

Image 1.



Step 1.

You may begin with a typical “Fat Quarter” which is normally 18” X 21”. Four bags can be cut from a yard of 44” wide fabric.

Using a typical “Fat Quarter”, cut two pieces of fabric. One is 4” X 21” for the handle and the other is 13” X 21” for the bag. (Image 1)

Step 2.

- A. Fold press the strip for the handles matching raw edges with wrong sides together. (Image 2)
- Unfold handle and press each raw edge to the center fold with wrong sides together. (Image 3)

Image 2



Image 3



Press the folded edges together. (Image 4)

- B. Edge stitch both edges. (Image 5)



Image 4



Image 5

- C. Cut strips in half and placed with matching bags. You will have two 10 ½” handles. (Image 6)



Image 6

Step 3.

On the 21" side of bag, press under a folded edge 1/2" wrong sides together (Image 7) and then a 5/8" fold making a "twice turned hem" at top of bag. (Image 8)



Image 7



Image 8

Step 4.

A. Mark placement of handles on the twice folded hem at top of bag. Starting at one side mark at 2 1/2"; 8 1/2"; 12 1/2"; and 18 1/2". (Image 9)



Image 9

B. To pin handle to bag, match raw edge of one 10 1/2" long handle to bottom of "twice turned hem", pin handle to touch right of 2 1/2" mark and pin handle to touch left of 8 1/2" mark. Repeat other handle at right of 12 1/2" mark and left of 18 1/2" mark. (Image 10)



Image 10

Step 5.

Top stitch handles on both sides of “twice folded hem”. (Image 11)

Back stitch several stitches as sewing on each handle to reinforce strength. (Image 12)



Image 11



Image 12

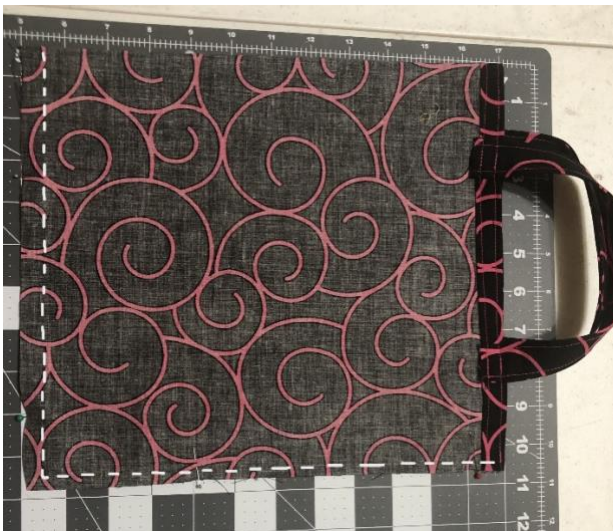


Image 13

Step 6.

- A. Fold right sides together to form a 10 ½” X 13” bag. Pin bag and stitch a 1/2” seam along the side and bottom of the bag. (Image 13)

Step 6 continued:

B. Clip the bottom corners of the bag and top of “twice folded hem”. (Image 14)

C. Press seams open. (Image 15)



Image 14



Image 15

Step 7.

A. Match the bottom and side seam of the bag forming a triangle. (Image 16) Repeat on other corner matching bottom seam to side crease. Press corners. Image 16



B. Measure 1 1/2" from point of triangle along the seam on both sides. Draw a line perpendicular to the seam. Image 17



C. Stitch the seams. Image 18



Image 19 Both corners are sewn and bag is ready to turn right side out.

Step 8.

Turn bag to finish.

Image 20



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Note: Some steps may be done in different orders. For example, it doesn't matter which is first, pressing the handle or the top of the bag. I prefer to wait and cut the handles just before I attach them to the bag so I'm less likely to misplace the two pieces. These are just suggestions in order. Some images were placed because of spacing. Hopefully this will help in completing the bags for the Baptist Nursing Fellowship. IAY