



perfectly pieced tote

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SUPPLIES & TOOLS:

- 5/8 yd Reversible quilted fabric
- 5/8 yd Fabric for lining
- 1 pkg Purse n-alize-it! bamboo handbag handles, 8½"x5½"
- 4"x11¾" Heavy cardboard
- Sewing machine
- Basic sewing supplies
- Glue

DIRECTIONS:

1. From quilted fabric, cut six 4½"x14½" rectangles, two 4½"x12½" rectangles, one 3½" strip across width of fabric and two 4"x18" rectangles. From lining fabric, cut two 14½"x12½" rectangles and two 12½"x4½" rectangles.
2. With right sides together, using 1/4" seam allowance, stitch three 4½"x14½" rectangles together. Alternate prints. Repeat for back. Stitch shorter rectangles to sides of front, matching top raw edges. Stitch to back.
3. Stitch bottom seam. Press open. With right sides together, bring bottom seam to center of side. Stitch across to close bag bottom. Repeat on other side. Set aside.
4. Stitch lining rectangles as for top (omitting piecing). Stitch bottom. Place cardboard in bottom and glue in place. Place lining in bag with wrong sides together. With raw edges even, baste bag and lining.
5. Measure around top of bag. Cut two 3½" strips to that measurement, plus 1/2 ". To form circle, stitch short sides together of one strip. Make two circles. With right sides together; raw edges even, stitch one circle to top of bag. Set aside.
6. Fold 4"x18" rectangles in half, 4"x9". Stitch long edges. Turn to make tube. Wrap tube around handle. With raw edges even, center and stitch handle to top of bag with raw edges even. Repeat for second handle.
7. Stitch second 3½" circle from step 5 to top of bag, raw edges even. Turn facing to inside. Fold raw edge to the inside and slip stitch in place.

Skill Level 2: Sewing experience helpful

Approximate Crafting Time: 2-3 hours

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