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Gift Bag

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Fabric Requirements

Block:

Leftover fabrics from making the main quilt

Bag: 2/3 yard

Lining: 2/3 yard

Ruffle: 1/6 yard

Background: 9" x 22"

950F Pellon fusible interfacing

Cutting

Bag:

2-10½" x width of fabric strips From 1 strip, cut 1-10½" x 20½", 2-2½" x 9½" and 2-2½" x 10½" From 1 strip, cut 1-10½" x 33½"

Lining:

2-10½" x 33½" strips

Ruffle: 1-4½" x 33½" strip

Background:

2-1½" x 6½" 1-1½" x 7½"

950F Pellon fusible interfacing:

4-10½" x 33½"

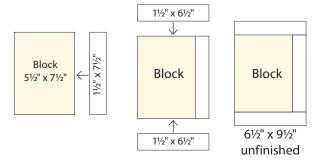
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Use a ¼" seam allowance. Press in the direction of the arrows.

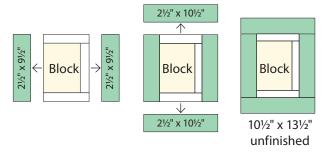
1 Gift Bag front and back

Make one 5½" x 7½" block.

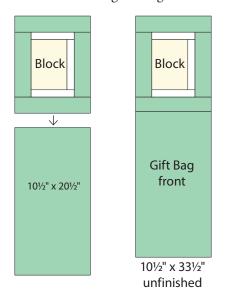
(A) Sew 1-1½" x $7\frac{1}{2}$ " background rectangle to one side of the block as shown. Sew 1-1½" x $6\frac{1}{2}$ " background rectangle to the top and bottom.



(B) Sew 1-2½" x $9\frac{1}{2}$ " bag rectangle to each side of the block. Sew 1-2½" x $10\frac{1}{2}$ " bag rectangle to the top and bottom.



(C) Sew $1-10\frac{1}{2}$ " x $20\frac{1}{2}$ " bag rectangle to the bottom of the block.



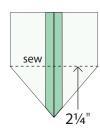
Assemble the Gift Bag front and back

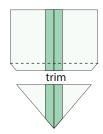
(A) Fuse interfacing to the wrong side of the gift bag front and back. Layer the Gift Bag front and 10½" x 33½" back right sides together. Sew the sides and bottom.





(B) Position the bag sideways so one side seam is centered at the bottom, forming a point. (Seam allowances can go either direction). Measure and mark a stitching line 2½ from the point. Sew on the marked line, backstitching at each end, trim the point ½ from the stitching to reduce bulk. Measure and mark on the other seam allowance, stitch and trim the point ¼ from the stitching to reduce bulk.





2 Assemble the Gift Bag lining

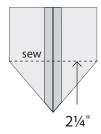
(A) Fuse interfacing to the wrong side 2-10½" x 33½" lining strips. Layer the lining strips right sides together. Sew the sides and bottom.

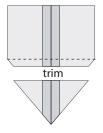




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(B) Position the bag sideways so one side seam is centered at the bottom, forming a point. (Seam allowances can go either direction). Measure and mark a stitching line 2½" from the point. Sew on the marked line, backstitching at each end, trim the point ½" from the stitching to reduce bulk. Measure and mark on the other seam allowance. DO NOT STITCH, trim the point ½" from the stitching to reduce bulk. *You will turn the bag through this opening.*





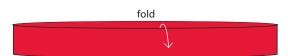
Note: Sew one corner ONLY.



Ruffle
(A) Fold the length of the 4½" x 30½" ruffle strip, right sides together, match the ends and stitch.



(B) Fold the width of the continuous ruffle strip in half, wrong sides together, matching the raw edges. Press well. Apply basting stitches 1/4" from the raw edges to gather the ruffle. Be sure you are using quality thread that will not break when you are gathering the fabric.



(C) Gather the ruffle strip to fit the top edge of the gift bag, evenly distributing the fullness. Pin in place. Sew the ruffle to the bag using a scant 1/2" seam allowance.



Place the gift bag front inside the lining, right sides

6 Pull the gift bag right side out through the open corner and then top stitch the corner close. Push the lining inside the gift bag.

