



Pocket Skirt & Bag

Finished size:

Skirt - 13 7/8" long

Bag - 9 1/2" x 9 1/2"

SUPPLIES NEEDED

- 1 Fabric Loft Cotton Bronwen Bundle (8 - 18" x 21")
- 3/4" elastic (length = waist measurement plus 1")
- 1/8 yd. Heavy weight fusible interfacing
- Coordinating thread
- Basic sewing supplies
- Rotary cutter, acrylic ruler, self-healing mat
- Ruler, pencil, scissors
- Safety pin
- Sewing machine and iron
- CD or 4 1/2" circle

BEFORE YOU BEGIN

Read all instructions before beginning project. Do not pre-wash fabrics. Before cutting, press fabrics with a dry iron on cotton setting. Use a 1/4" seam allowance and sew fabrics with right sides together (RST) unless otherwise noted. Press seams in the direction of the arrows. Finish seams with a serge or zigzag stitch.



CUTTING

Label pieces after cutting.

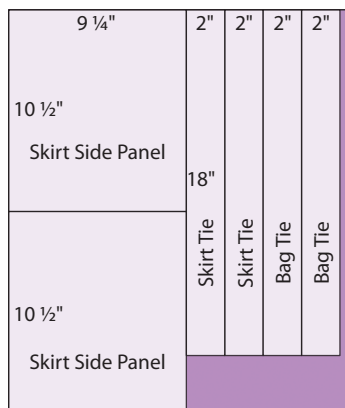
Cutting Layout



Lg. Floral Print



Chevron



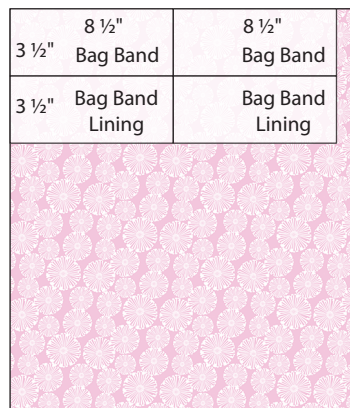
Purple



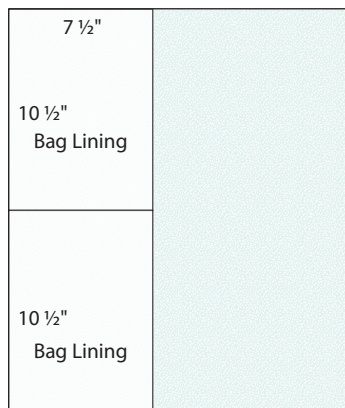
Beige Solid



Beige Print



Lt. Pink Floral



Lt. Blue Print

Skirt:

Lg. Floral Print: 2 - 10 1/2" x 18" rectangles (front & back)

Chevron: 2 - 9 1/4" x 10 1/2" rectangles (pocket)

Purple: 2 - 9 1/4" x 10 1/2" rectangles (side panel)

2 - 2" x 18" rectangles (ties)

Beige Solid: 3 - 3" x 18" rectangles (waistband)

Beige Print: 3 - 6" x 18" rectangles (bottom band)

Bag:

Chevron: 2 - 7 1/2" x 10 1/2" rectangles (bag)

Purple: 2 - 2" x 18" rectangles (ties)

Beige Solid: 1 - 3" x 18" rectangle (strap)

Lt. Pink Floral: 4 - 3 1/2" x 8 1/2" rectangles (bag band and bag band lining)

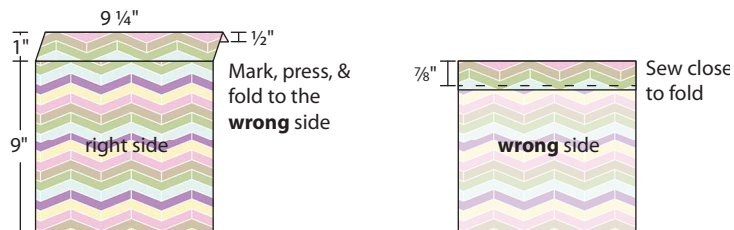
Lt. Blue Print: 2 - 7 1/2" x 10 1/2" rectangles (bag lining)

Heavy weight interfacing: 2 - 3 1/2" x 8 1/2" rectangles (bag band)

SEWING**Skirt:**

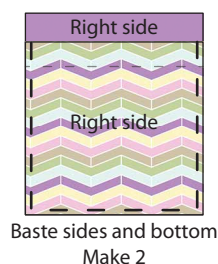
1. Press one short edge of a Chevron pocket (9 1/4" x 10 1/2") 1/2" to the **wrong** side. Press again 1" to the **wrong** side. Sew along folded edge to hem pocket top (Dia. A).

Dia. A



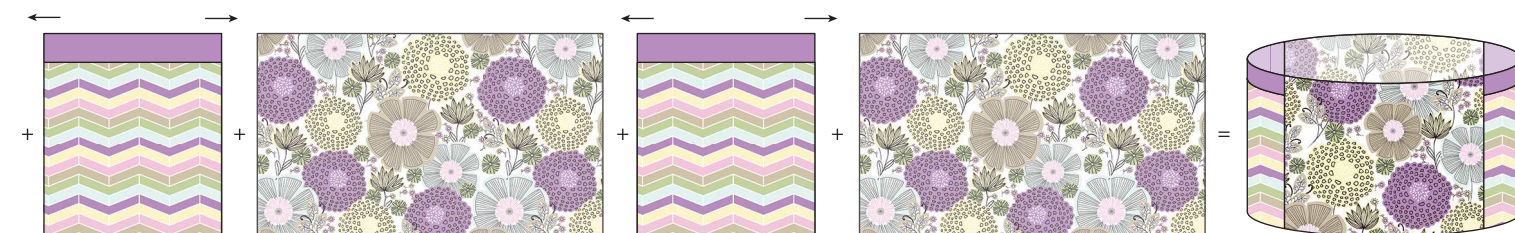
2. With right sides facing up, match and baste the sides and bottom of the Chevron pocket to a purple skirt side panel (9 1/4" x 10 1/2"). Repeat Steps 1 and 2 to make a second side panel with pocket (Dia. B).

Dia. B

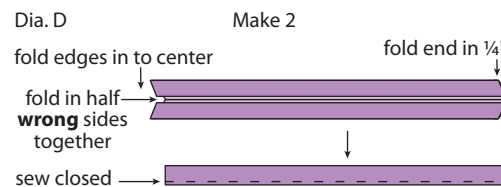


3. Pin and sew side panels with pockets to the Lg. Floral Print front and back (10 1/2" x 18") RST on the 10 1/2" sides, alternating to make a continuous circle as shown in Diagram C. Press seams toward the Lg. Floral Print.

Dia. C

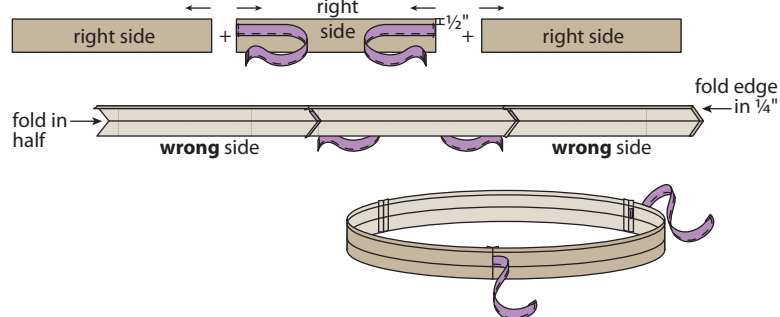


4. Fold one Purple tie (2" x 18") **wrong** sides together so long edges meet; press. Open the tie and press one end 1/4" to the **wrong** side and the long edges to the center fold. Fold in half again and topstitch close to folded edges; press (Dia. D). Repeat to make the other tie.



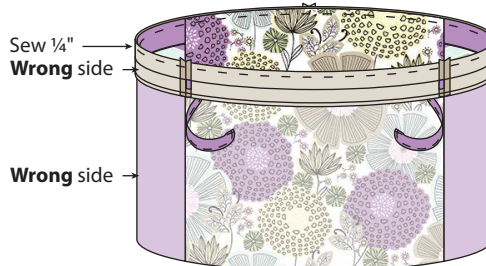
5. Baste the cut end of each tie (seam at bottom) to the short ends of one Beige Tonal Waistband (3" x 18") right side up, 1/2" from the long edge. Pin and sew the three waistband pieces RST on the short ends. Press seams open. Press in half **wrong** sides together so long edges meet, and press the edge closest to the ties 1/4" to the **wrong** side (Dia. E). Open and sew the remaining short ends to make one continuous circle.

Dia. E

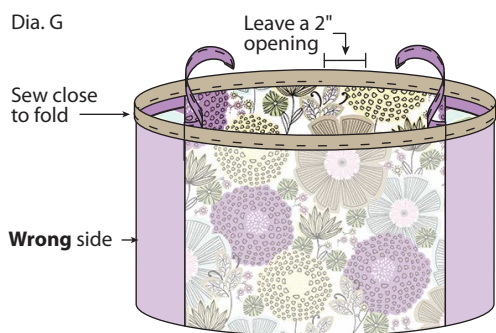


6. Place one long edge of the waistband (**right** side) to the **wrong** side of the top edge of the skirt. **Note:** Check that it's the edge of the waistband furthest from the ties and that the pockets on the skirt are facing towards the waistband. Match two of the waistband seams to the seams on the skirt front; pin and sew. Press seam toward the waistband (Dia. F).

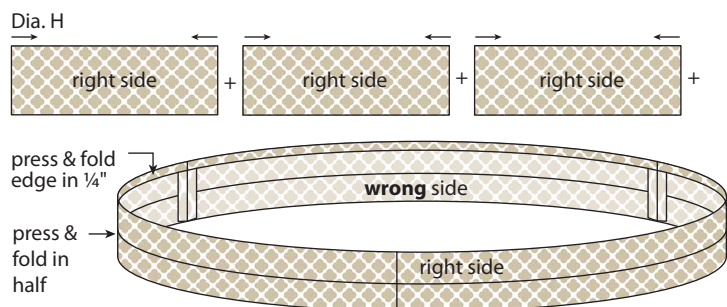
Dia. F



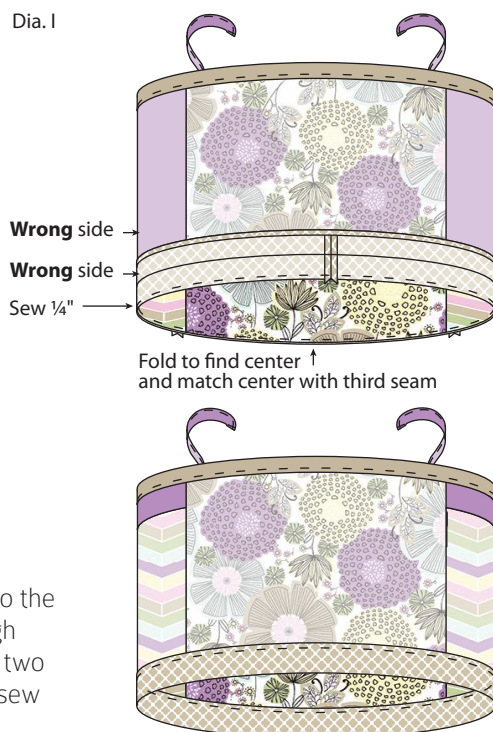
7. Fold the top edge of the waistband to the right side of the skirt and pin the pressed edge over the seam. Sew close to fold to create the casing, leaving a 2" opening; press (Dia. G).



8. Pin and sew the three Beige Print skirt band pieces (6" x 18") RST on the short edges to make one continuous circle as shown. Press seams open. Press in half **wrong** sides together so long edges meet. Open and press one long edge $\frac{1}{4}$ " to the **wrong** side (Dia. H).



9. Pin the right side of the skirt band (that is not pressed under) to the bottom of the skirt on the **wrong** side as shown in Diagram I; sew and press the seam toward the band. Fold the bottom band to the **right** side, over the seam; pin and sew along the folded edge.

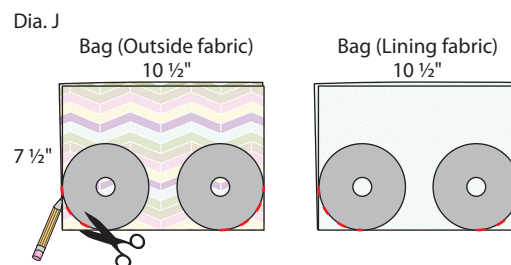


10. Attach a safety pin to the elastic and feed it through the waistband. Sew the two ends together securely; sew the opening closed.

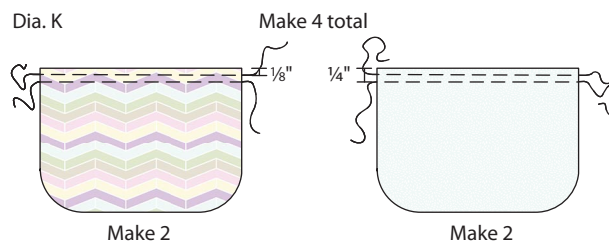
Bag:

1. Follow manufacturer's instructions to fuse the Heavy Duty interfacing to the **wrong** side of two Lt. Pink Floral bag bands.

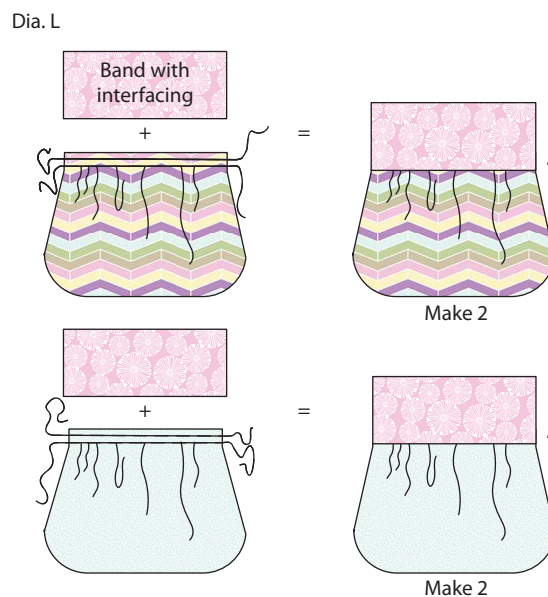
2. Place Chevron (bag) pieces RST and trace a CD or use the 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ " circle template provided to round two corners on one long side. Cut on drawn line (Dia. J). Repeat for the bag lining pieces.



3. Sew a row of gathering stitches $\frac{1}{8}$ " and $\frac{1}{4}$ " along the straight edge of the bag and lining, leaving tails on both edges (Dia. K). Make two of each.

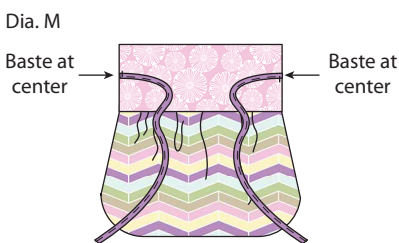


4. Gather the bag by pulling the bobbin thread tails to fit the bag band; pin RST. Sew and press seam toward the bag band. Repeat for the bag lining and bag band lining (Dia. L).

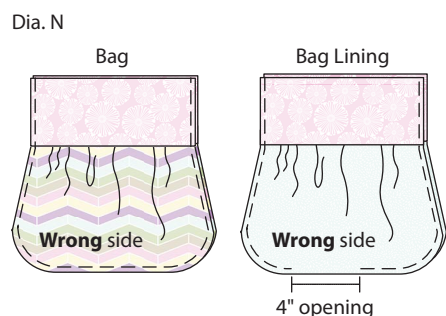


5. Follow Step 4 of the skirt instructions to sew the two remaining Purple ties.

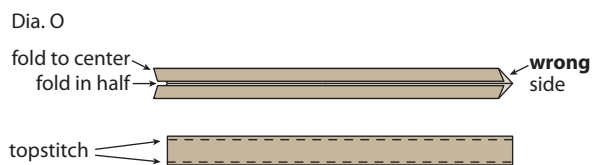
6. On the right side of one of the bag bands, measure half way down and pin the cut end of a tie to each side; baste (Dia. M). **Note:** *Pin ties to center of bag to prevent catching them when sewing side seams.*



7. Pin bag pieces RST; sew. Repeat to sew bag lining pieces, leaving a 4" opening along the bottom for turning (Dia. N).



8. Follow Step 4 of the skirt instructions to sew the Beige Handle, except leave both ends open (Dia. O).



9. On the right side of the bag, center and pin the ends of the strap over the side seams with edges even; sew (Dia. P).



10. With lining **wrong** side out, place bag inside so right sides are together with the strap down. **Tip:** *Pin strap to bag to avoid catching it in the seam.* Pin the top with edges even and side seams matching; sew. Turn right side out through opening in lining. Sew opening in lining closed. Press top edge flat and topstitch ¼" from edge.

FINISHING

Skirt:

11. Tie a bow at the center front.

Bag:

12. Tie bow at center and tack to bag band.

FINISHED CARE INSTRUCTIONS

Wash in cold water, gentle cycle. Hang to dry.

