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Travel Tote with Pockets



Fabric Needed

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- 2 yds Happy Camper (20744-TRQ-CTN-D)
- 1 % yds Peace Love Travel (20742-WHT-CTN-D)
- 1/2 yd Adventure Patch (20739-WHT-CTN-D)

Additional Supplies Needed:

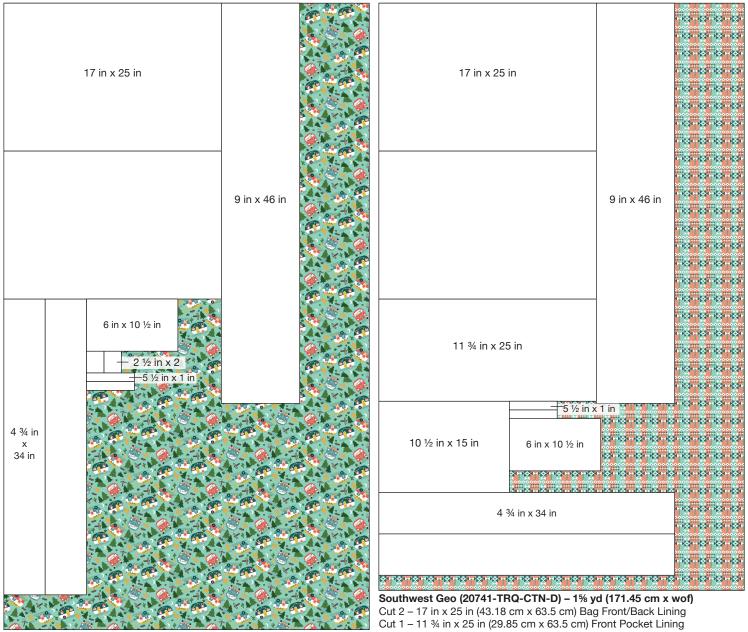
- 1 ³⁄₄ yds Fusible fleece
- 5 yds 1 in (2.54 cm) Coordinating nylon webbing
- 1 24 in (60.96 cm) All purpose zipper
- 1 9 in (22.86 cm) All purpose zipper
- 1 1 in (2.54 cm) Metal rectangle ring
- 1 1 in (2.54 cm) Metal slide buckle
- · Sewing thread
- Basic sewing supplies

Before You Begin

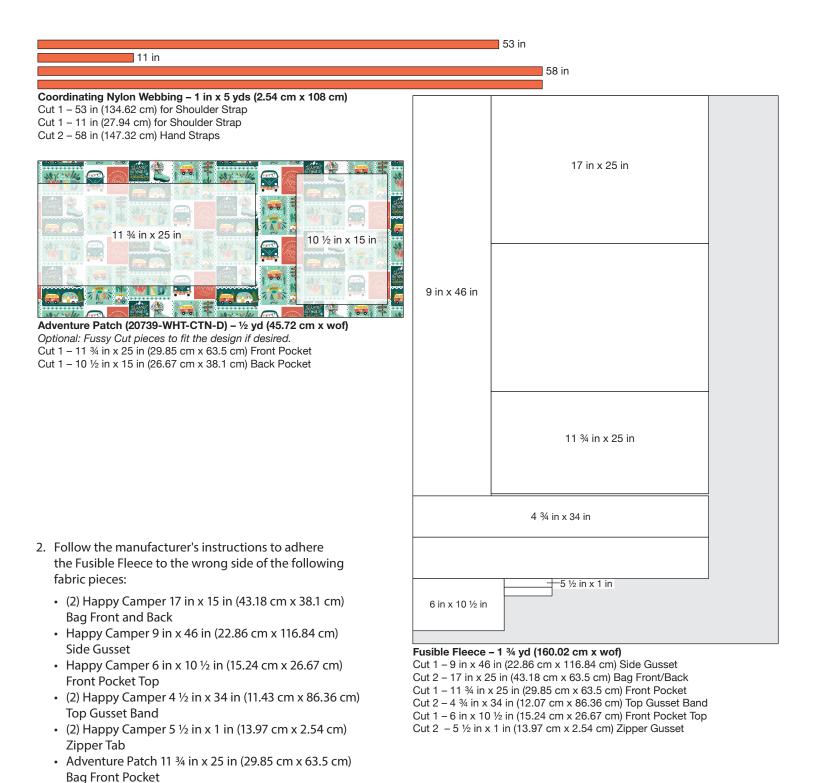
1. Read all instructions before beginning project. Do not pre-wash fabrics. Press fabrics with a dry iron on cotton setting before cutting. Use a ½ in (1.27 cm) seam allowance and sew fabrics with right sides together (RST) unless otherwise noted. Template is at the end of the instructions. wof = width of fabric

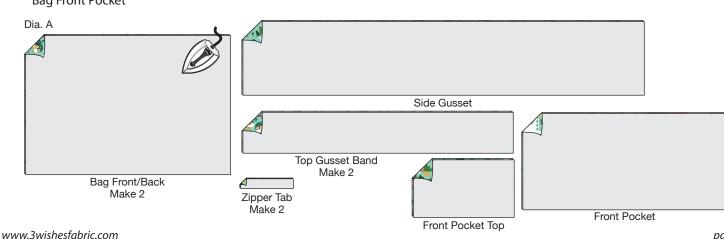
Cutting

1. Use a rotary cutter and ruler to cut the materials listed below.



Happy Camper (20744-TRQ-CTN-D) – 2 yds (182.88 cm x wof) Cut 2 – 17 in x 25 in (43.18 cm x 63.5 cm) Bag Front/Back Cut 1 – 6 in x 10 ½ in (15.24 cm x 26.67 cm) Front Pocket Top Cut 1 – 9 in x 46 in (22.86 cm x 116.84 cm) Side Gusset Cut 2 – 4 ¾ in x 34 in (12.07 cm x 86.36 cm) Top Gusset Band Cut 1 – 2 ½ in x 2 in (6.35 cm x 5.08 cm) Strap Loop and Zipper Tab Cut 2 – 5 ½ in x 1 in (13.97 cm x 2.54 cm) Zipper Gusset Southwest Geo (20741-TRQ-CTN-D) – 1% yd (171.45 cm x wof) Cut 2 – 17 in x 25 in (43.18 cm x 63.5 cm) Bag Front/Back Lining Cut 1 – 11 % in x 25 in (29.85 cm x 63.5 cm) Front Pocket Lining Cut 1 – 10 % in x 15 in (26.67 cm x 38.1 cm) Back Pocket Lining Cut 1 – 9 in x 46 in (22.86 cm x 116.84 cm) Side Gusset Lining Cut 1 – 6 in x 10 % in (15.24 cm x 26.67 cm) Front Pocket Top Lining Cut 2 – 4 % in x 34 in (12.07 cm x 86.36 cm) Top Gusset Band Lining Cut 2 – 5 % in x 1 in (13.97 cm x 2.54 cm) Zipper Gusset Lining





2. Cut out the Corner Template around the solid black lines. Align Corner Template with a corner as shown in Diagram B, trace and trim the fabric around the curved line.

Trim all four corners of:

- (2) Happy Camper 17 in x 15 in (43.18 cm x 38.1 cm) Bag Front and Back
- (2) Southwest Geo 17 in x 15 in (43.18 cm x 38.1 cm) Bag Front and Back Lining

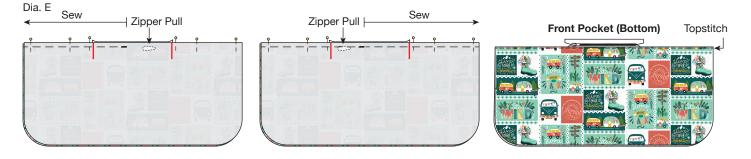
Trim the bottom two corners of:

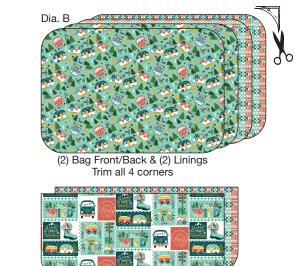
- Adventure Patch 11 ³/₄ in x 25 in (29.85 cm x 63.5 cm) Front Pocket
- Southwest Geo 11 ³/₄ in x 25 in (29.85 cm x 63.5 cm) Front Pocket Lining



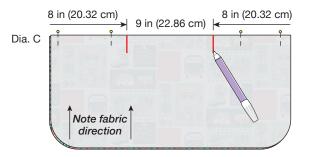
BAG FRONT:

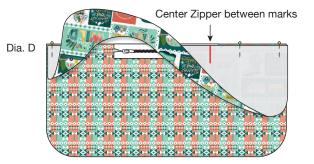
- 3. Place the Adventure Patch 11 ¾ in x 25 in (29.85 cm x 63.5 cm) Front Pocket and Southwest Geo 11 ¾ in x 25 in (29.85 cm x 63.5 cm) Front Pocket Lining RST and pin as shown in Diagram C. **Note:** Check orientation of Adventure Patch design. Measure and mark 8 in (20.32 cm) from each side with a disappearing ink marker on the **wrong** side of fabric. Remove any pins between the marks.
- 4. Insert the 9 in (22.86 cm) zipper between layers RST with the Adventure Patch design as shown in Diagram D. Align edge of zipper tape with top edge of fabric and center zipper between marks.
- 5. Move the zipper pull to middle of zipper. Using the zipper foot, sew along the top edge through all layers. Begin at one end of the zipper and sew away from the zipper pull to the end of the fabric. Then move the zipper pull to the other end of the zipper. Sew across the rest of the top edge, again away from the zipper pull in the other direction.
- 6. Turn the Front Pocket wrong sides together and press the sewn edge. Topstitch close to the sewn edge.





(1) Bag Front Pocket & (1) Lining Trim bottom 2 corners





7. Layer the Happy Camper 6 in x 10 ½ in (15.24 cm x 26.67 cm) Front Pocket Top and Southwest Geo 6 in x 10 ½ in (15.24 cm x 26.67 cm) Front Pocket Top Lining RST with the Front Pocket Bottom between. Align top edges of the two Front Pocket pieces with the edge of the zipper tape as shown in Diagram F.

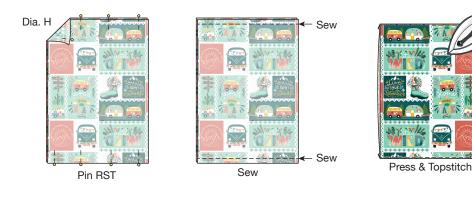


8. Layer the Front Pocket Unit with one Happy Camper 17 in x 25 in (43.18 cm x 63.5 cm) Bag Front/Back with the Adventure Patch side facing up as shown in Diagram G. Align and baste the sides and bottom with a ¼ in (6.35 mm) seam allowance. Trim the top of the Front Pocket Top to be even with the Bag Front and baste each side.



BAG BACK:

9. Place the Adventure Patch 10 ½ in x 15 in (26.67 cm x 38.1 cm) Back Pocket and Southwest Geo 10 ½ in x 15 in (26.67 cm x 38.1 cm) Back Pocket Lining RST and pin as shown in Diagram H. Sew ½ in (1.27 cm) from the top and bottom. Turn right sides out and press. Topstitch along the top and bottom edges, close to the edge. Fold in half as shown and press to create the Back Pocket. *Optional:* Machine stitch an overlock or zigzag seam on each side of the Back Pocket to finish the pocket edges more securely.





10. Center the Back Pocket on the other Happy Camper 17 in x 25 in (43.18 cm x 63.5 cm) Bag Front/Back as shown in Diagram I. The Back Pocket should measure 5 in (12.7 cm) from the top and bottom and 7 ¼ in (18.42 cm) from each side. Pin and baste along each side with ¼ in (6.35 mm) seam allowance.



BAG TOP:

11. Layer one Happy Camper 5 ½ in x 1 in (13.97 cm x 2.54 cm) Zipper Tab and one Southwest Geo 5 ½ in x 1 in (13.97 cm x 2.54 cm) Zipper Tab Lining RST with one end of the 24 in (60.96 cm) zipper between, RST with Happy Camper design, as shown in Diagram J. Pin and sew with a ½ in (1.27 cm) seam. Repeat on the other end of the zipper to create the Top Zipper Unit.



12. Layer one Happy Camper 4 ³/₄ in x 34 in (12.07 cm x 86.36 cm) Top Gusset Band and one Southwest Geo 4 ³/₄ in x 34 in (12.07 cm x 86.36 cm) Top Gusset Band Lining RST with the Zipper Unit between, RST with Happy Camper design, as shown in Diagram K. Align top edges and sew across with a ³/₈ in (9.5 mm) seam allowance. Use the zipper foot to sew in the same manner as in step 5; moving the zipper pull and sewing across half at a time. Turn right sides out and press. Repeat with the other Top Gusset Band pieces on the other side of the zipper. Square up edges so the Top Gusset measures 9 in x 34 in (22.86 cm x 83.36 cm).





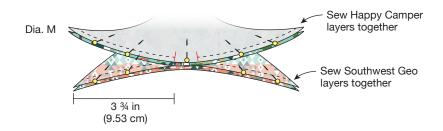
SHOULDER STRAP:

- 13. Use the 11 in (27.94 cm) length of nylon webbing with the metal rectangle ring. Feed one short end 1 in (2.54 cm) through the rectangle ring and fold over one side. Sew the nylon webbing to itself ½ in (1.27 cm) from edge to attach. This is the non-adjustable part of the Shoulder Strap. *Tip: Use zipper foot if needed to accommodate the bulk of the metal ring.*
- 14. Use the 53 in (134.62 cm) length of nylon webbing with the slide buckle. Fold one short end 1 in (2.54 cm) over the middle post. Sew the nylon webbing to itself ½ in (1.27 cm) from edge to attach. This will make adjustable part of the Shoulder Strap.
- 15. Place the 53 in (134.62 cm) strap with the **wrong** side facing up next to the the 11 in (27.94 cm) strap right side facing up. Feed the raw edge of the 53 in (134.62 cm) strap up through the rectangle ring as shown in Diagram L. Then take it back through the slide buckle, up and over the middle post and back down through the other side as shown to make the Shoulder Strap. *Note: The wrong side for the nylon webbing refers to the side where the raw edge was folded over.*



BAG GUSSET (SIDES & TOP):

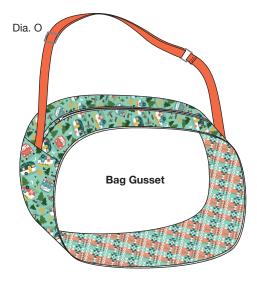
16. Layer the Happy Camper 9 in x 46 in (22.86 cm x 116.84 cm) Side Gusset with the Top Gusset, Happy Camper designs RST, aligning one short side of each. Pin ONLY the Happy Camper layers together. Layer the Southwest Geo 9 in x 46 in (22.86 cm x 116.84 cm) Side Gusset Lining with the Top Gusset, Southwest Geo designs RST, aligning short sides. Pin ONLY the Southwest Geo layers together. Pin through all layers in the middle. Measure and mark 3 ¼ in (9.53 cm) from each side edge. Sew ONLY the Happy Camper layers together from left edge to mark on the left with a ½ in (1.27 cm) seam allowance. Repeat on the right. Then repeat for the Southwest Geo layers on the left and the right. This leaves a 1 ½ in (3.81 cm) opening in the middle; remove pin(s).



17. Insert the Shoulder Strap (adjustable end) between the Happy Camper layers, right side up/**wrong** side facing the zipper. Align the raw end with the fabric edges, between the marks, and centered with the zipper tab. Pin as needed and sew through all layers ONLY in the middle to close up opening. Flip the Side Gusset layers right side out so they are **wrong** sides together and press. *Note: Carefully press around the nylon, high heat such as an iron on the hot cotton setting can melt the nylon.*

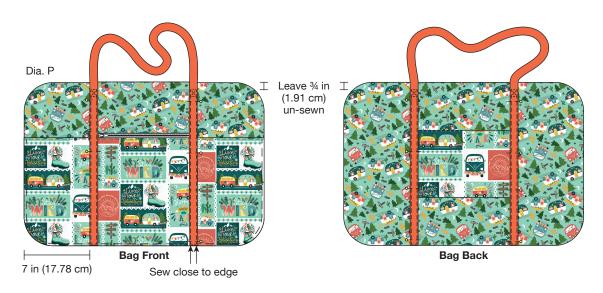


18. Repeat steps 14-15 on the other end of the Gusset Top with the other ends of the Side Gusset layers and the non-adjustable end of the Shoulder Strap to finish the Bag Gusset as shown in Diagram O.



HANDLES:

19. On the Bag Front measure and mark 7 in (17.78 cm) from each side. Pin in place one 58 in (147.32 cm) nylon webbing along the Bag Front as shown, 7 in (17.78 cm) from each side. Sew close to the edges of nylon webbing to attach, stopping ³/₄ in (1.91 cm) from the top of the Bag Front to attach a Handle. Reinforce where the Handle meets the top with extra stitching. Repeat to add a Handle to the Bag Back.

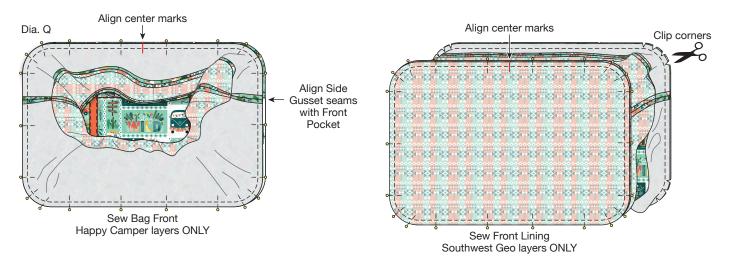


Finishing

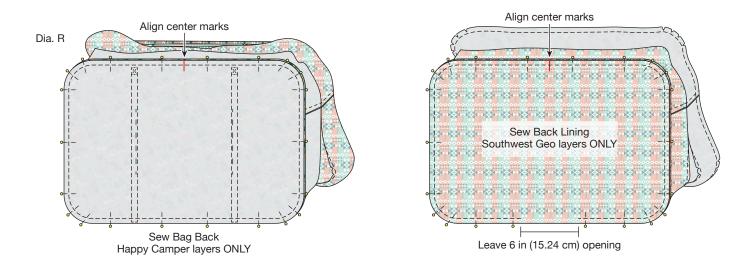
20. Fold each Bag piece (Front, Back and Linings) in half and mark the center at the top edge. Also measure and mark the center of the Top Gusset/zipper. In the following steps, the center marks will be used to align each layer of the Bag Gusset with each Bag piece.

Before you continue, make sure to leave the zipper OPEN.

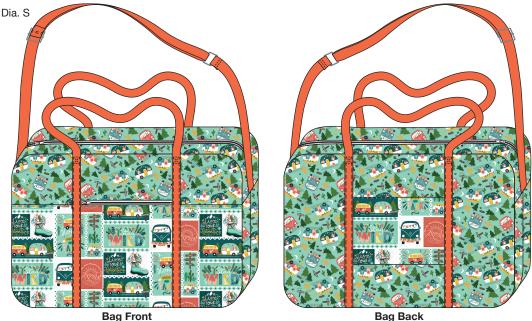
21. Place the Bag Gusset (one side Happy Camper layer ONLY) RST with the Bag Front; align and pin at the center marks as shown in Diagram Q. Fold the Handles and Strap towards the center, between the layers and out of the way. Pin evenly all the way around, also aligning the Side Gusset seams with the Front Pocket on each side. Pin extra around the corners to evenly distribute the bulk. Sew with a ½ in (1.27 cm) seam allowance around, careful **not** to catch the straps or the other layers in the seam. Clip corners to reduce bulk. Repeat with the Bag Gusset (one side Southwest Geo ONLY) RST with one Bag Lining. *Tip: Pin the Straps to their respective pieces to keep them out of the way as you sew the Bag together.*



22. Turn the sewn Lining right side out to access the other side of the Bag Gusset. In the same manner as step 21, pin and sew the other side Bag Gusset Happy Camper layer to the Bag Back RST as shown in Diagram R. Make sure to avoid catching the remaining Lining in the seam. Again in the same manner, pin and sew the other side Bag Gusset Southwest Geo layer to the other Bag Lining RST, this time leaving a 6 in (15.24 cm) opening at the bottom edge.



- 23. Turn the Bag and Lining right side out through the opening and push out all the curved corners. Press the edges of the opening to the wrong side 1/2 in (1.27 cm) to match the seam. Sew the opening closed by hand stitching or machine stitch close to the edge.
- 24. Push the Lining through the open zipper to turn the Lining inside the Bag and finish the Bag as shown in Diagram S.





Finished Care Instructions

25. Machine wash in cold water; gentle cycle. Do not bleach. Tip: Before drying, check for fabric dyes that may have run. If fabric dyes run, rewash and rinse using a color catcher to absorb loose dye. Lay flat to dry or tumble dry low.

