



Pattern for Purse using removable Purse Handle Style 1800

...revised pattern compliments of Jan Fowler

Purse Handle Style 1800 in antique, silver or dark silver) Large



OUTER BAG: (cut two)12 inches high x 18.5 inches wide

BATTING: same as outer bag

LINING: same as outer bag

RUFFLE: (cut two)12.5 inches wide x 2.5 inches high of both outer fabric and of lining fabric or a contrasting fabric

BAG CONSTRUCTION

Sew right side to right side three sides of outer fabric leaving top open.

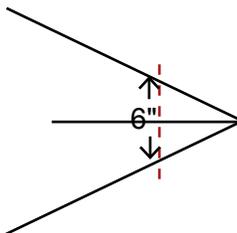


Putting lining pieces right side to right side, add one piece of batting to both wrong sides of lining. Sew both side seams. Sew bottom seam leaving a 4-5 " hole in centre to reverse bag.



Matching up side to bottom seam sew across,creating boxed corner. Do same for bag lining.

line up bottom seams
with side seams



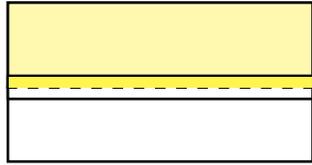
stitch twice for strength

RUFFLE CONSTRUCTION (for 2)

Sew long sides together of one lining,one outer piece.



Press seam open.

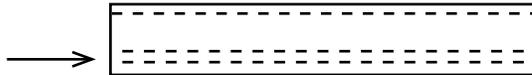


Press under a quarter inch (twice so you have no raw edges) on both short ends of each ruffle and top stitch. *Hint: 1/4" steam-a-seam makes it easy and precise*



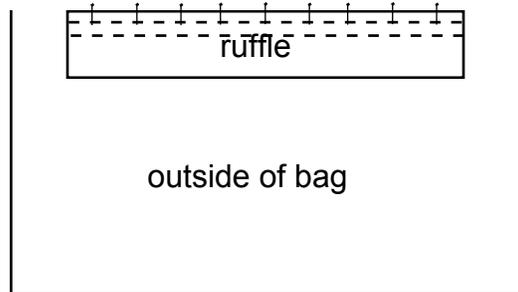
Wrong sides together, press so top seam is straight, match up side seams and topstitch (lengthen stitch length, change thread color to complement) and topstitch across length, approximately 1 1/2" from top of ruffle.

Sew the rod pocket here.

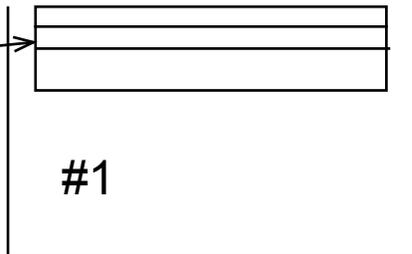


Lay whatever side of ruffle you want to appear on outside of bag against outer bag on both sides centering so you have equal amount of bag on either side of ruffle. Pin ruffles to top of bag.

With lining right side in, slip over above, lining up side seams, and re-pin.



Rod Pocket



Wrong side of lining

#2

Stitch with a quarter inch seam all around to create bag. Remember you are going through 2 outer

layers, 2 linings, 2 battings, and 2 double layer flaps so go slow using a walking foot and lengthened stitch length.

Pull outer bag through lining hole, poke out corners, press, pin and topstitch (again using walking foot and longer stitch length. I topstitch $\frac{1}{8}$ " from top of bag.

Sew up hole in bottom of lining again using one eighth inch seam.

Unscrew ends on handles and slip them thru rod pockets in ruffle.

To create stiff bottom-cover foam core, cardboard, anything stiff 11½" by 6".

Make one bottom for all your bags and just keep transferring handles and bottom.

