

Michigan, My Michigan Sewing Bag

Fabric: (2) Michigan, My Michigan Panels (18" x 21")
Outer Bag Sides and Bottom: 1/2yd
Lining: 1yd
Handle Webbing: 1-1/2yd
Bosal Fusible In R Foam: 1yd
Décor Bond: 1yd

Cutting:

Outer Bag Sides: (2) 6 1/2" x 18" strips
Outer Bag Bottom: (1) 6 1/2" x 21" strip

Lining: (2) 18" x 21" rectangles (Main Lining)
(2) 6 1/2" x 18" strips (Lining Sides)
(1) 6 1/2" x 21" strips (Lining Bottom)

Handles: (2) 25" strips

From Bosal In R Foam and Décor Bond both:

(2) 18" x 21" rectangles
(2) 6 1/2" x 18" strips
(1) 6 1/2" x 21" strip

Assembly:

Fuse Michigan Panel to Bosal Foam. Quilt as desired. Repeat for second Michigan Panel. Trim raw edges even.

Fuse each Outer Bag Sides & Bottom fabric strip to a Bosal strip of coordinating size. Quilt as desired.

Fuse each Lining piece (Main, Sides & Bottom) to a Décor Bond strip of coordinating size.

(Optional: Add a pocket to right side of one Main Lining piece using leftover fabric and Décor Bond.)



Handle: Mark the top center of both main bag pieces and also 4" away from center on each side, along upper edge. Place webbing on main bag having raw edges of webbing along top edge.

(If needed, trim bag side pieces and bag bottom pieces to match the measurements of Main Bag pieces.)

Layer each quilted piece, (*front, back, 2 sides, 1 bag bottom*) right sides together with a lining piece of the same size. Stitch with a 1/4" seam around, leaving an opening on one end for turning.

Clip corners and turn each piece right side out and press flat. Topstitch or glue openings closed on each piece. Topstitch upper edge of each Main Bag Piece and both Bag Sides.

Putting It All Together:

Stitch one side piece to both sides of bag front, having lining sides together, back stitching at the beginning and end, and stopping 1/4" from lower edge.

Stitch bag back to sides, once again, back stitching at beginning and end, and stopping 1/4" from lower edge.

Stitch bag bottom onto bag one side at a time, starting and stopping each seam 1/4" from edge.

(The corners will be very thick. If your sewing machine doesn't cooperate, a little hand stitching may help.)

