Brocade Purse

Supplies:
• 1 yd. 45" brocade fabric
• 1 yd. 45" lining fabric
• 4 3/4" x 10 1/2" matte board or plastic canvas

Directions:

(All seams are 1/4")
1. Print and enlarge pattern to 200%.
2. For purse body, cut 2 each of pattern pieces A and B from lining fabric. Repeat with brocade fabric.
3. For sash, cut 1 pattern piece C on fold from lining fabric. Repeat with brocade fabric.
5. With the right sides together, match up center bottom of front lining piece A with sewn seam of piece B and sew around, attaching bottom and sides. Repeat with back piece of lining, then repeat with brocade fabric.

6. Press, then fold to make a crease at the seams of purse exterior. Top stitch 1/8" from the edge to form a permanent crease along the seams.
7. For straps, cut 2 pieces of brocade fabric 2" x 15". Fold strap in half lengthwise, right sides together. Sew the long seam, leaving an opening for turning. Turn, then press.
8. Place ends of straps along the top edge of purse body at markings on pattern, matching raw edges of purse and straps. Sew in place at edge.
9. For sash loops, cut a 1 1/2" x 9" piece from the brocade. Fold in half lengthwise and press. Fold edges in to center fold, press, and top-stitch on both sides of belt loop piece. Cut into four 2 1/4" lengths. Sew loops in place as indicated by dots on pattern piece A.
10. To make the facings, cut 2 brocade pieces each of patterns A & B, cutting from the dotted line on patterns to the top. Match up like pieces of purse body and sew together. Press. Press under 1/4" along bottom edge of the facing.
11. Place the lining in the purse, matching up raw edges around top of purse. Turn the facing in and top stitch through all layers along the folded edge of facing.
12. For the sash, with right sides of lining and brocade fabric together, sew around edge leaving small opening to turn. Turn, press and fold in half lengthwise. Run sash through sash loops and tie in front to finish.

Skill Level: Some experience helpful
Approximate Crafting Time: 2 hours

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A purse body

strap here

strap here
B side/bottom
C
sash
fold