
The Dogwood Travel Duffel

17" W x 11" H x 9" D



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sewing patterns

SUPPLIES:

Exterior fabric:

- 1/2 yard Exterior 1
- 1 yard Exterior 2
- 1/4-1/2 yard Exterior 3 (1/4 yard if using vinyl)

Lining fabric:

- 2 yards quilt weight cotton
- Clear vinyl (19" W x 7" H) (optional)

Interfacing:

- 1 yard Fusible fleece (45" W)
- 5 yards Fusible woven interfacing (20" W)
- 1/2 yard Peltex (20" W)
- (1) piece foam interfacing (17.5" W x 10" H)

Notions and supplies:

- (2) 14mm magnetic snaps
- (2) 1.5" swivel clasps (with wider opening)
- (1) 1.5" rectangle slide
- (1) 18" zipper for main closure (#4.5 or #5)
- (1) 16" zipper for exterior front zipper pocket (#4.5 or #5)
- (2) 9" zippers for side cargo zipper pockets (any type)
- (1) 12" zipper for interior zipper pocket
- (6) purse feet (optional)

(2) 14mm grommets (1/2" inner diameter or larger) OR

(2) 1" D-rings

Double-sided tape or fabric glue

OPTIONAL:

82" L pre-made piping (or make your own)

Hook and Loop tape (ex: Velcro) 3" L x 1" H



When purchasing your 1.5" swivel clasps make sure you select a swivel with a larger opening like the one pictured above on the right. Otherwise you will not be able to get your swivel through your grommet and you will also need gate rings.

PLEASE READ ENTIRE PATTERN BEFORE STARTING.

A note about interfacing: You are free to substitute the woven interfacing for any lightweight fusible interfacing, however I do recommend using a woven (ex. SF101) on all exterior pieces to prevent wrinkles. A lightweight non-woven will work fine for interfacing interior pocket linings. If you do not have Peltex, any similar heavyweight interfacing will work (ex: Stiff Stuff) If you would like a sturdier bag, you may use fusible fleece for the Main Panel C, Side Gusset Lining and Bottom pieces.

IMPORTANT: This bag can get bulky at certain areas - especially the cargo pocket pleats. Trim seam allowance from fusible fleece to prevent bulk in the seams and use cotton for your piping. You may also want to consider attaching your BOTTOM foam piece to the lining rather than the exterior.

SEWING TIPS:

Backstitching: Backstitching is sewing in forward and reverse over the same set of stitches to lock them at the end of a line of sewing.

WST/WS: an abbreviation that stands for Wrong Side Together OR Wrong Side which indicates which way the fabric should face.

RST/RS: an abbreviation that stands for Right Side Together OR Right Side which indicates which way the fabric should face.

Basting Stitch: Sewing using a longer stitch length. I usually use a stitch length of 4.

Seam Allowance: Seam allowance is always **3/8 inch** unless specified otherwise. Zipper installation seam allowance is usually **1/4 inch** when using a zipper foot attachment. Topstitching is **1/8"** seam allowance. All seam allowances are included in pattern pieces.

PATTERN PIECES:

Print out pattern pieces using Adobe Reader on regular 8.5 x 11 size paper with scaling set to "none" or "100%". Cut out. You will need to tape together Flap A, Main Panel C, Exterior Bottom Panel I and Side Gusset J Lining pieces by taping

together the lines with matching symbols. Do not overlap symbols or lines when taping. Symbols will not necessarily line up perfectly.

CUTTING:

For your convenience, a cutting chart has been provided on pages 36-37.

From POCKET FLAP A, cut:

- (1) Exterior fabric 3 (or vinyl)
- (1) Lining fabric
- (2) Fusible woven interfacing (1 if using vinyl)
- (1) Fusible fleece

From CARGO POCKET B, cut on the fold:

- (1) Exterior fabric 1
- (1) Lining fabric
- (2) Fusible woven interfacing

From MAIN PANEL C, cut on the fold:

- (1) Exterior fabric 2
- (2) Lining fabric
- (3) Fusible interfacing
- (1) Fusible fleece

From CONNECTOR TAB C, cut:

- (2) Exterior fabric 3 (or vinyl)
- (2) Fusible woven interfacing (if not using vinyl)

From CONNECTOR TAB PELTEX, cut:

- (2) Peltex

From ZIPPER CARGO POCKET E, cut on the fold:

- (2) Exterior fabric 1
- (2) Lining fabric
- (4) Fusible woven interfacing

From ZIPPER CARGO POCKET BACK LINING F, cut on the fold:

- (2) Lining fabric (for exterior pockets)
- (4) Lining fabric (for interior pockets)
- (6) Fusible woven interfacing
- (2) Fusible fleece (for exterior pockets)

For SIDE GUSSET TOP G, cut on the fold:

- (2) Exterior fabric 2
- (2) Fusible woven interfacing
- (2) Fusible fleece

For EXTERIOR TOP PANEL H, cut on the fold:

- (1) Exterior fabric 2

(1) Fusible woven interfacing

(1) Fusible fleece

For EXTERIOR BOTTOM PANEL I, cut on the fold:

(1) Exterior fabric 2

(1) Fusible woven interfacing

(1) Fusible fleece

For SIDE GUSSET LINING J, cut on the fold:

(2) Lining fabric

(2) Fusible woven interfacing

CUT TO MEASUREMENT:

For BOTTOM, (17.5" W x 10" H) cut:

(1) Exterior fabric 3 or vinyl

(1) Lining fabric

(1) Fusible woven interfacing

(1) Foam interfacing

For BOTTOM PELTEX, (16.5" W x 9" H) cut:

(1) Peltex

For ZIPPER TABS, (2.5" W x 1.25" H) cut:

(4) Exterior fabric 2

(4) Fusible woven interfacing

For EXTERIOR FRONT ZIPPER POCKET LINING, (19" W x 9" H) cut:

(2) Lining fabric

(2) Fusible woven interfacing

For SUITCASE STRAP (OPTIONAL), (19" W x 6.75" H) cut:

(1) Exterior fabric 1

(1) Fusible woven interfacing

For HANDLES, (12" W x 4" H) cut:

(2) Exterior fabric 3 or vinyl

(2) Fusible woven interfacing (if using fabric)

For ADJUSTABLE STRAP, (6" H x 50" L or length of choice) cut:

(1) Exterior fabric 1

(1) Fusible woven interfacing

For ADJUSTABLE STRAP FLEECE (OPTIONAL), (1.25" H x 40" L or length of choice minus 10") cut (1) fusible fleece

For INTERIOR ZIPPERED POCKET, (14" W x 10" H) cut:

- (2) Lining fabric
- (2) Fusible woven interfacing

For CLEAR POCKET BINDING, (19" W x 2" H) cut:

- (1) Lining fabric

You will also need: (1) clear vinyl (19" W x 7" H), 82" of piping (pre-made), velcro hook and loop tape (3" L x 1" H)

For D-RING CONNECTOR option (instead of grommets), 2" W x 3" L:

- (2) Vinyl or fabric
- (2) Fusible interfacing (if using fabric)

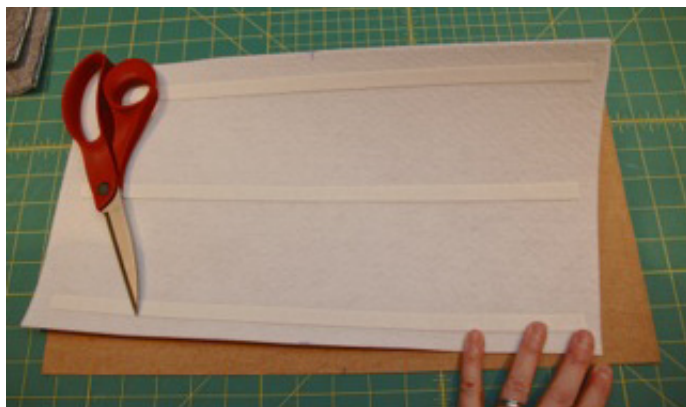
INTERFACING:

1. Fuse woven interfacing to WS of matching cut fabric pieces.

2. Trim seam allowance from all fusible fleece pieces and fuse to WS of:

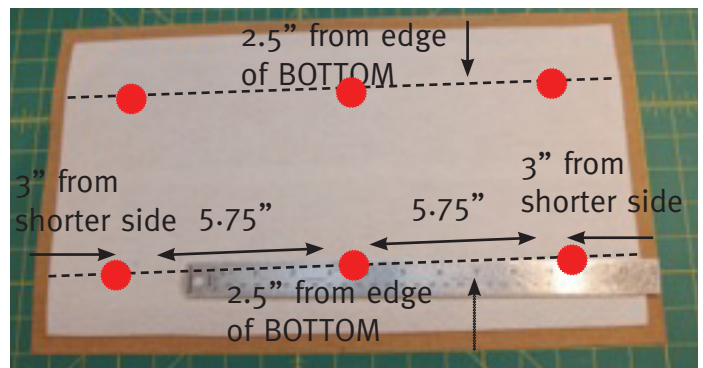
- Pocket Flap A Lining piece
- Main Panel C Exterior piece
- Zipper Cargo Pocket Back Lining F Exterior pocket pieces
- Side Gusset Top G pieces
- Exterior Top Panel H piece
- Exterior Bottom Panel I piece

* For now, set aside Connector Tab Peltex pieces and Adjustable Strap Fleece.

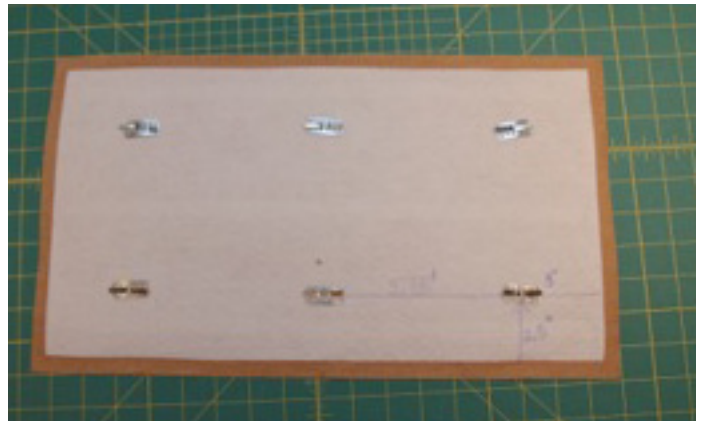


3. Take your BOTTOM piece and BOTTOM PELTEX. Place strips of double-sided tape or glue on one side of your BOTTOM PELTEX. (I am using tape) Glue the PELTEX to the WS of your BOTTOM piece making sure it is centered with 1/2" space all the

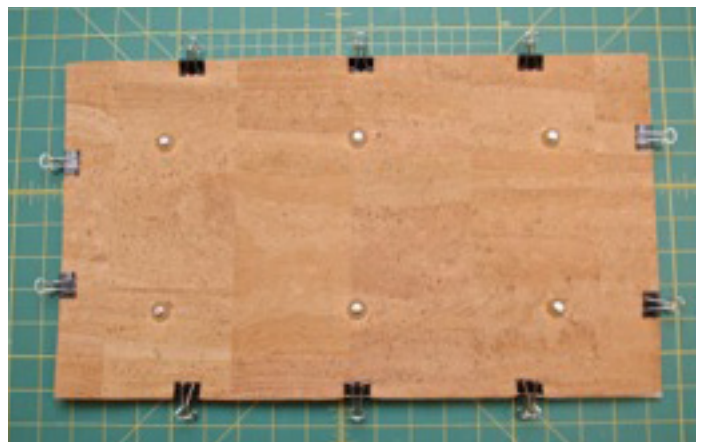
way around.



4. Measure to find the location of your purse feet. Draw a horizontal line at the top and bottom of the longer sides, 2.5" from the edge of BOTTOM Exterior on the WS. Then measure along those lines first at 3" from the shorter side and mark that spot. Then 5.75" from that first mark to find the center. Then another 5.75" over to mark the 3rd spot. Repeat for the other horizontal line. Use photo as a guide to mark the location of your 6 purse feet.



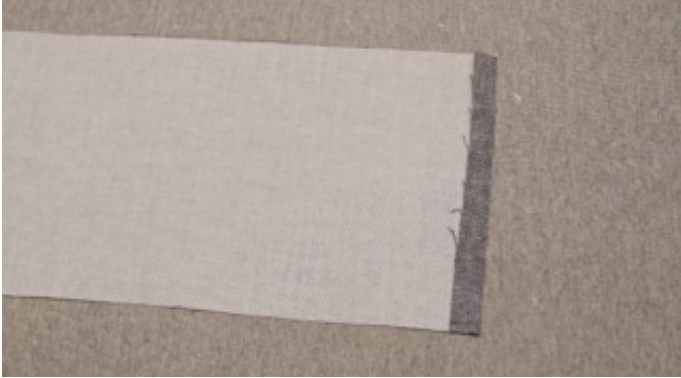
5. Punch out all 6 holes, push your purse feet's prongs through the holes from the RS of your BOTTOM. Place washer over the prongs and spread prongs to secure.



6. Clip your BOTTOM Exterior to your matching foam interfacing and baste stitch in place with a

zig zag stitch. Set aside for now.

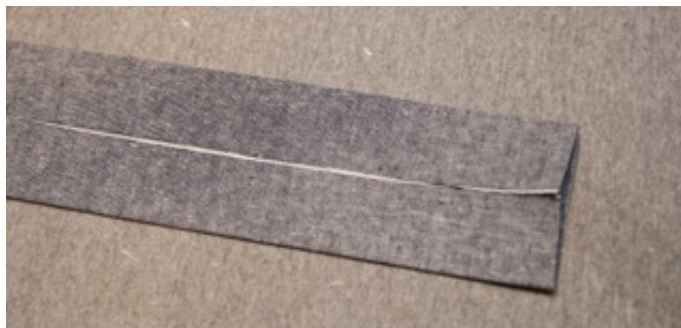
STRAP ASSEMBLY:



7. Fold in 1/2" of each shorter end of your ADJUSTABLE STRAP towards the WS and press.



8. Fold the strap in half WST along its entire length and press to create a center crease.



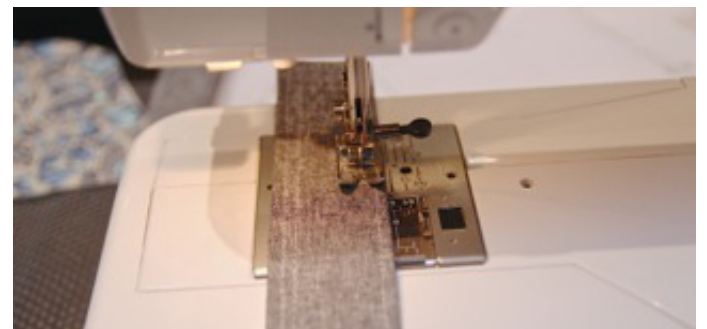
9. Open up your strap to reveal center crease and fold in both halves WST towards center crease and press again.



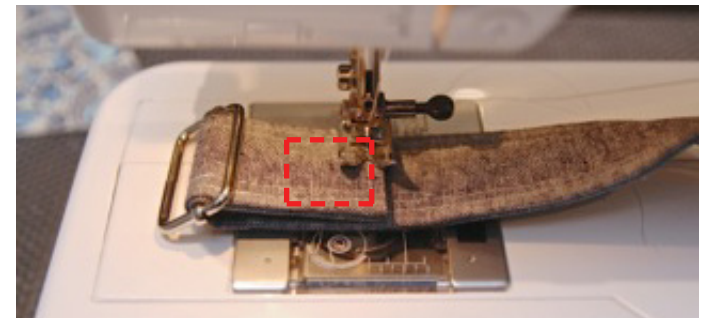
10. Fold in half again along original crease and press again.



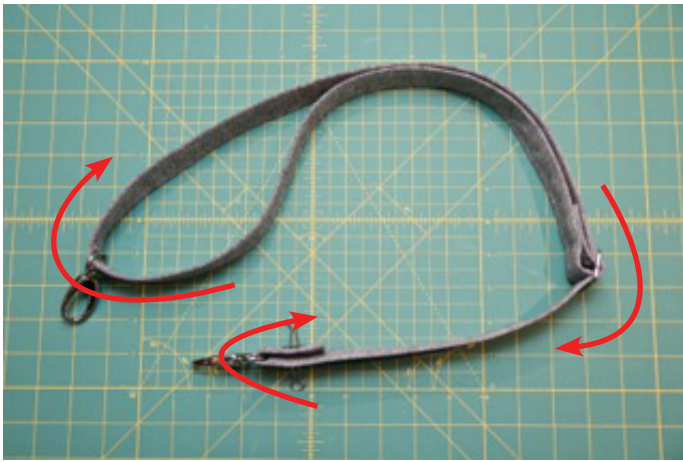
11. If you've chosen to add fleece padding to your strap, open up the strap to reveal center crease and place your fusible fleece along the crease on one side of the crease only. Make sure you leave 4.5" without fleece at each end of the strap. Fold up your strap and press strap to fuse fleece.



12. Sew all the way around your strap twice, once at 1/8" seam allowance and again at 3/8" seam allowance.



13. Slip one end of your strap through the rectangle slide, wrap around the middle bar and fold the strap onto itself. Sew in place with a square of stitching.



14. Take your strap and insert the end without the slide through one swivel clasp's D-ring. Then pass that same end through the slide again. Then wrap the same end around the D-ring of the second swivel clasp and wrap onto itself and sew in place exactly like the the slide in Step 13.

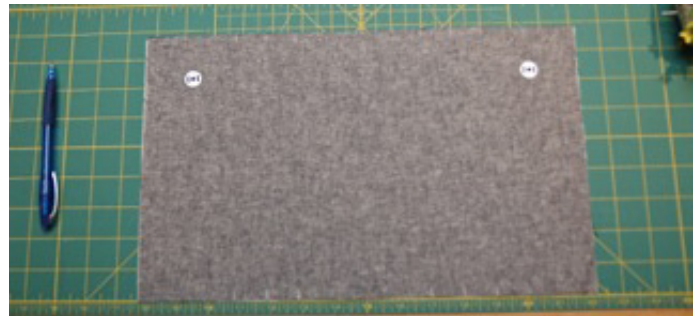
EXTERIOR ASSEMBLY:



15. Using your pattern piece as a guide, transfer the location of your magnetic snaps to the RS of the CARGO POCKET B Exterior piece.



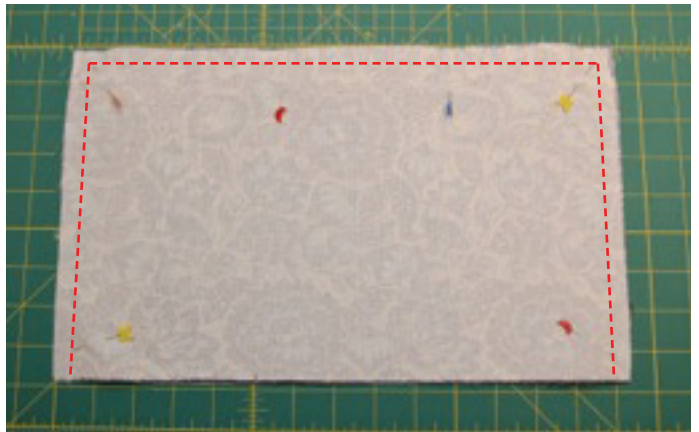
16. Fuse scraps of fleece to WS of CARGO POCKET B Exterior piece in the location you will be installing your magnetic snaps.



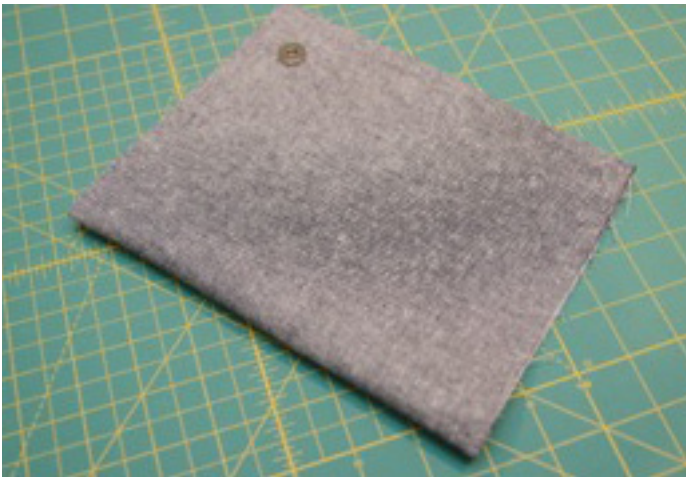
17. Place your washer over the marks you made in Step 15 and mark the location of your prongs. Carefully cut out the prong marks and apply fray check.



18. Push the prongs of the female half of your magnetic snap through the prong holes on the RS of your CARGO POCKET B piece and then place your washer over the prongs. Spread prongs to secure. Fuse a scrap of interfacing over the prongs so they don't damage your pocket's lining piece.



19. Pin both CARGO POCKET B pieces RST and sew along the sides and top edge leaving the bottom open. Trim the seam allowance at the top corners and then turn your CARGO POCKET RS out through the opening at the bottom.



20. Press your CARGO POCKET seams nice and flat. Fold your CARGO POCKET in half vertically, lining side together. Mark your center, top and bottom.



21. Place your CARGO POCKET B pattern piece with the fold line at the marks you made in Step 20 and mark the location of your pleat marks, at the top and bottom of the pocket piece. To mark the pleats on the other side of the pocket, transfer your pleat marks to the WS of the pattern piece and flip it at the fold line.

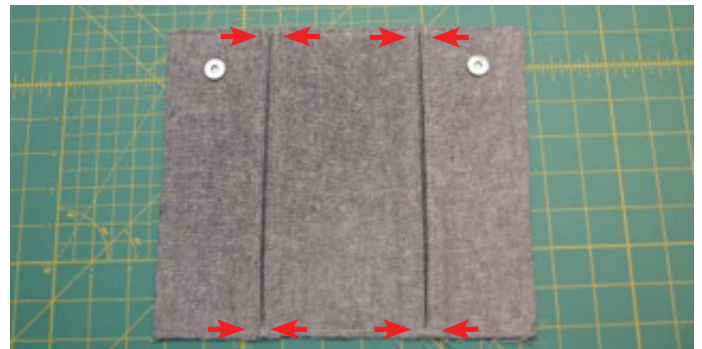


22. You will now create 4 folds on the front of your pocket. You should have 3 sets of marks on

the left side and 3 sets of marks on the right side of your cargo pocket. You will only be folding at the 1st and 3rd set of marks on each side. Place a ruler at the first set of marks and fold your pocket lining side together. Press to create a fold. Sew that fold in place with a 1/8" seam allowance making sure to backstitch.



23. Repeat step 22 until you have 4 folds that have been topstitched as shown in photo. You will have the remaining middle marks in between each fold (shown in red in photo).



24. You will now pleat those folds in towards the center marks in between each set of folds so the folds meet. Press the folds in place and then baste stitch the pleats in place along the bottom raw edge. Topstitch along the entire top edge, including the pleats.



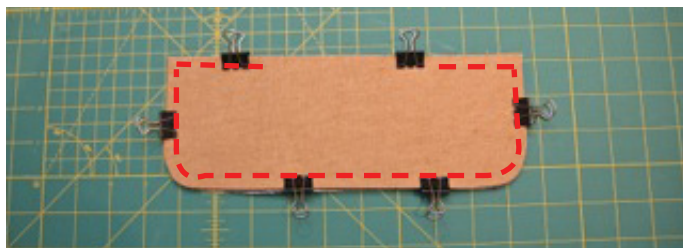
25. Take your EXTERIOR BOTTOM PANEL I and fold in half vertically WST. Mark the top and bottom center on the RS and the WS.



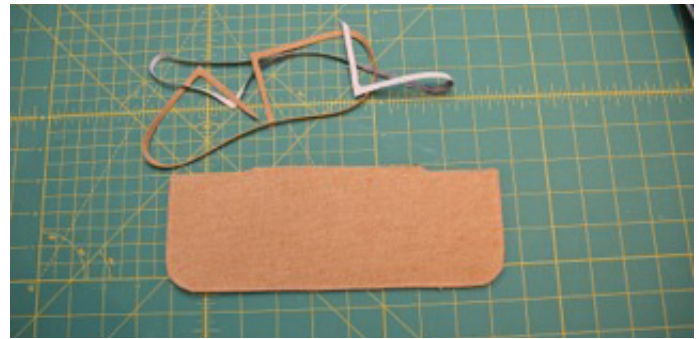
26. Lay your EXTERIOR BOTTOM PANEL I on your work surface RS up and then lay your pleated cargo pocket on top, also RS up. Align the center marks on your cargo pocket with the center marks on your EXTERIOR BOTTOM PANEL I and pin in place. Your cargo pocket's raw edge should be aligned with the bottom edge of your panel. Sew along both sides of the cargo pocket making sure to backstitch.



27. Take your POCKET FLAP A Lining piece and using the pattern piece as a guide, mark the location of your magnetic snaps. Repeat steps 17-18 and install the male half of your snaps.



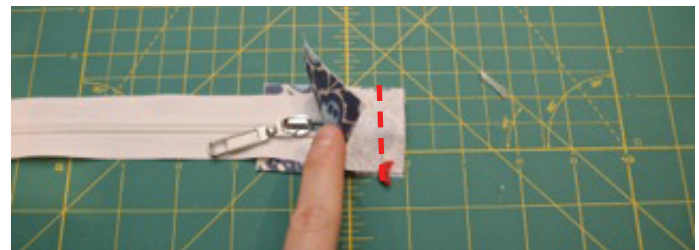
28. Pin/clip both POCKET FLAP A pieces RST. Sew together leaving a 3" opening along the top straight edge to turn your flap RS out.



29. Trim your seam allowance except at the opening at the top and turn your flap RS out. If you used fabric, press seams nice and flat and press the opening at the top of the flap shut. Use pins or clips to keep the opening closed for the next step. Topstitch sides and bottom edge with 1/8" seam allowance. Do not topstitch top edge yet.



30. Snap your flap in place with the help of your magnetic snaps. Pin and sew the flap in place along the top edge. You will be closing the opening at the top of the flap as you sew. Make sure to backstitch.

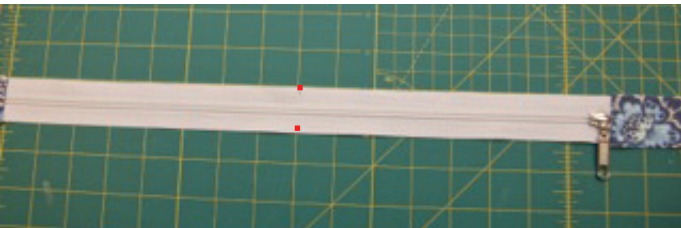


31. Place one zipper tab on your work surface RS up then place your 16" zipper for your exterior front zipper pocket on top with the edge of your zipper aligned with the right edge of the zipper tab. Then place a second zipper tab RST with the zipper on top. Pin all 3 layers and sew together.

NOTE: I am using zipper tape that I have trimmed to the exact length. If you are using actual zippers, trim the zipper ends so there is 3/8" of zipper tape past the metal stops before sewing on the zipper tabs.



32. Press zipper tabs away from zipper and top-stitch seam allowance. If necessary, trim zipper tabs so they are the exact width of your zipper tape. Repeat Step 31 to attach remaining zipper tabs to the other end of your zipper.



33. Fold your zipper in half WST and mark the centers on the RS of your zipper tape, top and bottom.



34. Take your binding fabric strip and press it exactly as you did for your adjustable strap in steps 8-10.

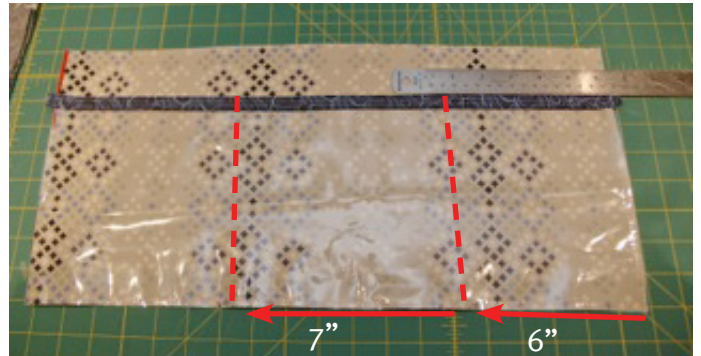


35. Take your clear vinyl pocket piece and slip

the top edge inside the folds of your binding strip. Clip in place. Sew the binding strip to the vinyl starting at the bottom edge with 1/8" seam allowance from the bottom and then a second time along the top edge, again at 1/8" seam allowance.



36. Place your clear vinyl pocket piece on top of one EXTERIOR FRONT ZIPPER POCKET LINING piece, both RS up. Align the clear vinyl pocket piece along the bottom edge and clip along the bottom and side edges as shown in photo. Use a walking foot and baste stitch the pocket in place along the sides and bottom edge.



37. You can separate your vinyl pocket piece as you wish. I have separated mine starting from the right edge at 6" and then again at 7". Sew from the top bound edge down to the bottom edge making sure to backstitch at the top, dividing into 3 separate pockets.



38. Take your EXTERIOR FRONT ZIPPER POCKET LINING piece without the clear vinyl pockets and lay on your work surface RS up. Then place your zipper with zipper tabs on top along the top edge, also RS up. Make sure your zipper pull is on the right side. Pin in place and then baste the zipper in place along the top edge with 1/8" seam allowance.



39. Mark the top and bottom center on the WS. Lay this panel, RST, over the zipper pocket lining with attached zipper from step 38. Be sure to line up the center marks on the panel with the center mark on your zipper tape. Sew together along top edge of zipper.

41. Place your zipper pocket lining piece with the clear vinyl pockets on your work surface RS up. Then place the assembled cargo pocket panel from step 40 over top, also RS up, with the top edges aligned. Make sure the side edges of both zipper pocket lining pieces are aligned. Pin in place and then baste the layers together along the top with 1/8" seam allowance.

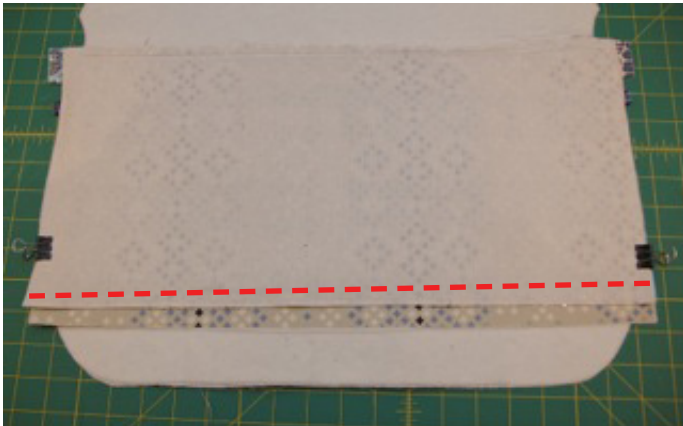


40. Press the panel and zipper pocket lining away from the zipper and topstitch seam allowance along the zipper.

42. Take your EXTERIOR TOP PANEL H and fold in half vertically RST and mark the center on the bottom edge on the WS. Place it on top of all the layers from step 41, RS facing down with the BOTTOM edge of EXTERIOR TOP PANEL H aligned with the top edge (with zipper). Make sure the center marks are aligned. Pin/clip in place and then sew all layers together.



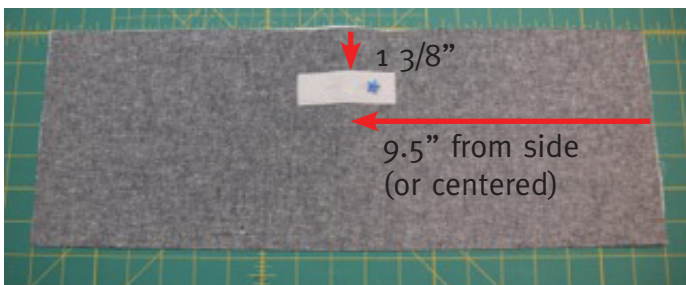
43. Press ONLY the EXTERIOR TOP PANEL H away from the zipper towards the top and then top-stitch the seam allowance along the zipper. All other layers should still be along the bottom of the zipper.



44. Flip your assembled front exterior panel so it is WS up. Clip the sides of your zipper pocket lining pieces. You should have one pocket lining longer than the other. Sew the bottom of the zipper pocket lining pieces together ($\frac{3}{8}$ " seam allowance from the bottom of the shorter piece). Do not sew anything other than the 2 pocket lining pieces. Trim the longer lining piece to match the shorter one.

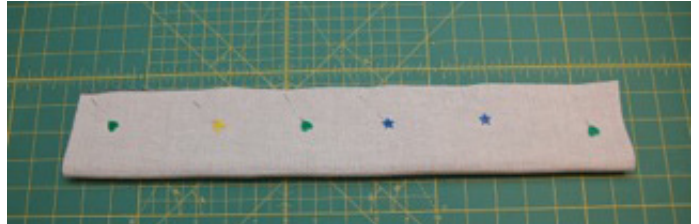


45. Baste the sides of your assembled front panel to attach the zipper pocket lining pieces and then trim the excess pocket lining on either side.



46. OPTIONAL (Skip to step 52 if not making

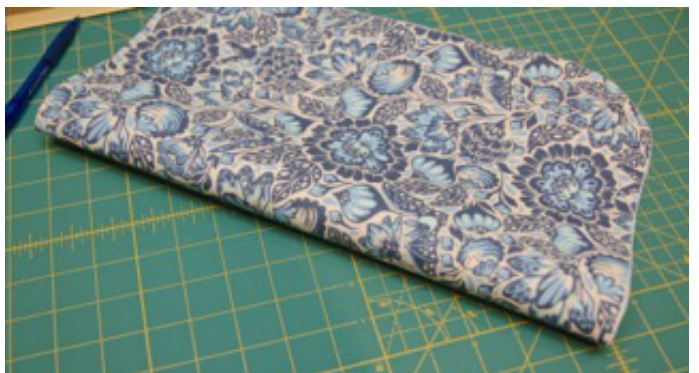
strap): Take your suitcase strap piece and place on your work surface RS up. Take your loop tape piece and pin to the center of the suitcase strap with the top edge of your loop tape piece $1 \frac{3}{8}$ " from the top edge. Your loop tape piece should be loop side facing up. Sew your velcro in place around all sides with $\frac{1}{8}$ " seam allowance.



47. Fold your suitcase strap in half horizontally RST and pin along the top longer side with raw edges. Sew together along the top to create a tube.



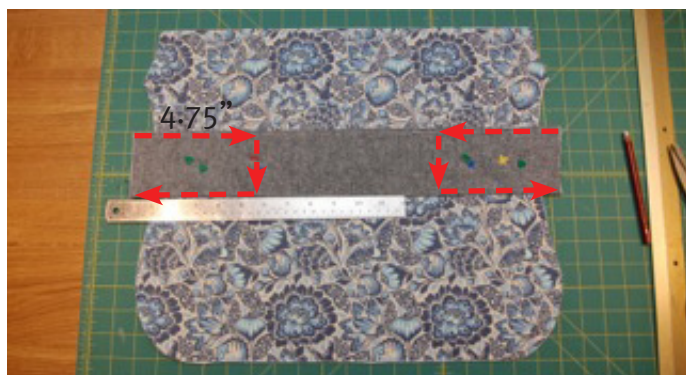
48. Turn your suitcase strap RS out through the opening at one end and press seams flat. Top-stitch along the top and bottom edges.



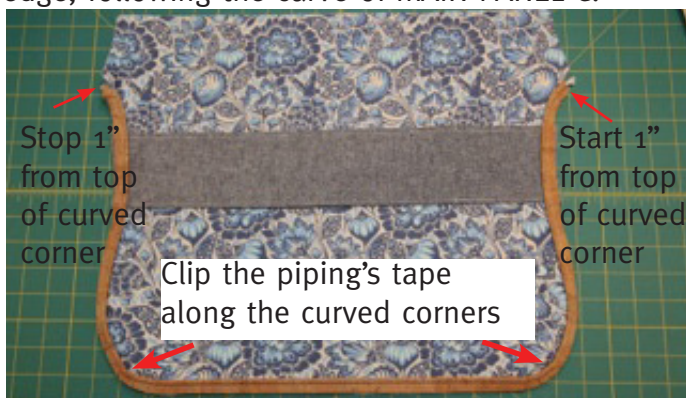
49. Fold your MAIN PANEL C exterior piece in half vertically WST and mark the top and bottom center on the RS.



50. Measure 6 inches from the top edge of your MAIN PANEL C exterior piece at the center and place the top edge of your hook tape at the 6" mark, centered. Pin in place and then sew with 1/8" seam allowance.



51. Place your suitcase strap loop tape side down on top of your MAIN PANEL C with attached hook tape. Fasten the hook and loop tape and then pin your suitcase strap in place making sure it is straight. The top edge of your strap should be 5" from the top edge of MAIN PANEL C on both sides. Sew each end of the strap to your MAIN PANEL starting at the top edge and sewing 4.75" in towards the center. Stop and rotate and sew down to the bottom edge. Then stop and rotate again and sew along the bottom edge until you reach the side. Trim excess strap on each side edge, following the curve of MAIN PANEL C.



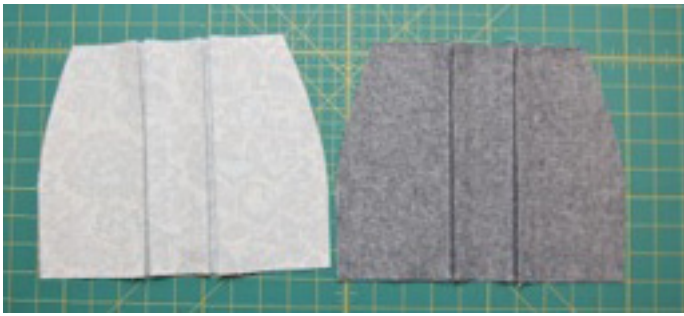
52. PIPING (OPTIONAL - if not using piping, skip to step 53): If you'd like to add piping to both assembled exterior panels, trim the tape part of your piping (if wider than 3/8") to be 3/8" wide not including the cording. Start basting your piping 1" from the top of the curved part on one side of your panel. You'll want the end of your piping to be basted curving outwards so it's hidden within your seam allowance. Baste the piping with 1/4" seam allowance all the way around stopping 1" below the top of the curved section on the other side. You will need to clip the piping's tape along both bottom curved corners so it lays flat. Repeat this step for your Front Assembled Exterior panel.



53. You will now pleat the side zipper cargo pockets like you did the front zipper cargo pocket except that this time, the ZIPPER CARGO POCKET E exterior and lining pieces will be folded separately and then assembled. Like you did in Step 21, transfer the pleat marks to the RS of a ZIPPER CARGO POCKET E exterior piece and to the WS of a ZIPPER CARGO POCKET E lining piece.



54. Repeat steps 22 and 23 to press and top-stitch the folds for each set of marks, leaving the center mark in between the folds.



55. Repeat step 24 to pleat the folds in towards the center mark. Baste the pleats in place at the top and bottom edges of the pocket.



56. Place your ZIPPER CARGO POCKET lining piece on your work surface RS up and place your zipper, also RS up, along the top edge, zipper pull to the right. Pin in place, then baste the zipper to the lining piece with 1/8" seam allowance.



57. Place your ZIPPER CARGO POCKET exterior piece RS facing down over the layers from Step 56, with the top edge aligned with the top edge of your zipper. Pin in place and sew all layers together with 1/4" seam allowance. (Note: if you are using a #4.5 or #5 zipper, you will need to use a 3/8" seam allowance when sewing your side zipper cargo pockets)



58. Press both layers away from your zipper and topstitch the seam allowance along the bottom edge of your zipper. Place the zipper cargo pocket over one of your ZIPPER CARGO POCKET BACK LINING F pieces (the ones with fleece), both RS up (they should be the same size) Pin and then baste stitch together along all sides. When basting at zipper's open end, make sure your zipper pull is slightly towards the center.



59. Trim the ends of your zipper.



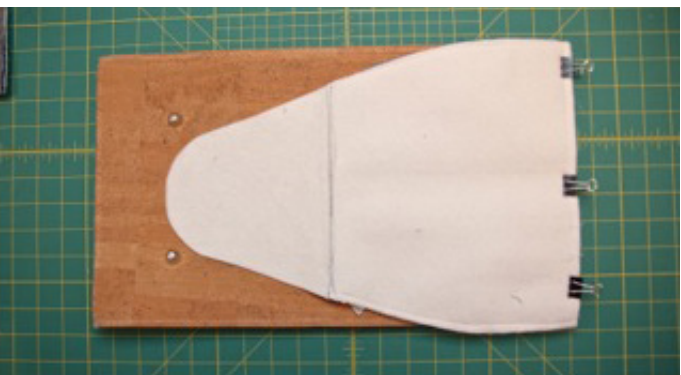
60. Take one SIDE GUSSET TOP G and place it RST with the bottom edge aligned with the top edge of the zipper. Pin/clip in place and then sew all layers together. Again, please use the appropriate seam allowance as noted in Step 57.



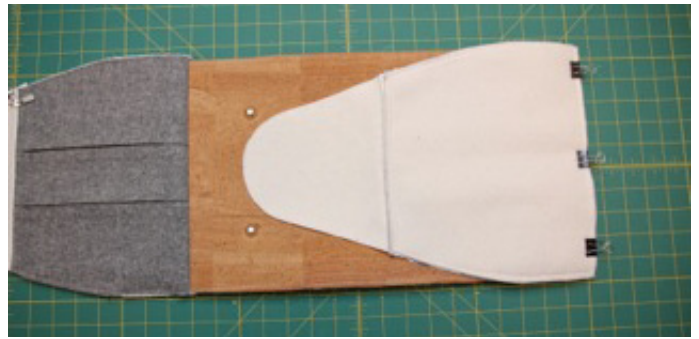
61. Press SIDE GUSSET TOP G away from the zipper and topstitch your seam allowance along the top of the zipper.



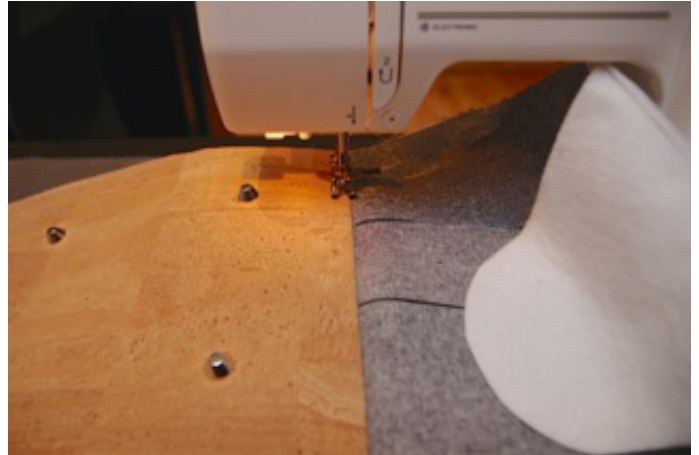
62. Repeat steps 53-61 for the second side zipper cargo pocket with one exception: when basting your zipper to the ZIPPER CARGO POCKET lining piece in step 56, make sure your zipper pull is on the left.



63. Take one assembled Side Cargo Pocket and place it RST with your BOTTOM with the bottom edge of the Side Cargo Pocket aligned with one shorter side of the BOTTOM. Clip/pin and then sew together.



64. Repeat previous step and sew 2nd assembled Side Cargo Pocket to the other shorter side of your BOTTOM piece.



65. Press both Side Cargo Pockets away from the BOTTOM with the bulk of the seam allowance towards the BOTTOM. Topstitch the seam allowance along both shorter sides of the BOTTOM where the Side Cargo Pockets have been attached.

LINING ASSEMBLY:



66. Take a set of ZIPPER CARGO POCKET BACK LINING pieces you cut from lining fabric for the interior pockets and pin them RST. Sew along the top narrower edge.



67. Flip your pocket lining pieces so they are WST, press the top seam nice and flat and then topstitch the top edge of your pocket.

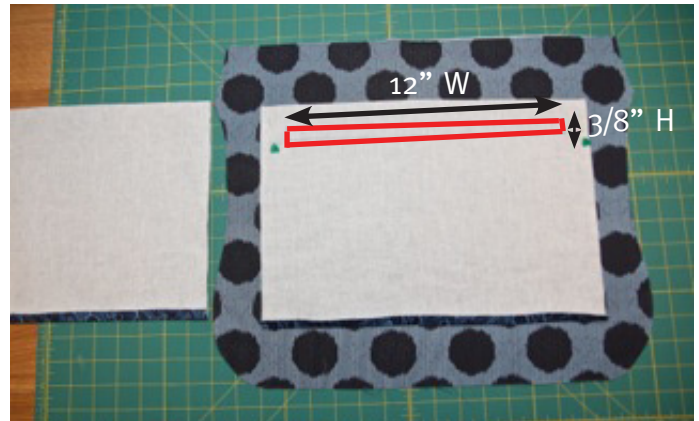


68. Place assembled pocket RS up on top of one SIDE GUSSET LINING J, also RS up and pin in place. Baste stitch both sides and bottom edges to keep the pocket in place.

69. Repeat steps 66-68 to assemble second pocket/ lining side gusset.



70. Repeat steps 63-65 to attach both Lining Side Gussets to the Lining BOTTOM.



71. Take both INTERIOR ZIPPERED POCKET lining pieces and fold in the bottom $\frac{1}{2}$ " towards the WS and press. Take one zippered pocket lining piece and draw a rectangle that is 12" W x $\frac{3}{8}$ " H on the WS. The rectangle should be centered, 1" down from the top edge. Pin this zippered pocket lining piece to one of your MAIN PANEL C lining pieces RST. It should be centered, 3" from the top edge of your MAIN PANEL C lining piece. Pin in place. Sew all the way around the rectangle.

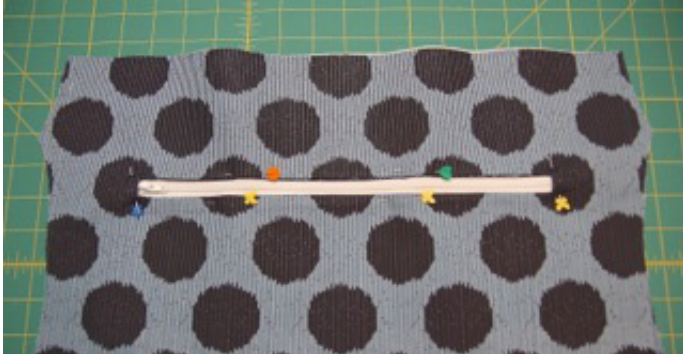


72. Draw a horizontal line through the center of the rectangle stopping $\frac{1}{2}$ " from each end. Draw a diagonal line from the center line to each of the 4 corners. Cut along these lines, making sure you do not cut the stitching of your rectangle.

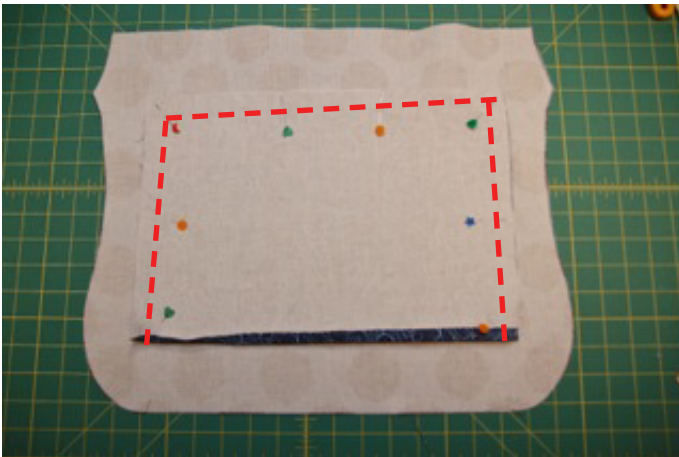


73. Pull your pocket lining piece through the opening you just cut inside your rectangle towards the WS of your MAIN PANEL C lining piece.

Press the seams of your rectangle opening nice and flat.



74. Place your 12" zipper RS up inside the rectangle opening of your MAIN PANEL C, also RS up. Pin or glue your zipper in place. Sew all the way around the rectangle opening with a 1/8" seam allowance to sew the zipper in place.



75. Turn your MAIN PANEL lining piece so it's WS facing up. Place your 2nd zipper pocket lining piece over the first so they are RST with the folded edges at the bottom. Sew the 2 zipper pocket lining pieces together along the top and sides but leave the bottom open for turning your bag in the final step.



76. Before continuing to final assembly, we need to mark the centers on all main panels and gussets. Fold your MAIN PANEL lining piece in half vertically WST and mark the top center on the RS. Then fold them in half vertically RST and mark the bottom center on the WS.



77. For both MAIN PANEL exterior pieces, fold in half vertically RST and mark the center on the WS top and bottom.



78. For both assembled gussets, both lining and exterior, fold in half vertically RST and mark the center on the bottom piece top and bottom



79. You will then need to fold the assembled EXTERIOR GUSSET in half horizontally RST and mark the center at the very top of the side gussets.

FINAL ASSEMBLY:



80. Take your remaining zipper and fold in half to mark the center on the zipper tape along the top and bottom. Place one MAIN PANEL lining piece

on your work surface RS up. Place your remaining zipper (zipper pull on the left) also RS up along the top edge making sure your center marks are aligned. Pin in place and baste with 1/8" seam allowance.



81. Place your back MAIN PANEL exterior with the suitcase strap over top, WS facing up with the top edge aligned with the top edge of the zipper. Make sure the exterior and lining MAIN PANELS are perfectly aligned at the sides. (curved edges should match). Pin/clip in place and sew all layers together along the top edge of the zipper.



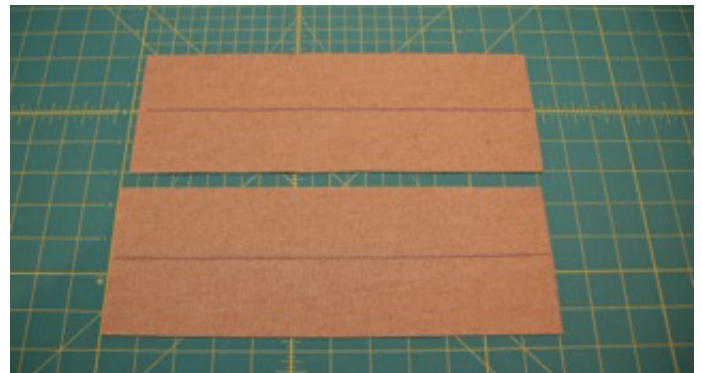
82. Press MAIN PANELS away from zipper and topstitch seam allowance along zipper.



83. Repeat steps 80-82 to attach the other set of exterior and lining MAIN PANELS to the other side of your zipper.



84. If you've used zipper tape like me or a longer zipper that needs to be cut down, move your zipper pull in towards the center and sew the ends of your zipper so it does not open. Trim excess zipper ends.



85. Take your HANDLE pieces and draw a horizontal line through the center. (If you're using fabric for your handles, fold and press them as you did in steps 8-10)



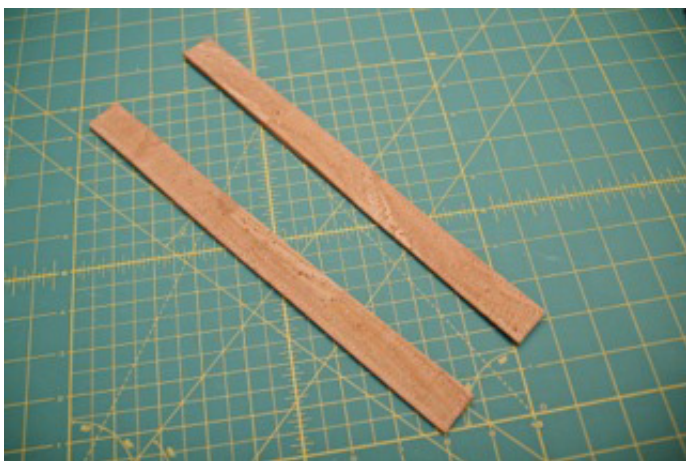
86. If using vinyl or cork, place strips of double-sided tape along both sides of the center line, 1/8" away from the center.



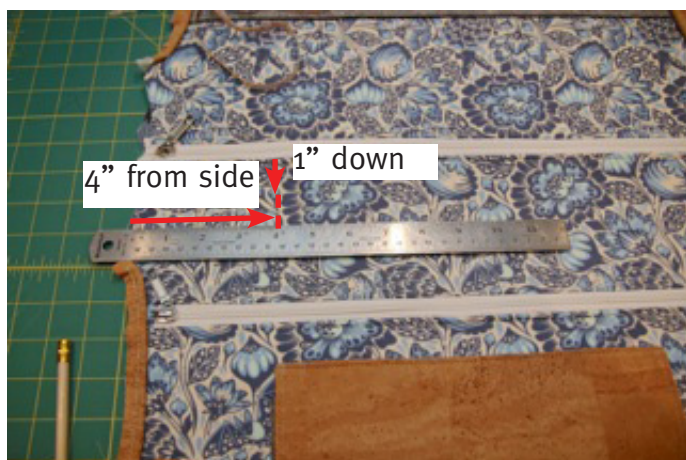
87. Remove the tape backing and fold in both halves of the strap towards the center line WST. Press firmly.



88. Fold the handle in half again and clip the open edge together.

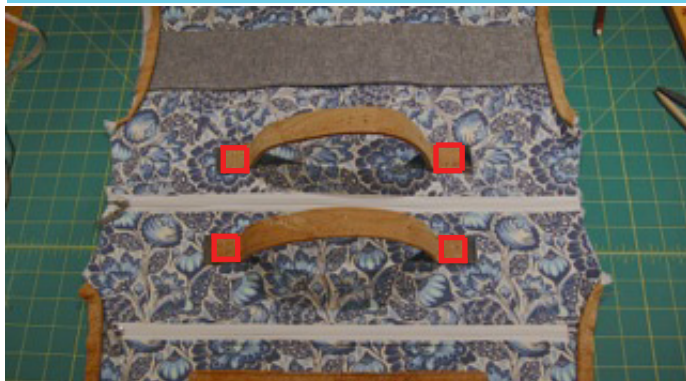


89. Sew the handle around all sides with 1/8" seam allowance. Repeat from step 85 to make the second handle.

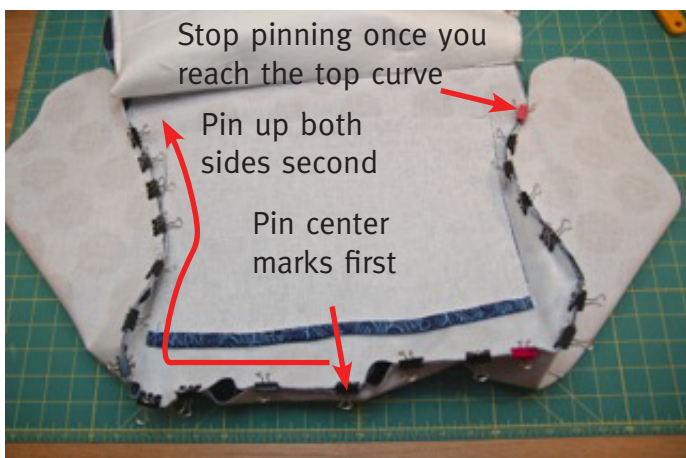


90. IMPORTANT: Move all layers towards the top of the zipper except for one MAIN PANEL exterior. When sewing the handles in place you only want to sew it to the exterior main panel, not the lining panel. Make a mark 4" from the side, 1" down from the main zipper closure. Make an identical mark on the other side of this same panel.

NOTE: I wanted my handles to be fancy and I added strap ends. You do NOT need to add these. They are completely optional!



91. When sewing the handles to the main panel, the ends of the handles should be placed at the marks you made in Step 90. Your handles will be wider than the space between the marks, which is what we want since it will make them curve upwards. Glue the strap ends in place and then sew them onto the exterior main panel with a square of stitching as shown in the photo with red lines. Repeat these 2 steps to attach the second handle to the opposite Main panel. Make sure your "boxes" of stitching are at least 1" wide.



92. We will now sew the Lining gusset to one lining Main Panel. Start by pinning the center mark of one Main Panel lining to the center mark on one side of the gusset BOTTOM. Then pin from

that center mark all the way up one side. Then pin from the center mark all the way up the other side. NOTE: The top curve of the gusset will not be pinned all the way. You will stop pinning once you reach the top curved portion of your main panel leaving the upper rounded part of your gusset unpinned.



93. Sew the gusset to the lining panel starting at the top curved part on one side of your Main Panel lining around to the other top curved part on the other side. Start with $\frac{3}{8}$ " seam allowance at the beginning and end of your seam and then use a $\frac{1}{2}$ " or $\frac{5}{8}$ " seam allowance in between so your lining is not saggy.



94. Repeat steps 92-93 to sew the other side of the lining gusset to the second Main Panel lining piece.



95. Before continuing further, reach inside and open up your interior pocket's zipper all the way.



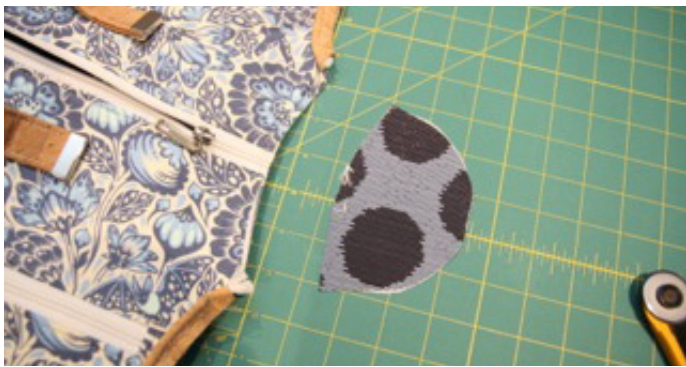
96. We will now sew the top corners of our lining gusset closed. Make sure the top curved edges of your lining panels are aligned with the top curved edges of your exterior panels.



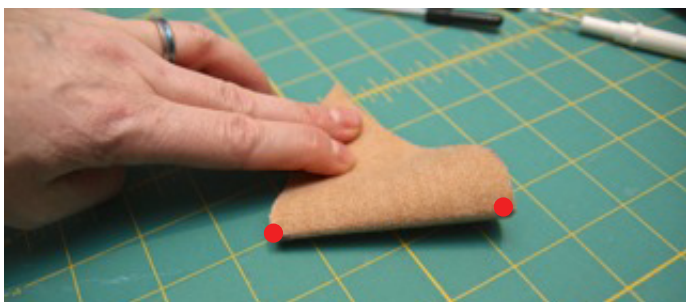
97. Then flatten your Gusset lining and pin all layers together. This is the view from the WS.



98. Flip your bag so it is RS facing up and this should be your view. Baste stitch along the curved edge as shown in photo above, sewing through all the layers (make sure you are also sewing the lining panels).



99. Trim away the excess gusset lining piece following the curve. Repeat steps from step 96 to sew the opposite top corner.



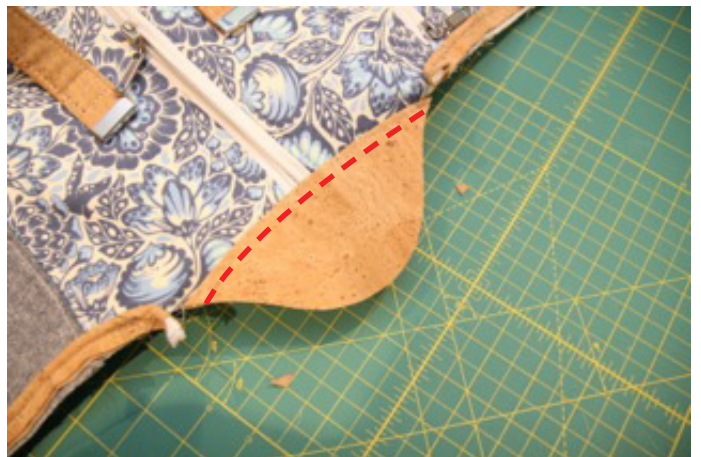
100. Take both CONNECTOR TAB D pieces, fold them in half vertically RST and mark the top and bottom center on the WS. If you want to use D-ring connectors instead of grommets, please refer to steps 116 - 120 on page 23.



101. Clip your CONNECTOR TAB to the curved end of your zipper. Start by aligning the center mark on the CONNECTOR TAB to the center of your zipper. Then clip the rest of the CONNECTOR TAB. The pointed ends of the CONNECTOR TAB will stick out slightly at the ends. Sew the CONNECTOR TAB to the curved ends, sewing through all the layers.



102. Notch the seam allowance.



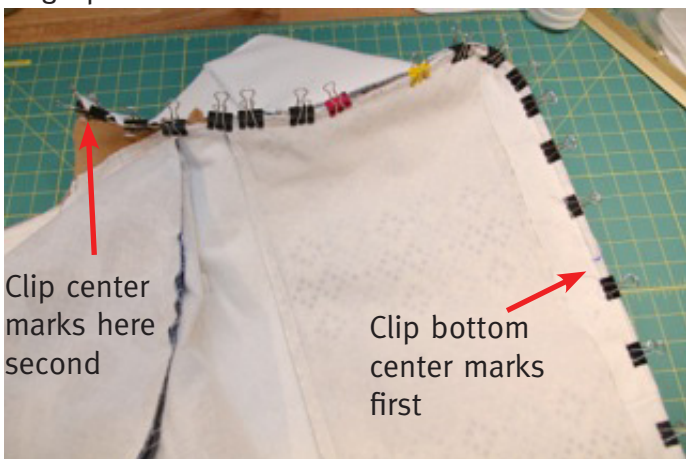
103. Your seam allowance should point in the direction of the CONNECTOR TAB. Topstitch seam allowance.



104. Repeat from step 101 to sew CONNECTOR TAB onto the other curved zipper end. **OPEN YOUR MAIN ZIPPER.**



105. You will now sew the Gusset exterior to the Main Panel exterior however this time you'll be sewing the entire gusset (there won't be gaps at the top rounded corners of the gusset). You will want to start by clipping RST the center bottom of your gusset to the center bottom of the Main Panel with the cargo pocket, paying attention to the direction of your zipper pulls on your side cargo pockets.



106. Start by clipping your bottom center mark on your Gusset exterior to your bottom center mark on your Main panel exterior RST. Then clip the center mark you made on your CONNECTOR TAB

in step 100 to the center mark on your Gusset exterior (made in step 79) on both sides of the bag. Then clip everything in between. Take the time to use a lot of clips to avoid puckers.



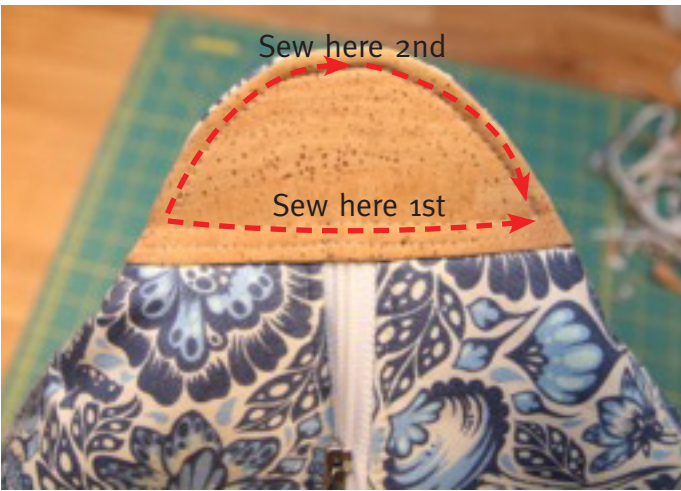
107. Sew all layers together from the center mark on one CONNECTOR TAB to the center mark on the opposite CONNECTOR TAB, removing clips as you sew. Sew with your piping's basting stitches RS up so you can make sure you are sewing inside those basting stitches. Repeat from previous step to clip and sew the other side of your Gusset to the second Main Panel Exterior. Trim your seam allowance and turn your bag RS through the opening at the bottom of your interior zipper pocket.



108. Take one CONNECTOR TAB PELTEX piece and reach inside your bag between the lining and exterior layers (go through the opening in the bottom of your zipper pocket) and place this peltex piece inside the connector area. It should fix perfectly inside.



109. Smooth and flatten your rounded connector seam and clip in place with the peltex piece sandwiched inside.



110. You will now topstitch the connector and sew the peltex in place at the same time. Sew exactly as pictured above as you will not be able to maneuver the bulk of your bag under your machine. Sew across the bottom edge of your connector first, 1/4" above your first line of topstitching (from step 102). Backstitch at the beginning and end of that line of stitching. Then sew from one end of that line of stitching around the top curved edge and down to the other end of that line of stitching. Again, make sure you are backstitching. Repeat step 108-110 for second connector. Sew the bottom of your zipper pocket lining closed.



111. Using your CONNECTOR TAB PELTEX pattern piece, mark the location of your grommet on the connector.



112. Use your hole punch to punch a hole through all the layers.



113. Flip your bag so you have the WS of your connector facing up. Place the post half of your grommet through the hole and all the layers from the RS. Place that half of your grommet on your anvil. Place the grommet's washer over the post.



114. Gently hammer your setter to set your grommet. Repeat steps 111-114 for second connector.



115. Clip your swivels to your grommets.

D-RING TAB OPTION:



116. If you prefer to make D-ring connectors instead of using grommets for your adjustable strap swivels, draw a center line through your D-ring connectors horizontally (along the longer edge).



117. Sew both halves of your strap in towards the center line WST so you have a strap piece that is 1" W x 3" L.



118. Slip your strap through the D-ring, fold your strap in half with raw edges together. Sew the ends together as shown with red lines above.



119. Fold your CONNECTOR TAB in half vertically WST and mark the top center on the RS.



120. Baste your D-ring connector strap to the rounded end of your CONNECTOR TAB, centered over the mark you made in step 119. Repeat for 2nd CONNECTOR TAB and D-ring connector strap and continue with the construction of your bag.

You're done!

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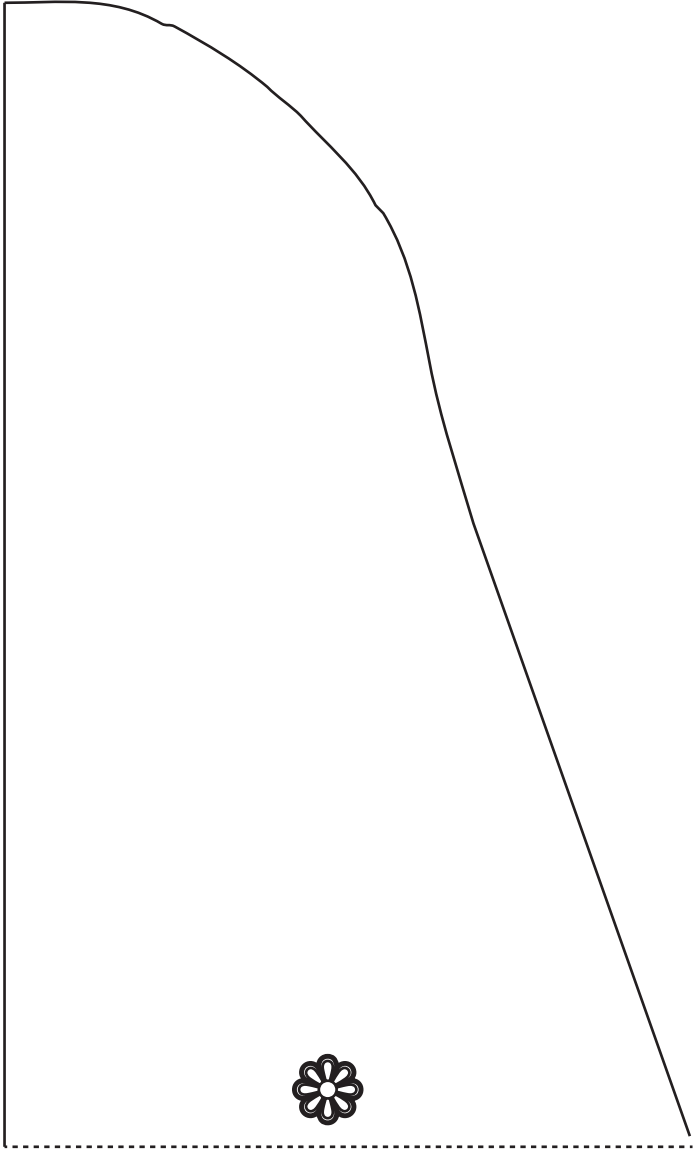
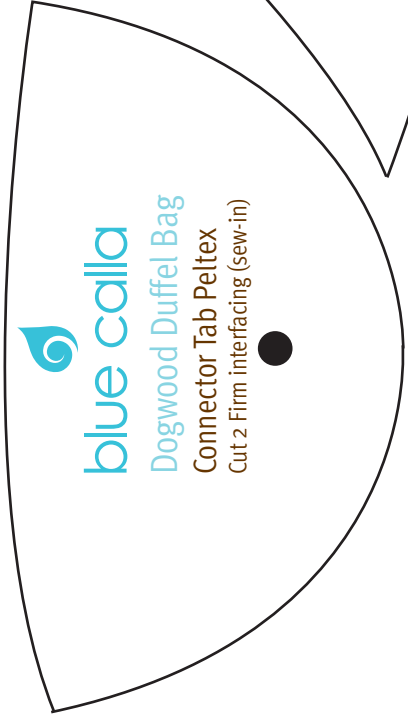
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Cargo Pocket B

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1 Lining fabric

2 Fusible interfacing

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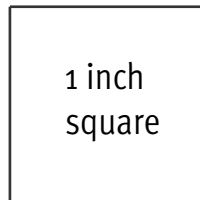
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Main Panel C

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- 1 Fusible fleece



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Zipper Cargo Pocket E

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Zipper Cargo Pocket Back Lining F

Cut on the fold:

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Side Gusset Top G

Cut on the fold:

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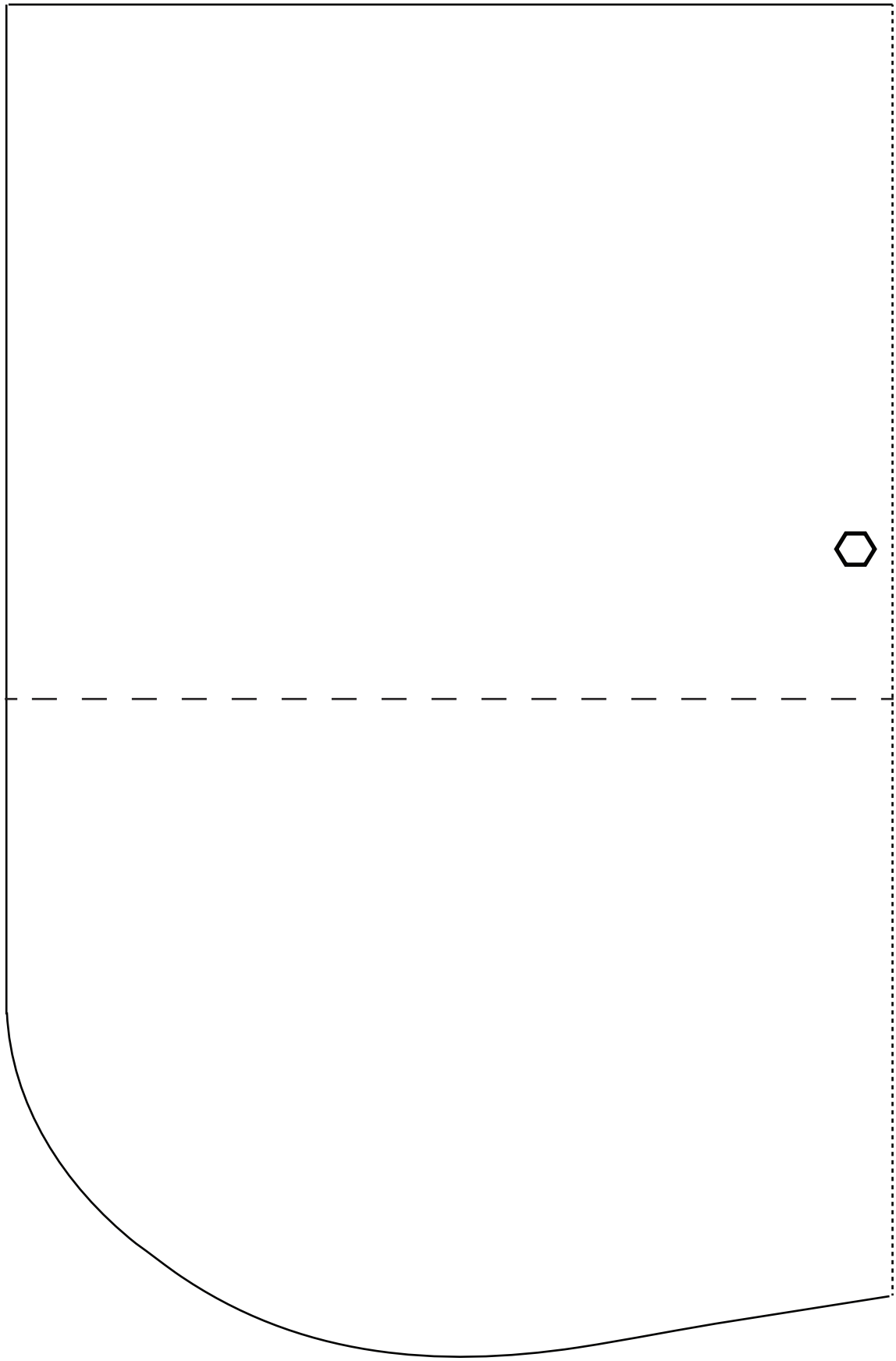
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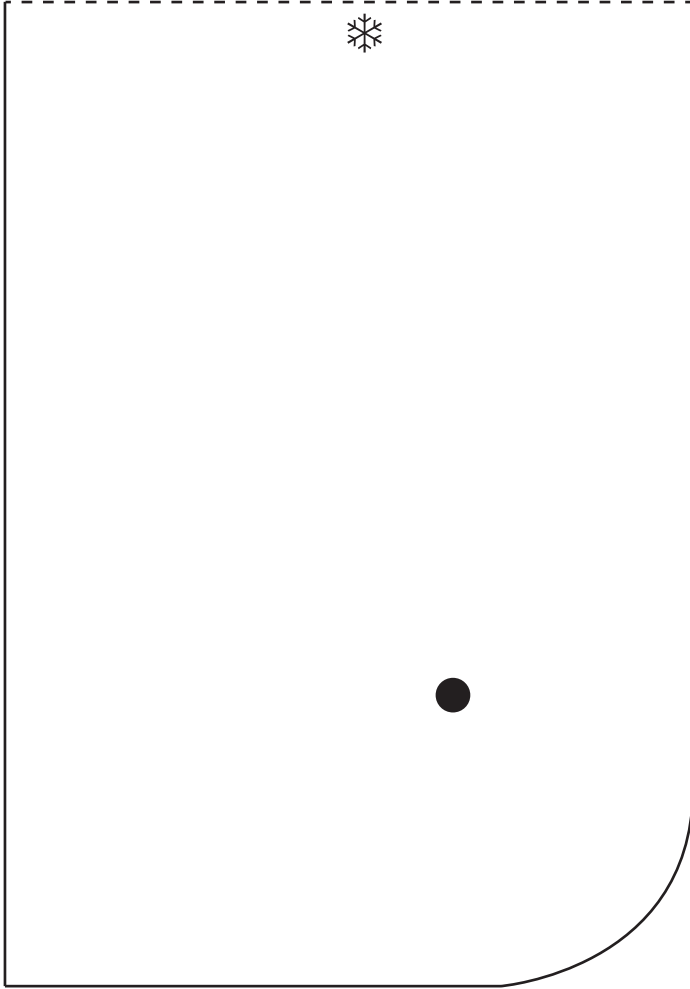
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Pocket Flap A

(Print 2 copies and tape together at dashed line)

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Cut 1 Lining fabric

Cut 2 Fusible interfacing (1 if using vinyl for exterior)

Cut 1 Fusible fleece



