

ITH Zippered Bag With Pockets (4x4, 5x7, 8x8 & 8x11 inches)



THINGS YOU WILL NEED:

- **4x4 size-**

Front-2.5x5 inches (folded in half to get 1.25x5 inches), 6x5 inches (folded in half to get 3x5 inches)

Back-5x5 inches

Lining-5x5 inches

Nylon zipper-at least 6 inches long

Fabric for pockets-4.5x2.25 inches (folded in half to get 2.25x2.25 inches)

- **5x7 size-**

Front-8.5x3.5 inches (1 piece), 8.5x9 inches (1 piece)

Back-8.5x6.5 inches (1 piece)

Lining-8.5x6.5 inches (1 piece)

Fleece or thin batting-8.5x6.5 inches-optional (not required if using thick fabric)

Nylon zipper- at least 9" inches

Belt, ribbon or cord (optional)

Fabric for pockets-2 pieces (3"x6" each folded in half to get 3"x3")

- **8x8 size-**

Front-3x10 inches (folded in half to get 1.5x10 inches), 9x10 inches (folded in half to get 4.5x10 inches)

Back-6.5x9.5 inches

Lining-6.5x9.5 inches (same size batting if using)

Zipper-at least 10 inches long

Pockets-2 pieces, 7"x3.5" (folded in half to get 3.5x3.5 inches)

- **8x11 size-**

Front-4x13 inches (folded in half to get 2x13 inches), 12x13 inches (folded in half to get 6x13 inches)

Back-10x13 inches

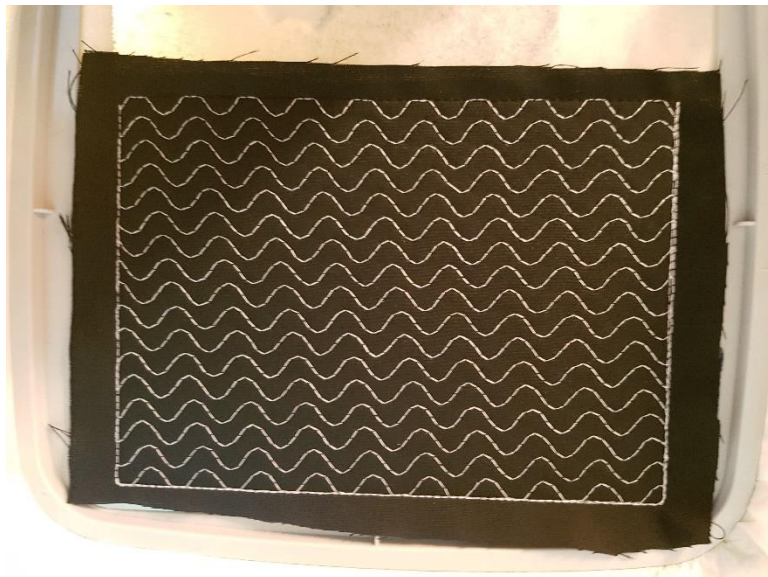
Lining-10x13 inches (Same size batting if using)

Zipper-at least 13 inches long

Pockets-2 pieces, 10x4.5 inches (folded in half to get 5x4.5 inches)

FOR THE BACK-

1. Hoop tear away stabilizer, sew the 1st placement line.
2. Lay a layer of fleece or batting followed by a layer of fabric, right side facing up.
3. Sew the next color, tack down stitch.
4. Next will be the decorative wave stitches.
5. Unhoop and keep aside till needed.

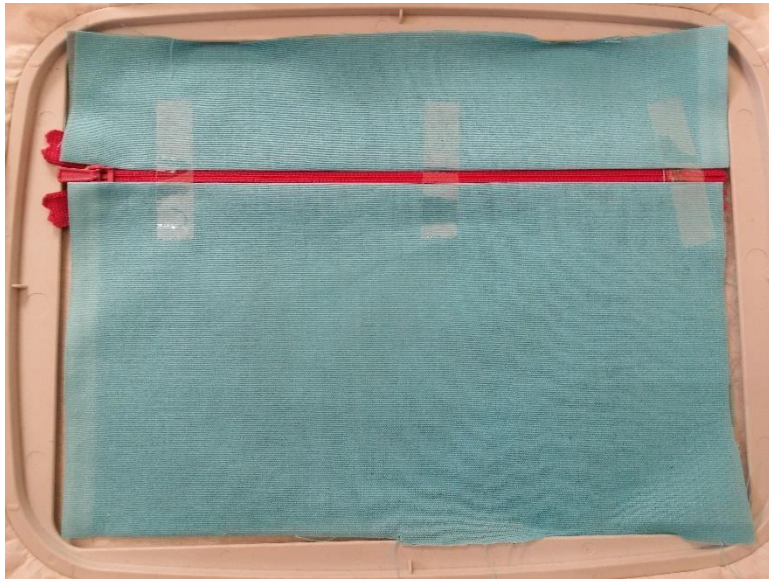


FOR THE FRONT-

1. Hoop Tearaway stabilizer and sew the outline and the placement lines of the zip.(1st stop)
2. Place the zipper exactly in the middle of the 2 placement lines making sure both the ends are equally away from the sewing area! Tape it in place.
3. Sew the zipper tack down stitches. (2nd color)



4. Fold and iron the 2 pieces of fabric we have for the front in half!
5. Place the folded ends on either side of the zipper right beside the teeth, tape these in place!



6. Sew the fabric tack down stitches making sure the fabric doesn't shift or move while sewing. First the upper piece will sew and next the lower piece. (3rd & 4th stop)
7. Next change colors and sew out the quilting waves, followed by the decorative stitching around the zipper. (color stop 5 & 6)
8. Next will be the placement lines for the 2 applique pockets.(7th stop)



9. Place 2 pieces of fabric over the placement line covering the whole outline.(can be taped down if you can't hold them in place)



10. Make sure the straight edges are levelled with the outline at the top. (NOTE-Use a piece of fabric folded in half with the folded edge at the top, if it is a non-fraying material like felt or faux leather then you do not need to do this)



11. Sew the tack down stitch of the 2 pieces, remove hoop and trim as closely as possible on the curved sides!



12. Remove all tapes and complete the satin stitch edges of the pockets using thread colors as you like.



13. Open the zip more than half way and lay the zipper pull flat, place your belt or ribbon and tape it in place.



14. Lay the back fabric right side facing down, align the outline and pin it in place. (pins away from the sewing field please!!!)



15. Sew the next stitch which will join the back to the front.
16. Remove hoop from the machine and place the lining fabric at the back of the hoop, right side facing towards the hoop making sure to cover the whole outline of the bag. Tape the 4 corners.



17. Place the hoop back in the machine and stitch the last outline which has a small gap.(last stop)



18. Unhoop and carefully tear away the excess stabilizer and trim the bag leaving ½ inch seam all around.

19. Trim the fleece even further to remove bulk from the edges, cutaway a little extra from the corners too.



20. Turn the bag through the gap, push out the corners using a very blunt tip scissor or any other suitable tool.
21. Iron it well, remove as much excess stabilizer as easily possible.
22. Expose the zipper by peeling away the stabilizer, turn the whole bag through the zipper opening.
23. Again push out the corners, iron well.
24. Hand stitch to close the gap in the lining.(you can easily turn the bag inside out and do it)