

**Class Supply List Vinyl Mesh Tote Tote Bag
(two versions - custom sizes) and a Standup Mesh Zip Bag**

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Date: Saturday, May 22 - Class starts at 10:30. Come earlier to set up.

Note: Masks are required in the classroom.

Description: A sturdy see through tote bag made of a polyester vinyl screen material that you can customize. It has six handy outside pockets. Great for pools, beaches, shopping, etc. Another version is offered with a zippered outside pocket. Also included is a flat bottom standup mesh zip bag to accessorize it using your leftover mesh.

Pattern: Tote It ScreenPlay VI

The pattern we will follow is Tote It ScreenPlay VI, a Nancy Ota pattern. You can purchase this pattern but it is not necessary that you have it. You will get instructions on the many ways you can customize it by changing the dimensions, adding trim or faux piping.

Supply List:

Polyester vinyl coated mesh.

Vinyl Mesh now at Bernina in many colors. 18" x 36"

If you choose to make a large size you need mesh that is 36" to 54" wide. One yard is needed. Find it at: www.onlinefabricstore.net. It's offered in many different colors, and it is 54"wide.

<https://www.onlinefabricstore.net/phifertex-standard-solids-royal-blue-fabric-.htm>

If you choose vinyl mesh that is 18" wide, you will also need one yard, and it will make a medium size tote bag.

Polyester Webbing for Straps

4 yards of 1" wide. Polyester is softer to the touch than polypropylene.

A cotton webbing would absorb water if you are using this outdoors.

Look at Etsy or www.strapworks.com for strapping.

Home decor or indoor/outdoor fabric

1/2 to 5/8 yard is needed. This is for the outer pockets and top panel.

Fabrics that are water and mildew resistant are a good choice.

A good choice is waterproof canvas. (Lining is not needed if using waterproof canvas).

Cotton or synthetic fabric for lining and binding

1/2 to 5/8 yard for lining

1 strip of fabric 4" x wof is needed for binding side seams

Shapeflex: 1/2 yard - to add structure to pocket panels

Optional Trim: For example: a contrasting fabric for the upper panel will require about a 4" strip x width of fabric. Or, use a fusible applique, add buttons, ribbon or large rick rack. Add an embroidery design. Try variegated thread. Have fun and be creative.

Thread: Use a polyester thread and select colors to match the pocket panels and the vinyl mesh screen. Think of thread weight for top stitching. The higher the thread weight number, the thinner the thread.

Needle: 90/14 and/or a top stitching needle.

Presser Feet: All purpose foot for sewing straight and zigzag stitches. A walking foot and a teflon foot is useful.

Zipper foot - it's needed to sew the boxed corners

Other Supplies:

Double side adhesive tape - to hold straps in place

Large flat head pins - Dritz is a good choice

Wonder Clips - any size - jumbo size is you have them

Fabric glue stick

6" x 24" ruler - or a 6" x 12" will do

Small size rulers such as 2-1/2" x 12-1/2" or a 3 or 4" square.

Marking pens or chalk

Hot hemmer - very helpful when ironing next to the mesh screen

Cutting mat and rotary cutting tool

Portable iron and ironing mat

Optional: bias tape maker and mesh plastic canvas sheet for added bottom support (look for plastic canvas sheet at Hobby Lobby)

Option to make a standup mesh accessory bag: A medium size will require a 12" or longer zipper and a 8" x 18" vinyl mesh piece.

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