



# Archie Backpack

Knot and Thread

**Instructor: Heather B Mayes**

**Location:** In-person attendance is strongly recommended as we have many supplies and tools for you to play with that will not be available to Zoom attendees.

## Class Description:

Sew your own stylish and functional backpack in our Archie Backpack class featuring the popular pattern by Knot + Thread Design! The Archie Backpack is the perfect everyday bag — compact yet roomy, with a modern, sleek look and plenty of practical details.

In this class, you'll learn how to work with zippers, install adjustable straps, and sew through layers with structure and confidence. With its top zipper closure, front zipper pocket, and optional interior pockets, the Archie is a great project for confident beginners ready to level up their bag-making skills — and a fun challenge for seasoned sewists too!

## Supplies:

- See pattern for material requirements. For strapping/webbing, note:
  - The pattern calls for polypro strapping, to be covered by the accent fabric.
  - If you choose to use patterned webbing instead of covering the webbing, you will only need  $\frac{3}{4}$  yd of the accent fabric as you can then skip cutting the two "Shoulder Strap" pieces and the "Handle + Hardware Tabs" piece. You can finish the visible raw edges with fray block and/or zigzag stitching.
  - If you are considering webbing/strapping other than 1.5" wide, note that the width of the webbing needs to match the size of the hardware.
- Choose thread color based on accent fabric
- $\frac{1}{8}$ " basting tape
- Denim needle
- Highly recommended tools: quick turn tool, bodkin, stiletto
- All your favorite sewing supplies (snips, pins/clips, marking tool(s) that will be visible on each of your fabrics...)
- Sewing machine in good working order
  - If you're fairly new to sewing, please bring your manual
  - Bring along your zipper foot!

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## Please complete before first class:

- Before starting, make a photocopy of the 8.5"x11" page that included in the pattern so you don't need to cut the original to use the templates and labels
- Complete all instructions on pages 1& 2, which includes:
  - Cutting requirements for accent fabric, webbing, and interfacing
    - If you do not plan to cover your webbing/strapping with fabric, you can skip cutting two "Shoulder Strap" pieces and the "Handle + Hardware Tabs" piece from the accent fabric
  - Quilting together main fabric, Soft & Stable, and lining fabric
  - Cutting the quilted panel

## Treelotta Class Policies

We are a fragrance-free shop

As a courtesy to individuals who may be sensitive to fragrances, we would like to ask that you refrain from wearing any perfumes, scented lotions or body sprays, or strong scents. Thank you.

Class cancellation Classes fill up quickly and we often have a waiting list. **If you cannot make it to class, please let us know at least three days in advance to receive store credit.** Cancellations less than three days or no-shows will be charged full price. If you are experiencing any fever, cough, shortness of breath, or any other flu/Covid-like symptoms please do not come to class. Please contact us by phone at 303-997-4372.

Classes with registration with fewer than three participants three days prior to class date may be canceled by the instructor. In the event of inclement weather, the instructor will have the discretion to cancel class.

Classes start on time. Please arrive 10-15 minutes early to get set up.

Parking Parking is available in back. For after hours or weekend parking, you may also park in the Malley Senior Rec Center lot. Please do not park in this lot during weekday/9-5 as you will be ticketed.

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