

Durham Tote Bag

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FREE PATTERN

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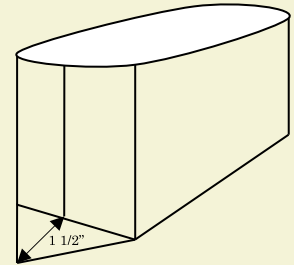
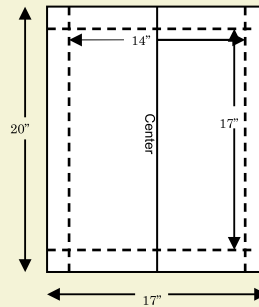
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Material List:

6 assorted fat quarters (or 1/4 yd. each) for main body x1 each

Fat quarter or 1/3 yd. cuff	x1
1/2 yd. fabric or 2 fat quarters for backing	x1
17" x 20" batting	x1
1/3 yd interfacing	x1
16" (40cm) handles	x1 pair
1 1/8" covered button	x1
7/8" covered button	x1
1 1/2 yd. lace (Optional)	x1
Magnet button	x1



Cutting Instruction:

Cut (16) 17" x 1" strips and (8) 17" x 1 1/4" strips total from 6 assorted fat quarters.

Cut (1) 17" x 20" the backing.

Cut (2) 8 1/2" x 1 1/2" strips from the backing fabric for binding side of the bag.

Cut (2) 6" x 1 1/2" strips from the backing fabric for binding bottom triangles.

Cut (1) 17" x 20" the batting

Cut (2) 15" x 9 1/2" each from the cuff fabric and interfacing

Making Flowers:

Choose two fabrics for front of the petals from remnants of fat quarters. Then choose another fabric for back the petals. Iron the interfacing on the wrong side of front petal fabrics. Cut 10 petals each from front and back fabrics using templates. Place right sides together and sew with a 1/4" seam. Then turn right side out and press. Stitch petal opening to make a gather. Pull the thread and continue gathering all five petals. Join the last petal to the first one. Pull tightly to make the flower shape. Make two fabric covered buttons, and sew it the center of the flowers.

Sewing Instruction:

Step 1. Place the batting on the wrong side of backing fabric, and baste it with spray adhesive. Draw lines to mark the center and the finished lines of all four sides 14"x 17" (See Diagram 1). Place first two strips facing the right sides together on the center line and sew 1/4" from the edge. Open and press. Place another strip onto the second piece and sew. Repeat this process until you go past at least 1/4" of the finished line on the side. Do the same for the other side starting again from the center. Then cut to 14 1/2" x 17 1/2".

Step 2. Fold in half facing the right side together lining up the 14" sides. Sew both sides. Sew 8 1/2" x 1 1/2" strip onto the side of the bag similar to attaching binding. Whip stitch to finish. Repeat on the other side. Sew 1 1/2" from the tip of the triangle to the sewing line as shown (See diagram 2). Cut 1/4" from the sewing line and bind with 6" x 1 1/2" strip.

Step 3. To make the cuff, place 2 cuff fabrics right side together and sew both edges to make the loop. Press seam open and roll and fold in half to make the cuff. Place the right side of cuff and wrong side of bag together lining up the raw edge and sew at 1/4" and 3/4" lines from the top, then turn the cuff out.

Step 4. Add on the magnet button at the center of the bag.

Step 5. Attach two flowers on the bag.

Step 6. Position the handle 4" from both sides and attach to complete.

Durham Bag Correction & Templates

Correction

Material List:

- 1/3 yard of light interfacing → 30" x 25" or 1 yard

Sewing Instruction:

- Add to Step 3 → Fuse interfacing on wrong side of cuff fabric, then place right sides together to sew the side.

Flower Petal Template

Please be careful when you print the petal template. You need to print in actual size. To do so, please open print dialogue and choose "None" in Page Scaling. In the case your printer prints smaller than below measurements, you can enlarge in the copy machine.

