

ANYTHING GOES



Just about anything can fit in this large tote bag.
Made from fabric tubes, filled with double-sided fusible batting or medium weight cotton batting, zigzag stitched together
Use double-sided fusible batting for a bag that will stand tall or make it a bit slouchy using cotton batting.
Leave it plain or add pockets inside and a closure outside.



MATERIALS

FABRIC Hoffman CA Fabrics Bali Pops™ are wonderful for this project. Samples on back cover are made from “Seaholly” and “Pacific”

Bag: 3 yards of fabric or 40 strips 2½” x 42/44”

Binding: ½ yard

Purchase additional binding fabric for Optional:

Fabric Handles: ¼ yard (plus additional materials listed below)

Pockets: 1 yard Closure: ¼ yard or use leftover from binding fabric

INTERFACING

DOUBLE-SIDED FUSIBLE BATTING

2½ yards

We recommend Duet Fuse II by Bosal or Duo-Fuse by Innovative Crafts

OR

MEDIUM WEIGHT COTTON BATTING

3 yards

We recommend Bosal’s Katahdin Batting, Autumn weight or Warm and White

Please note: Tubes filled with cotton batting will not be as stiff as tubes filled with double-sided fusible batting; the bag will be soft and slouchy but side seams will be easier to sew.

MATCHING COTTON THREAD- use a 50 weight 2 ply thread

HANDLES - Purchase leather handles 22” long OR make your own using:

Plastic Plumbing Tubing (.170 ¼” Polyethylene) 5 feet

Stiff Interfacing (Craf-tex, Rigid Weave, or Peltex) 2 strips 1¾” x 27½”

(or you can purchase Aunties Two Happy Handles Kit #AT238 which contains both the tubing and strips of stiff interfacing pre-cut to 1¾” wide)

BUTTONS - Inside Pockets: 4 small and 2 medium

Closure: 2 large (or more for a layered look)

1 magnetic sew in button

Other Tools: Sewing Machine with a good zigzag stitch, machine needles- Microtex 90/14 (for straight stitching) and Jean’s or Denim 110/18 (for zigzag stitching). Try Inspira brand needles for best results. Parchment paper. Scissors (both large and small), rotary mat, 60mm rotary cutter, acrylic rulers, chalk, seam ripper, measuring tape

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