it about 3" - 4" from one end.

Stitch the edges of the ribbon in place using the blanket stitch, securing flap in the process. Repeat for the opposite of the zipper.

Stitch a zigzag in place at the bottom of the zipper near the lower edge of the fabric.

Partially unzip the zipper and trim the edges even with the fabric. The case should now look like the photo on the following page.





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Decorative Buttons

Using Button Sew-On Foot #18, sew the two buttons in place to correspond with the buttonholes in the flaps



Fold it flat with the zipper in the center, aligned with the bottom seam of the bag. Using the template provided, cut the corners as shown. Note: To change the finished size of the bag slightly (deeper, wider, etc.). increase or decrease the size of the square template.



corner template

actual size of template

Assembly

Fold the bag right sides together (lining side out) and stitch the bottom seam using a ¼" seam allowance and Patchwork Foot #37.

Change to Overlock Foot #2/2A and select an overcast stitch. Finish the seam by overcasting the raw edge of the fabric.

Turn the bag right side out through the zipper opening.



Turn bag wrong side out again through the zipper opening.

Stitch across each end using a ¼" seam allowance and Patchwork Foot #37. Change to Overlock Foot #2/2A and select an overcast stitch. Finish the seams by overcasting the raw edge of the fabric.

Fold the corner openings to form boxed corners. Stitch the seams using a ½" seam allowance and Patchwork Foot #37. Change to Overlock Foot #2/2A and select an overcast stitch again. Finish the seams by overcasting the raw edge of the fabric.

Turn to the right side through the zipper opening.

For additional techniques using BERNINA presser feet and accessories, see *Feet-ures Volumes 1, 2 & 3.*