

Secret Summer Sew Along

Please note these instructions are designed to accompany the videos provided and not as fool proof instructions.

Week 1 – Drawstring for your draws

Cutting guide

Main fabric - 11' wide x 13' tall (cut x 2)

lining fabric - 11' wide x 13' tall (cut x 2)

- 1) Print off knicker template. Rough cut out and stick onto card then cut neatly along the lines to create a template.
- 2) Draw around knicker template onto steam a seam and apply to the back of a contrasting scrap of fabric. Cut out neatly.
- 3) Cut 2 pieces of lace approx. 6" long and run a gathering stitch along 1 edge. Pull up gathers to fit the leg curve of your template.
- 4) Peel off the backing paper and sew in place using a large hand basting stitch.
- 5) Iron onto your main fabric.
- 6) Top stitch all the way around with a 1/8" seam allowance and then remove hand basting stitches.
- 7) Place bag outer (main fabric) RST and sew along the bottom edge.
- 8) Join the top edge of each lining piece to the top edge of each outer piece forming a long strip.
- 9) Fold strip RST with outer on outer and lining on lining.
- 10) Mark from top edge down 1.5" and again 0.75" on both sides
- 11) Sew all the way around leaving a hand width hole in the base of the lining and leaving the gaps between your marks unsewn (back tack at either side)
- 12) Turn in the right way through the base opening.
- 13) Press and close the hole with a 1/8" allowance.
- 14) Press the top edge well and draw a line across the top of the bag in line with the top and bottom of your openings.
- 15) Top stitch carefully along the lines
- 16) Thread ribbon into the right-hand channel, all the way around and back out of the same hole and tie off. Repeat with the other half of ribbon in the left-hand opening.

Week 2 – Zip storage pouch

Cutting guide

Main fabric - 13' wide x 9' tall (cut x 2)

lining fabric - 13' wide x 9' tall (cut x 2)

Tabs – 3" x 3" (cut x 2)

Optional strap 3" x 18"

- 1) Cut zip tabs in half and sandwich RST around the closed end of the zip. Stitch across the end, press tabs back WST and top stitch in place.
- 2) Measure 13" along from seam and draw a line. OPEN ZIP and baste closed just outside the line.
- 3) Sandwich 2nd set of tabs around the zip with the raw edge lined up with your basting line and the fabric in towards the centre of the zip. Sew along your marked line, press back WST and top stitch.
- 4) Trim away any excess zip.
- 5) Cut tabs in line with zip edge.
- 6) With RS of lining uppermost, place WS of zip down along the top edge. Place main outer RS down onto RS of zip. Use tape or pins to secure and stitch in place with a zipper foot. Press back and top stitch.
- 7) Repeat step 6 with the other 2 pieces of fabric.
- 8) Iron on your heat transfer.
- 9) To make optional wrist strap, press in half WST and then bring raw edges into the press line. Fold inwards one more time to enclose all raw edges and top stitch.
- 10) Fold bag RST with outer touching outer and lining touching lining. Sandwich strap (folded in half) inside the bag with raw edges on raw edge close to the top edge.
- 11) Make sure your zip is open and sew around the entire edge, leaving a hand width opening in the base of the lining to turn.
- 12) Draw 1.5" squares onto all 4 corners and cut away fabric.
- 13) Nest the seams of the holes to box the corners and sew closed.
- 14) Turn bag in the right way, poking corners by the zip well.
- 15) Sew hole in lining closed.

Week 3 – Passport cover

Cutting guide

Main fabric – 9 x 7 (cut x2)

Sleeves – 6.5 x 4 (cut x 2)

- 1) Quilt 1 of your 9x7 rectangles onto wadding with a diamond design or design of your choice
- 2) Trim down your quilted and non-quilted pieces to 8.5 x 6.5.
- 3) Press sleeves in half width ways (reducing them to 2" wide x 6.5" tall) and top stitch down folded edge with a narrow 1/8" allowance.
- 4) Lay sleeves RST on top of non-quilted fabric with top stitched edges innermost and baste with a narrow seam allowance.
- 5) Fold like a book and work out where the centre of the edge would be on the back and make a mark.
- 6) Sew the closed end of a hair bobble onto the mark.
- 7) Place quilted piece RS down onto the sleeves, sandwiching the sleeves and bobble inside.

- 8) Sew all the way around leaving an opening between the sleeve edges on the bottom edge.
- 9) Clip the corners to remove bulk and turn in the right way.
- 10) Press the opening towards the inside and top stitch with a $1\frac{1}{8}$ " allowance all the way around.
- 11) Work out where button needs to be positioned and stitch in place through the front layer only

Week 4 – luggage tag

Cutting guide

Window 5" x 4" (Cut x 2)

Backing 6" x 4" (Cut x 2)

Tab 4" x 4"

- 1) Take 2 x backing pieces and draw across the top corners diagonally 1" up and 1" across and remove corners.
- 2) Take 2 x window pieces and place RST. Draw a rectangle $\frac{3}{4}$ in from outer edge and sew on the line.
- 3) Cut away the fabric internally from the rectangle leaving $\frac{1}{4}$ "
- 4) Cut into the corners and turn fabric WST and press well.
- 5) Lay vinyl onto the back of the rectangle and top stitch in place with a $1\frac{1}{8}$ " allowance. Trim off any excess vinyl.
- 6) Press tab in half WST and then bring raw edges into press line. Bring folded edges together and top stitch.
- 7) Thread tab through lobster clasp and top stitch close to hardware.
- 8) Lay window on top of 1 backing piece WS down onto RS of fabric.
- 9) Lay tabs raw edges along the top of the backing piece and allow the clasp to hang down into the project.
- 10) Place next backing piece RST on top and sew round, leaving a hole in the bottom edge to turn.
- 11) Clip any corners and remove bulk.
- 12) Turn in the right way and press carefully avoiding the vinyl.
- 13) Top stitch the edges with a $1\frac{1}{8}$ " allowance