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Amethyst Project Bag

Short Description: A terrific sized bag to carry your project to class, to a retreat or just to store within your sewing room.

Long Description: This bag features ample storage space for any project or hobby—quilting, drawing, hand sewing or so much more! The lining features a zippered pouch, mesh zippered pocket and elastic for holding pens or other items. The bottom of the case has an elastic buckle strap to hold quilt blocks, books, and rulers.

Finished size: 14" long x 13" high x 3" deep

Dates & Times: Tuesday August 21, 2018 10:30am – 2:30pm
Wednesday August 22, 2018 10:30am – 3:30pm

Pattern—Amethyst Project Bag by Sew Sweetness

Pattern, mesh, 14" zippers, 40" double pull zippers, elastic & fabrics can be purchased at Gigi's Fabric Shop.

You will be responsible for purchasing the parachute buckle on your own.

Materials Needed (as written on the pattern)

Exterior Panels	¾ yard
Lining Fabric	1 yard
Soft and Stable	½ yard
Fusible Woven Interfacing Pellon SF 101 – 20" wide	2 yards
Peltex 71F	1 ½ yards ** see note below** (start with 1 yard)
40" Handbag double pull zipper	
9" and 14" (or 2 – 14") zippers	

Other Materials:

Package of mesh (piece 14 ½" x 5")

½ yard ¼" elastic

1 yard of 1" wide elastic (fold over elastic) ****I didn't use this.

1- plastic side-release/parachute buckle (it should be able to accommodate 1" wide strap)

Supplies Needed for Day of Class:

- Sewing machine with appropriate thread, zipper foot, walking foot
- Size 14 or 16 denim or Microtex needle

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- Pins, rotary cutter, rulers (6 ½ x 12 is a useful size), cutting mat for personal use
- Pencil, chalk, water soluble pen or thin marker to mark with
- Wonder clips
- X-Press It double-sided tape or ¼” Steam-a-Seam (very helpful with installing zippers)
- Pressing cloth

All classes are supported by fabric purchases at Gigi’s. A 10% discount will be provided for all class materials. Please do not bring in fabrics purchased outside of Gigi’s. This is how we keep our doors open. We appreciate your support.

HOMEWORK...It is recommended to complete this before the day of the class to help ensure you finish the Amethyst Project bag the day of the class. There may be additional work in between in necessary.

You will be cutting out all the pieces needed and fusing the interfacings to the corresponding fabric before class begins. As you cut each piece, pin a label to the fabric. Hint: write the interfacing/size used on the label that corresponds with the fabric piece. Trace the pattern piece for the Corner onto freezer paper. This will make it easier to transfer onto the fabric later when you need to. You can iron the freezer paper onto the fabric. You may wish to number the pages on your pattern to make it easier to follow your pre-work instructions. Cutting instructions is page 1.

You will be learning how to measure and cut fabrics & stabilizers, install zippers, sew with mesh by making a mesh zippered pocket, sew with elastic, and install side release buckle/parachute to the bottom of the bag, sew around curves and continue to develop your skills of reading patterns.

Read through the directions on the pattern to familiarize yourself with the information.

The table below will assist in the cutting instructions and the corresponding interfacings.

Cutting Instructions—Fabric & Interfacings: (PAGE 1)

(all cutting measurements are width x height)

It is recommended that you cut your fabric pieces in the order listed so that you will have plenty of fabric for the bag. If you plan to quilt your exterior pieces to interface, I recommend rough cutting them approximately 1” larger to account for shrinkage when machine quilting.

From Exterior Fabric:	Size:	Interfacing & Size:
(1) Front Panel	40 ½” x 3 ½”	Foam (1) 40 ½” x 3 ½”
(2) Main Panel	14 ½” x 13 ½”	Foam (2) 14 ½” x 13 ½”
(1) Back Panel	11 ½” x 3 ½”	Foam (1) 11 ½” x 3 ½”
(2) Handle	15” x 4”	SF101 (2) 15” x 4”
(1) Zipper Tab	11 ½” x 1 ¼”	SF101 (1) 11 ½” x 1 ¼”
From Foam Interfacing		
(1) Foam Insert		10 ¼” x 1”

From Lining Fabric:		
(1) Front Panel	40 ½" x 3 ½"	SF101 (1) 40 ½" x 3 ½"
(2) Main Panel	14 ½" x 13 ½"	SF101 (2) 14 ½" x 13 ½"
(1) Back Panel	11 ½" x 3 ½"	SF101 (1) 11 ½" x 3 ½"
(2) Pouch A	8" x 2"	SF101 (2) 8" x 2"
(2) Pouch B	8" x 4 ¼"	SF101 (2) 8" x 4 ¼"
(2) Pouch C	8" x 6"	SF101 (2) 8" x 6"
(1) Zipper Tab	11 ½" x 1 ¼"	SF101 (1) 11 ½" x 1 ¼"
(3) Binding	14 ½" x 2 ¼"	
From the Peltex		
(2) *not 4 Main Panel	12 ½" x 13 ½"	*explanation to be given in class* I cut & used only 2 pieces.
(1) Back Panel	10 ½" x 2 ½"	
From the Mesh		
(1) mesh	14 ½" x 5"	

Let's start at the bottom of page 1:

Make a template of the corner on freezer paper. As you read through the directions, round the corners of the pieces.

Page 2: Attach the Interfacing: Follow the directions for steps 1 – 3.

Bring with you all your pieces and any extra fabric/stabilizers as well to class with you.

We will begin on page 3 with step 4 Make the Zipper Pouch.

If you have any questions about the directions in the book or my instructions, do not hesitate to contact me at maryquilts913@gmail.com . I will be happy to give you a call and assist you over the phone or by email.

Enjoy, Mary

* Doors open 15 minutes prior to class.

* Do you need to rent a machine? Please call the shop and let us know at least 24 hours prior.