

PROJECT BAG DIRECTIONS

Choose your focus fabric and your complementary fabric

zipper

Vinyl

CLIPS INSTEAD OF PINS for completing the bag.

If you are having problems with your needle going through the vinyl, jeans needles should work.

- ◆ Back of bag, Cut two 16x16 pieces of your focus fabric, sandwich with batting and quilt anyway you wish. Square up the sides
- ◆ Front of bag, Using your complementary fabric cut two pieces at 6 inches x 16 inches. This will be at the top of the front of your bag. Sandwich a piece of batting and quilt as you wish.
- ◆ **IF MAKING YOUR OWN VERSION OF A ZIPPITY DO DONE ZIPPER**, cut one 6 inch by 16 inch piece out of either of your fabrics, fold wrong sides together and iron in half . Fold each side into the middle and iron in order to create a pocket for the vinyl. Add your zipper to the folded edge, leaving the opening at the bottom to insert your vinyl.
- ◆ Attach the top edge of the zipper to the 6 inch x 16 inch sandwich you quilted.
- ◆ **If using a Zippity Do Done**, slide the finished top half of your bag into the top pocket and sew across. I use a wide decorative stitch .
- ◆ Once you have the top half of the front of the bag completed; 6 x 16 inch piece connected to the zipper and the zipper attached to your version of the Zippity do done **YOU MAY MEASURE AND CUT YOUR VINYL.**
- ◆ Measure from inside the zipper pocket to the bottom to determine how long to cut the vinyl. Cut your vinyl slightly larger than the width of your bag which may have changed with the quilting.
- ◆ Take the cut vinyl and slide it into the zipper pocket, Use a wide stitch across to secure the vinyl.
- ◆ Now you have your front and your back completed.
- ◆ **HANDLE** - again, your choice of fabric, cut one 18 x 4.5 inch long strip. Fold wrong sides together and iron in half and open. Fold the top down to meet the center fold line and fold the bottom up to meet that same line. Cut a piece of batting slightly shorter than the 18 inches and insert into one of the folds, center and then fold the entire piece in half and press. You will then sew down the open side of the handle to close.
- ◆ Attach your handle before you bind the bag (or use any technique you are familiar with to attach the handle)
- ◆ Create binding in your normal fashion. (I cut my at 2 1/2 inchds) **Attaching the binding from the back is recommended.** After attaching your binding, bring it to the front and clip it into place so you may complete your machine binding.