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## Campfire Messenger Bag

Short Description: A perfect size messenger bag for everyday!!!

Long Description: Get organized with this classic styled messenger bag. There are ample pockets and space for everyday use.

Special features:

- Feature your favorite print on the Flap
- Adjustable strap
- Zippered, pleated and slip pockets
- Optional top zipper closure
- Hardware flap closure, plus **two** alternate closure options!

Skill Level: Confident Beginner/Intermediate

Finished size: 9 ½" wide x 11 ½" high x 2 ½" deep at the base

**Pattern—Campfire Messenger Bag by Noodlehead**

**Pattern, zippers, hardware parts & fabrics can be purchased at Gigi's Fabric Shop.**

**Supplies are written on the back of the pattern.**

### Other Materials:

X-Press It double-sided tape or ¼" Steam-a-Seam (very helpful with installing zippers)

### Additional Notes:

**\*\*Snap Setting tool** will be available for use during class time. There will be a small fee to purchase the 24 metal snaps from the instructor. Other tools will be available for use.

**\*\*More Closure Ideas:** found on page 5 in the top left column.

**\*\*I did not put in the recessed zipper in the top closure; thus a 12" zipper was NOT necessary.**

Supplies Needed for Day of Class:

- Sewing machine with appropriate thread, zipper foot, walking foot, other feet
- Size 14 or 16 denim or Microtex needle
- Pins, rotary cutter, rulers (6 ½ x 12 is a useful size), cutting mat for personal use
- Turning tool, 1-6" piece of hook and loop tape (Velcro) (used on back pocket exterior & possibly as a closure option)
- Pencil, frixion pen to mark with
- Chalk to mark lines
- Wonder clips
- Additional (optional) supplies are suggested on page 1 of the pattern

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All classes are supported by fabric purchases at Gigi's. A 10% discount will be provided for all class materials. This is how we keep our doors open. We appreciate your support.

This is an all-day class. Feel free to bring something to eat and drink while you work on your project.

**HOMEWORK**....It is recommended to complete this before the day of the class to help ensure you finish the Campfire Messenger Bag the day of the class.

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. Trace the pattern pieces for the flap and the gusset onto freezer paper. This will make it easier to transfer onto the fabric. You can iron the freezer paper onto the fabric. Then cut out the pattern piece. Trace the pattern pieces onto the interfacing (SF101) with a thin marker before cutting out these pieces with scissors.

You will be learning how to measure and cut fabrics & interfacing, install a zipper and a variety of purse hardware, sew around curves, and continue to develop your skills of reading patterns.

**READ** through the directions on the pattern and my directions to familiarize yourself with the information **before you begin cutting**.

**Begin on pages 3-4 of the pattern with the assembly tips, cutting instructions & suggested cutting layouts. The table below will assist in the cutting instructions and the corresponding interfacings.**

**Cutting Instructions—Fabric & Interfacings:**

(all cutting measurements are height x width)

<b>From Exterior Fabric:</b>	<b>Size:</b>	<b>Interfacing &amp; Size:</b>
(2) Main	12 x 10 ½	(2) Fusible Fleece/Soft & Stable 12 x 10 ½
(2) Gusset	Pattern piece	(2) SF101
(1) Pleated Pocket	8 ½ x 16 ½	(1) SF101 8 ½ x 16 ½
(1) Back Pocket	8 ½ x 10 ½	(1) SF101 8 ½ x 10 ½
<b>From Lining Fabric:</b>		
(2) Main	12 x 10 ½	
(2) Gusset	Pattern piece	(2) SF101
(1) Flap	Pattern piece	(1) SF101
(1) Pleated Pocket	8 ½ x 16 ½	
(1) Back Pocket	8 ½ x 10 ½	
(2) Recessed Zipper Piece	3 x 9 ½	<b>***optional—I did not complete in model</b>

<b>From Accent Fabric:</b>		
(1) Bag Binding	2 x 26	
(1) Pleated Pocket Binding	2 x 16 ½	
(1) Back Pocket Binding	2 x 10 ½	
(1) Zippered Pocket Lining	13 x 7 ½	
(2) Interior Slip Pocket	7 ½ x 10 ½	
(2) Strap Holder	2 ¾ x 2 ½	(2) SF101 2 ¾ x 2 ½
(2) Strap	4 x 30 ½	(3) SF101 4 x 20
(2) Snap Tab*	4 ½ x 4*	(2) SF101 4 ½ x 4*
(2) Metal Rectangle Tab*	2 ¼ x 4*	(2) SF101 2 ¼ x 4*
<b>From Flap Fabric:</b>		
(1) Flap	Pattern piece	(1) SF101

**Please complete the following steps before class:**

Prepare: Apply Interfacing

On page 5 follow and complete steps a & b. Option: Lightly quilt the main exterior pieces. With soft and stable the quilting does “shrink” the original size but as I made the bag I made it fit. To eliminate the “shrink” you can cut the (2) main pieces slightly larger, quilt them, then cut them to size.

Step 1: Make Strap and Strap Holders

On page 5, follow and complete steps a – e. Bring the straps and strap holders to class.

Step 2: Make Closure Tabs

Continue to follow on page 5, step 2a – 2e **ONLY**. Step 2f will be completed during class if you are using the snap setting method. Continue with the directions if using Velcro. If using a button, these tabs are not necessary but a small piece of round elastic or other connector is needed. If you are using turn locks please review the directions on page 12 on how to install. I have not used turn locks...yet.

Step 8: Make the Interior Pocket

On page 9, follow and complete step a and b **ONLY**. Bring the pocket piece to class.

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

We will begin on page 6 with step 3 Insert Zipper Pocket and check on the closure methods you have chosen.

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

*Enjoy, Mary*

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- \* 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.