

ITH Round Bag (with and without pocket) (5x5 and 7x7)



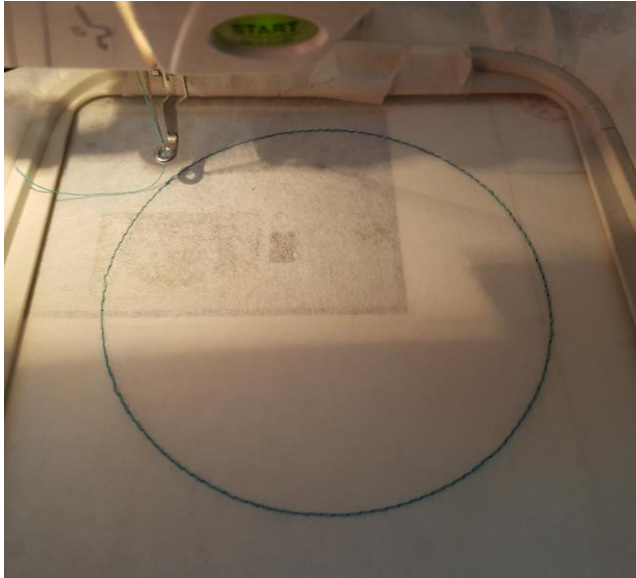
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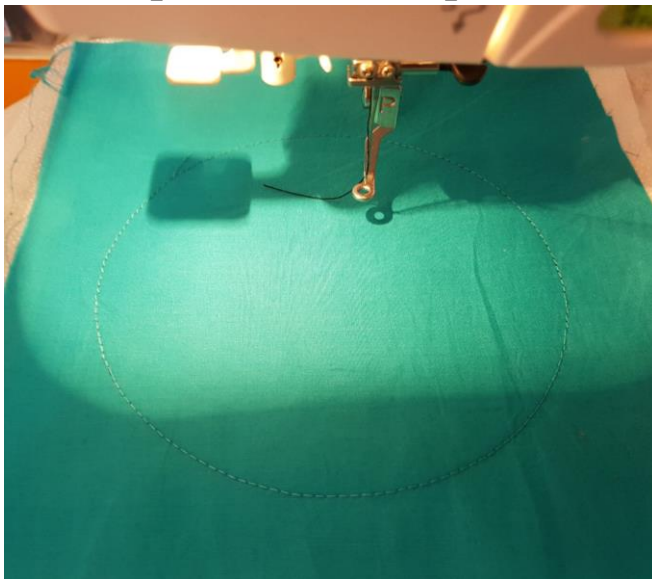
NOTE: Please do not resize these designs as the zipper placement can mess up!

First hooping-

1. Hoop Tearaway stabilizer and use a thread matching your fabric.
2. Sew the 1st color, the placement line.



3. Lay a piece of square fabric 1.5 inch bigger than the size of the bag you are making.
4. Tape or hold it in place and the next color will tack it down.



5. Next change the colors as needed to complete the design. (except the last 2 colors, the outline and the basting square)



6. Once the design is done, change back to the fabric matching thread. Remove the hoop from the machine and lay a piece of fleece or thin batting at the back of the hoop covering the circle outline and tape it in place.



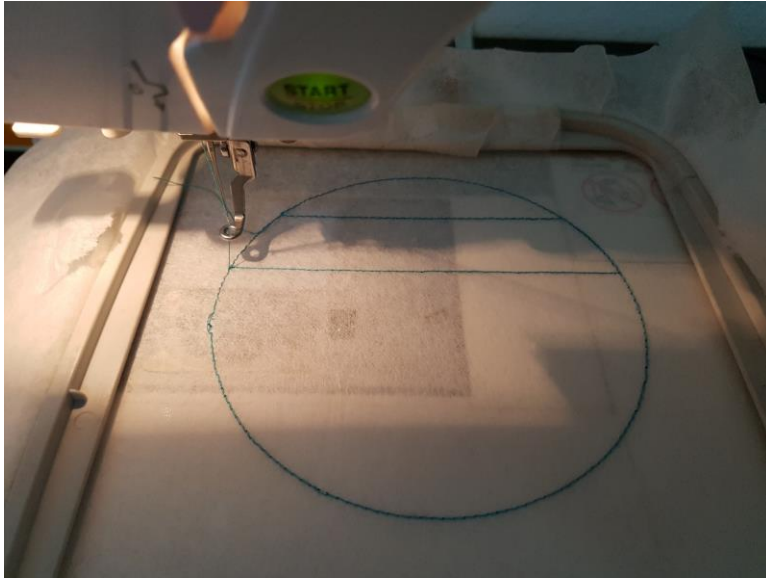
7. Get the hoop back on the machine and sew the outline stitch. Last sew the basting stitch, which here helps us for the joining of front and back of the bag.



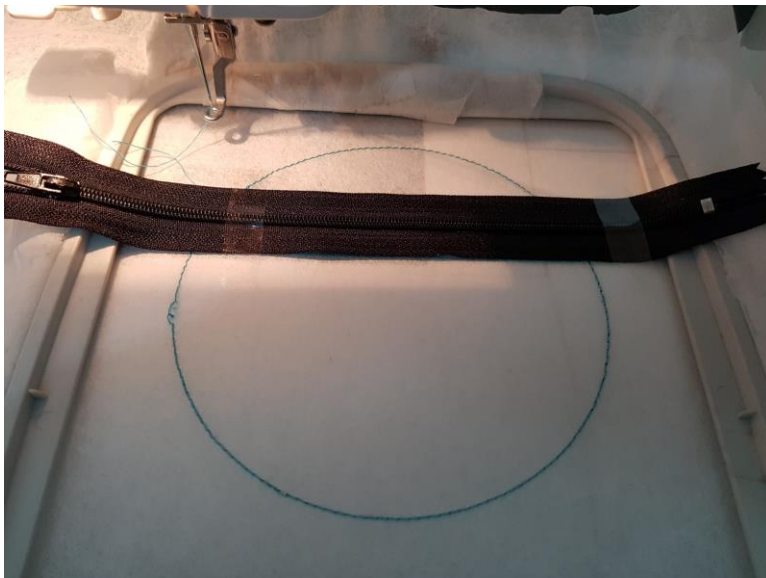
8. Unhoop this carefully and keep aside till needed.

Second hooping:

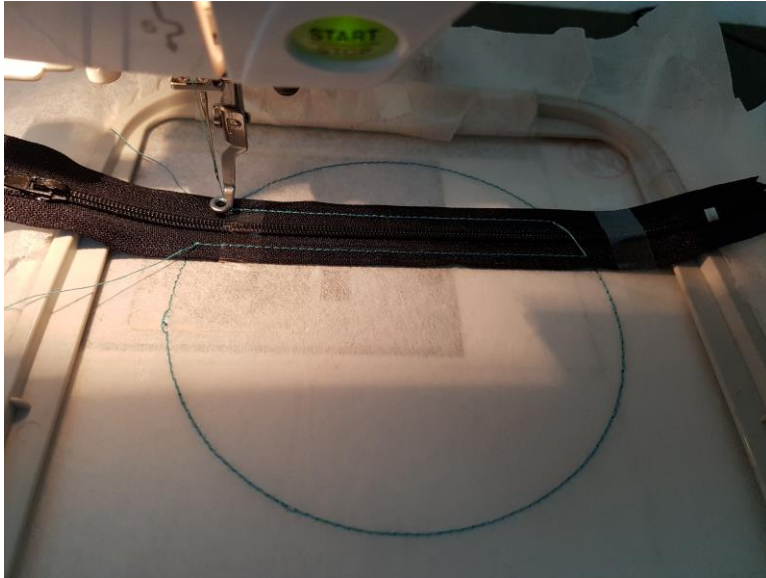
1. Hoop Tearaway stabilizer and use a thread matching your fabric. Sew the 1st outline and zipper placement lines.



2. Place the zipper exactly in the middle of the placement lines with the zipper pull on the left, tape it in place!(Zipper should be at least 1 inch excess on both ends to make sure the metallic ends don't come in the sewing field)



3. Next color will tack down the zipper.



4. Fold 2 pieces of fabric in half and iron. (The folded edges will lay right next to the zipper as shown in pic)
For the smaller bag you will need 1 piece of 8x6.5 inches and 1 piece 3x5.5 inches, folded in half to get 4x6.5 inches and 1.5x5.5 inches.
For the bigger bags you will need 11x8.5 inches and 5x7.5 inches, folded in half to get 5.5x8.5 inches and 2.5x7.5 inches.
(If you need to add thickness to your bags or if the fabric is not thick enough, you may sandwich a layer of fleece like I did)



5. Place these on either sides of the zipper right next to the teeth and tape them in place.
6. Next color will tack down the 2 fabric pieces.



7. (For design 2B)-You have a placement line for the pocket now. Lay a piece of fabric for the pocket with the finished edge 5mm above the placement line, either tape it in place or just hold it while the next tack down stitch for the pocket is sewn.

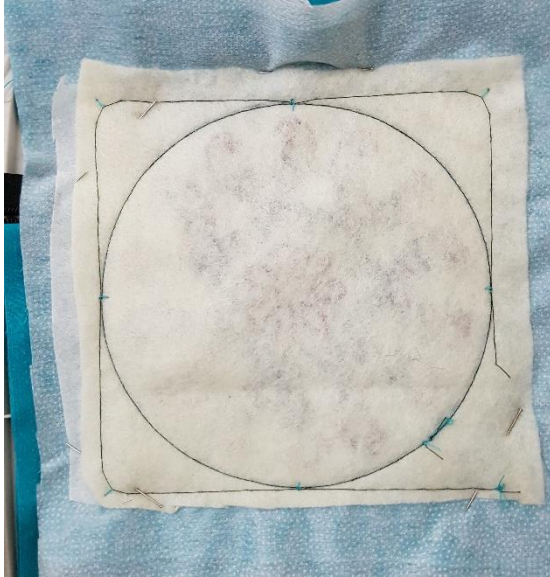
(For design 1B)-The wavy motif stitches will sew out next.

8. Now is the important step to remove all tapes and threads and open the zipper more than half way.
9. Next the basting square will sew out.



10. If you wish to add a loop or ribbon you can do so at this point. Lay it on either end of the zipper and secure in place with tape.(do not use a very thick cord or belt)
11. Next remove the hoop and lay the prepared piece right side facing down using the basting square to match up the 2 pieces

perfectly and pin it in place. (Make sure pins are away from the circle, that is our sewing field)



12. Next outline will attach the front and back together.
13. Remove hoop from machine and lay the lining fabric on the back side of the hoop, right side facing up towards the hoop and not towards the machine! Tape it in place.



14. Sew the next color, the partial outline.



15. Before unhooping, I prefer to trim away the excess fleece or batting to remove bulk from the edges.
16. Remove hoop, unhoop project and Tearaway all the excess stabilizer.
17. Trim around the whole bag leaving a little more than $\frac{1}{4}$ inch seam. (a little extra at the opening)
As this is a round bag, making small cuts on the seam every few inches will give a better finish to the turned bag.(careful not to cut too close to the stitches)



18. Turn the bag through the opening in the lining.
19. After this step, hand sew and close this opening in the lining in such a way that the stitches are not visible on the outside.
20. Pull away the stabilizer to expose the zipper and finally turn the whole bag inside out.