

A functional and fabulous free purse pattern!



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Fold-over Bag

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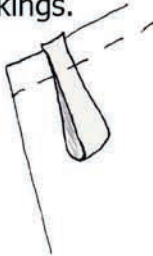
Materials List

3/8 yard fashion fabric - makes 2 bags
3/8 yard lining
10" zipper
5" zipper for inner pocket
One set 1/2" circular craft magnets
45" thin 1/4"-3/8" cord or purse chain
Fabrics: Vinyl, faux leather or a fabric that keeps its shape works best. Interface appropriately if using a thinner fabric!

Construction

1. All seam allowances are 1/2" unless otherwise stated.

2. Sew loop along long edge RST using 1/4" SA. Turn right side out, cut into 2 equal pieces. Fold each piece in half and place, raw edges matching, on one bag piece along top edge at markings.

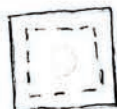


3. Place the 10" zipper right side down on top edge of one bag piece. Stitch 1/4" away from zipper teeth. Repeat for other side.

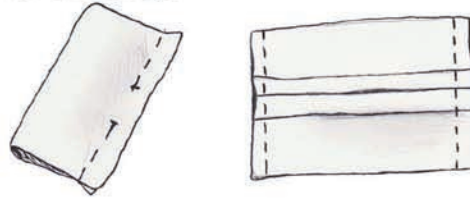


4. Pin square magnet covers to wrong side of one lining piece at markings. Sew along 3 edges of the square, slip magnet in and sew remaining edge.

Tip: Be sure magnet is positioned to attract and not repel!



5. Sew long edge of casing, leaving center open between marks. Press seam allowance open and center seam on one side of casing. Stitch side seams and turn casing right side out through opening. Slipstitch the opening closed. Pin on one bag piece at markings. Topstitch along long edges to form a casing for the strap.



6. ♦ Pin pocket facing to one lining purse body piece RST, matching circle marks on both pieces. Sew around rectangle stitching line on pocket facing.

♦ Cut a slit in the sewn rectangle, making a "V" at each end. Turn facing to inside and press.



♦ Place zipper beneath opening and sew along all four edges.

♦ RST, sew upper edge of pocket to upper edge of pocket facing, keeping lining free.

♦ RST sew lower edge of pocket to lower edge of pocket facing, keeping purse body lining free.

♦ Sew pocket side seams, being sure to catch pocket facing seams in the stitching and keeping lining free.



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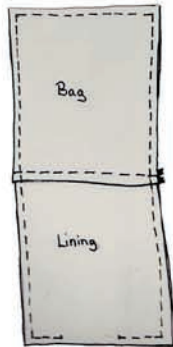
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7. RST, pin one lining piece to bag, sandwiching zipper between lining and bag. Sew along upper edge along previous stitching lines used to attach the zipper. Edge stitch seam.



8. Place bag and lining unit flat, RST, lining to lining and bag to bag. Sew along all 4 edges leaving an opening in the bottom of the lining for turning.



9. Turn lining, sew opening closed and place lining inside bag.

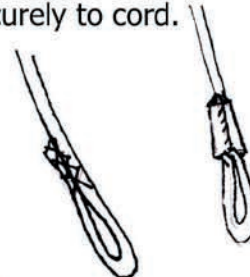
10. Attach cord or purse chain to bag.

Option 1: Measure and cut a 45" cord for shoulder strap or a 36" for elbow length strap. Thread through casing and loops as shown. Sew edges together. Hide join beneath casing and tack cord to casing at each edge.



Fold the bag with the casing outside. Wrap the cord around the side of the bag that does not have the loops attached.

Option 2: Make a 3/4" loop at the end of one 45" length of cord. Sew securely together. Using the loop pattern, cut, sew and turn as in step 2. Wrap this loop of fabric tightly around the join in the cord. Cut the fabric loop, turn under raw end and sew securely to cord.



Thread a ribbon through the loops and tie a pretty bow or use a brooch/pin hooked through both loops.



Placement
guide for
magnet



Placement guide for pocket in lining

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Placement guide for casing

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This entire 8-1/2" sheet of paper is the pattern.
Use it to cut the necessary pieces and as a guide
to transfer markings to fabric as required in instructions.

Bag body

cut 2 fashion fabric
cut 2 lining



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Pocket Facing
Cut 1 lining fabric Cut 1 interfacing

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Casing

Cut 1 coordinating fabric

Cut 1 interfacing

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Loop

Cut 1 coordinating fabric



Magnet cover
Cut 2 Lining fabric