PREP WORK FOR WEEKENDER TRAVEL BAG CLASS

*Prep work must be completed prior to the start of class! I really want each of you to complete your travel bag by the end of the second day. That's why this prep work is so important!

STEP 1, MAIN BODY

- Cut 1 piece of soft and stable 18 x 33
- ☐ Cut 1 piece of main fabric 18 x 33
- ☐ Lay main fabric right side up on soft and stable.
- ☐ Find center and mark line top to bottom. Mark stitching lines every 2 inches from the center, working out to edges. Use masking tape or a water soluble marker to mark the quilting lines.



□ Walking Foot – Using walking foot, stitch on each line.

STEP 2, PATTERN AND CUTTING MAIN BODY

- ☐ Make a full-size template of bag body piece from freezer paper. Mark the center of the bag pattern from top to bottom. (See Diagram 1)
- ☐ Match center mark on full pattern piece to center stitch line on bag front quilted in step 1.
- ☐ Cut 2 large bag pieces (main body) using quilted pieces in Step 1

STEP 3, PATTERN TEMPLATES

☐ Make freezer paper templates of remaining pattern pieces

STEP 4, CUTTING FROM MAIN/OUTSIDE FABRIC

Cut pieces from main (outside) fabric and fusible fleece as follows:

- ☐ 2 large pockets
- ☐ Your fabric choice—Cut 2 large pockets for lining of outside pocket, no fleece.
- ☐ 2 small end pockets
- ☐ 2 gusset pieces
- ☐ 1 bottom (8 ½" x 19")
- ☐ Fuse all together

Note:

• Label the pieces of your travel bag as you cut and assemble them.

STEP 5, CUTTING FROM LINING

Cut pieces from <u>lining fabric</u> and <u>fusible fleece</u> as follows: Fuse together.

- □ 2 main body pieces—channel quilt (vertically) every 2" See Diagram 2.
- ☐ 2 gusset pieces
- □ 1 bottom (8 ½" x 19")
- □ 1 bottom (8 ½" x 16")
- ☐ 2 small end pockets, no fleece
- ☐ inside pockets (bring fabric, will demo in class)

STEP 6 CORDING

- ☐ Cut 5 strips 1 ½" wide and sew together on the diagonal, as you do when making binding.
- ☐ Will demo covering cording in class

STEP 7, HANDLES

- ☐ From the handle fabric cut 3 strips @ 4 ½" wide.
- ☐ Sew together on the diagonal to make one long strip.
- ☐ Cut 3 strips fusible fleece @ 3 ½" wide, butting ends together and zigzag to make one long piece
- ☐ Fuse handle fabric to fleece

You are ready for Class! Questions, Call Ann Hinman 686–1129

Diagram I

Pattern as purchased



Diagram II

Pattern Full-Size Template

• Vertical stitching lines

