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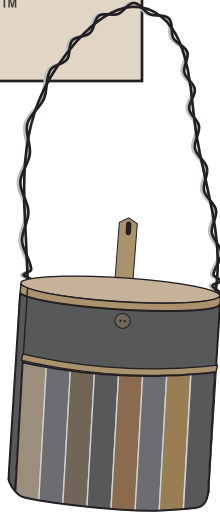at your side

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Black Tie Tote - Style #3 of 3
One Pattern Three Styles, Featured on "It's Sew Easy"
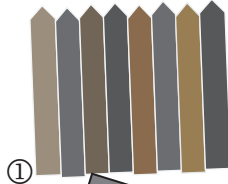by Nancy Odom for The Warm Company™
Finished Size: 7" x 9" x 2"

Fabric and Supplies:
- Men's Silk Neckties: 9-10 neckties
- Black Fabric, for bag exterior & pocket: ⅜ yd.
- Tan Fabric for lining: one fat quarter
- Black Twisted Cord ⅜"-size: 2 yds.
- Button, for closure: 1-inch
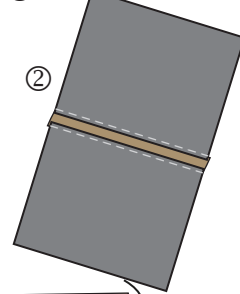- Steam-A-Seam 2® fusible tape, ½"-size
- Steam-A-Seam 2® fusible web, 1 pkg

Pocket Instructions:
- From black fabric: cut 1 piece 8" x 10"
  cut 1 piece 9" x 11"
- From 1 necktie: cut 1 strip 1¼" x 10"
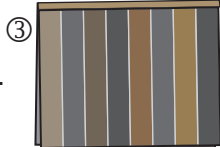- From 8 to 9 necktie: cut a 10-inch length from the narrow end of ties.

1) Press Steam-A-Seam 2® to one side of 9" x 11" black fabric. Lay tie strips side by side on the fusible side of black fabric and press. Using a decorative stitch, sew tie strips in place. Trim pocket front to 8"x10".

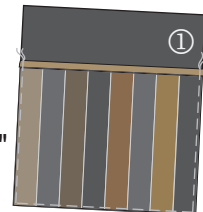2) Use a ¼" seam allowance, stitch fabric strip between the pocket front and lining. Press seams inward.

3) Turn pocket right side out and press.

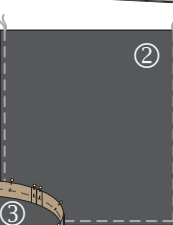## Tote Exterior Instructions:
- From Black fabric: cut 2 pieces 10" x 11"
- From 1 necktie: cut 1 strip 1¼" x 19½"

1) To one 10"x11" piece, center pocket, using a ⅛" seam allowance, stay stitch around outside edge.
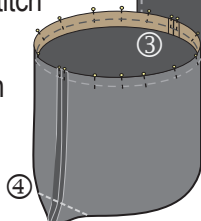
2) Use a ¼" seam allowance: with right sides together stitch exterior pieces together. Press.

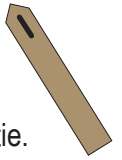3) For trim, with wrong sides together, stitch along the short ends of trim and press seam open. Using a ⅝" seam allowance, stitch trim to tote. Fold trim up and press.

4) For bottom, match side seam with bottom seam and pin. Stitch across seams 1" from point.

Button Loop Instructions:
- From 1 necktie: cut a 5-inch length from the narrow end of tie.

1) Make a button hole in the finished end of tie.
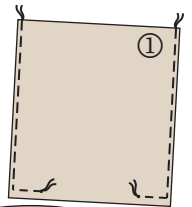
Strap Instructions:

1) Fold the twisted cord in half and twist. Secure the ends with a few stitches.
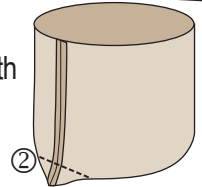
Tote Lining Instructions:
- From tan fabric: cut 2 pieces 10" x 11¼"

1) With right sides together, sew a ¼" seam for side seams and ½" seam for bottom seam, leaving an opening in bottom seam for turning.
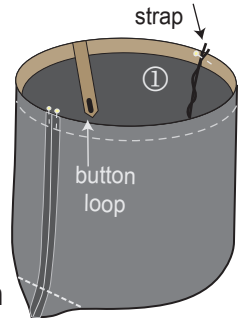
2) For bottom, match side seam with bottom seam and pin. Stitch across seams 1" from point.
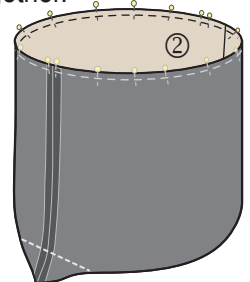
Assemble Instructions:

1) Turn the exterior tote wrong side out. Center each end of strap over side seams and pin. Pin button loop to center of tote back. Using a ⅛" seam allowance, stitch in place.

2) Turn tote lining right side out. Insert lining into tote exterior. Match side seams and pin together. Use a ¼" seam allowance and stitch together.

3) Turn tote right side out. Push lining into tote and press along the top edge of tote. Top stitch around top edge of tote. Close opening in lining with Steam-A-Seam 2® fusible tape. Sew button to front of tote.

One Pattern Three Styles, Featured on "It's Sew Easy"
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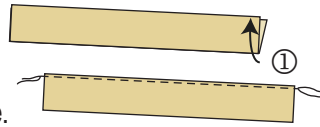Finished Size: 7" x 9" x 2"

Fabric and Supplies:
- One pair of old blue jeans**
- Print Fabric (443X)* for trim/pocket lining: one fat quarter
- Green Fabric (444G)* for lining: one fat quarter
- Purple Fabric (445C)* for bag exterior: one fat quarter
- *Steam-A-Seam 2*® fusible tape, ½"-size
- Buttons, one each size: ¾" - 1" - 1½"
   - * Orchard Park fabrics by P & B Textiles
   - ** Please note: the old jeans I used,
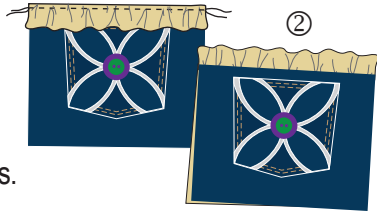   came with decorative pockets.

Pocket Instructions:
- From print fabric: cut 1 piece 8" x 10"
               cut 1 piece 2" x 15"
- From old jeans: cut 1 piece 8" x 10"

1) With wrong sides together, fold strip in half lengthwise and press. Sew a gathering stitch ¼" from raw edge. Gather ruffle to 10" long.

2) Sew ruffle to top edge of jeans pocket. With wrong sides together, sew lining to top edge of pocket. Turn pocket right side out and press.
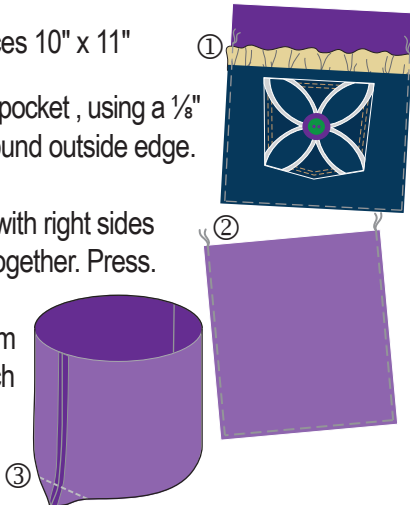
Tote Exterior Instructions:
- From purple fabric: cut 2 pieces 10" x 11"

1) To one exterior piece, center pocket , using a ⅛" seam allowance, stay stitch around outside edge.

2) Use a ¼" seam allowance: with right sides together stitch exterior pieces together. Press.
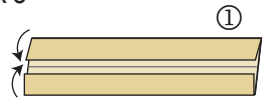
3) For bottom, match side seam with bottom seam and pin. Stitch across seams 1" from point.

Button Loop Instructions:
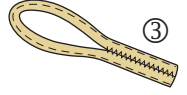- From Print fabric: cut 1 strip 1¼" x 8"

1) With wrong sides together, fold strip in half lengthwise and press.

2) Open and fold each edge of strip to inside center line and press. Top stitch along open edge of strip.

3) Fold in half, matching short ends and folded edge butted together. Zigzag strip together 2" from end.
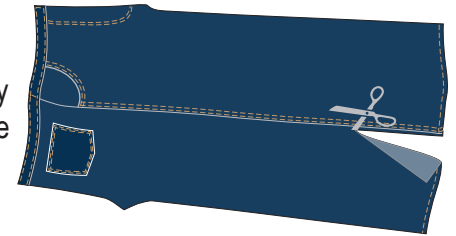
Strap Instructions:
- From old jeans: cut 1 strip 1½" x 28"

1) Use pinking shears or wave rotary cutter and trim both sides of strap. This will keep the strap from completely unraveling and have a fun raw edge.
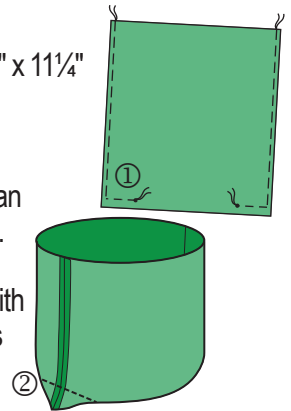
Tote Lining Instructions:
- From green fabric: cut 2 pieces 10" x 11¼"

1) With right sides together, sew a ¼" seam for side seams and ½" seam for bottom seam, leaving an opening in bottom seam for turning.

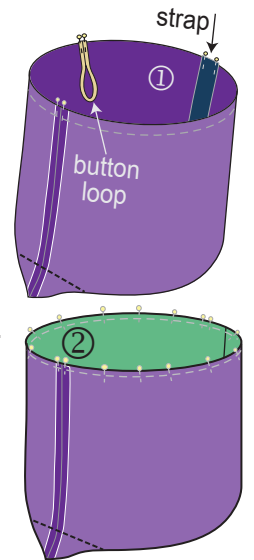2) For bottom, match side seam with bottom seam and pin. Stitch across seams 1" from point.

Assemble Instructions:

1) Turn the exterior tote wrong side out. Center each end of strap over side seams and pin. Pin button loop to center of tote back. Using a ⅛" seam allowance, stitch in place.

2) Turn tote lining right side out. Insert lining into tote exterior. Match side seams and pin together. Use a ¼" seam allowance and stitch together.

3) Turn tote right side out. Push lining into tote and press along the top edge of tote. Top stitch around top edge of tote. Close opening in lining with *Steam-A-Seam 2*® fusible tape. Sew buttons to front of tote.
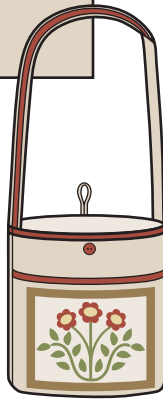
My Mother's Tote - Style #1 of 3

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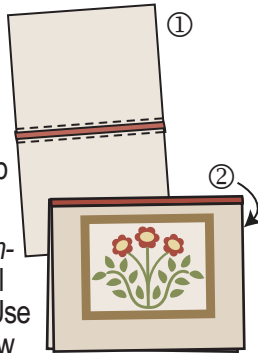
Fabric and Supplies:

- Floral block from Orchard Park Panel *(439E)
- Ecru Fabric *(444E) for pocket and lining: ⅜ yd.
- Print on Ecru Fabric *(442E) for bag exterior & strap: ⅜ yd.
- Red Fabric *(444R) for Trim: ¼ yd.
- Button, for closure
- *Steam-A-Seam 2®* fusible tape, ½"-size
- *Steam-A-Seam 2®* fusible web, 1 pkg
  * Orchard Park fabrics by P & B Textiles

Pocket Instructions:
- From Ecru fabric: cut 2 pieces 8" x 10"
- From Red fabric: cut 1 strip 1¼" x 10"

1) Use a ¼" seam allowance, stitch fabric strip between the rectangles. Press seams inward.

2) Fold in half with right side out. Press *Steam-A-Seam 2®* to back of floral block. Center floral block on pocket and ½" from trim and press. Use a Blanket-Stitch or Zigzag stitch around the raw edge of floral block.
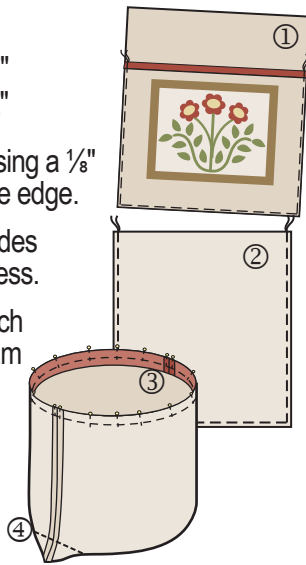
Tote Exterior Instructions:
- From Print fabric: cut 2 pieces 10" x 11"
- From Red fabric: cut 1 strip 1½" x 19½"

1) To one exterior piece, center pocket, using a ⅛" seam allowance, stay stitch around outside edge.

2) Use a ¼" seam allowance: with right sides together stitch exterior pieces together. Press.

3) For trim, with wrong sides together, stitch along the short ends of trim and press seam open. Using a ¾" seam allowance, stitch trim to tote. Fold trim up and press.

4) For bottom, match side seam with bottom seam and pin. Stitch across seams 1" from point.
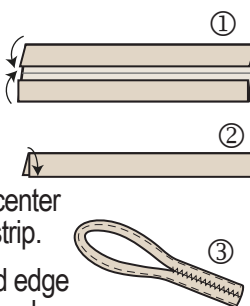
Button Loop Instructions:
- From Ecru fabric: cut 1 strip 1¼" x 8"

1) With wrong sides together, fold strip in half lengthwise and press.

2) Open and fold each edge of strip to inside center line and press. Top stitch along open edge of strip.
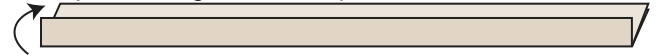
3) Fold in half, matching short ends and folded edge butted together. Zigzag strip together 2" from end.
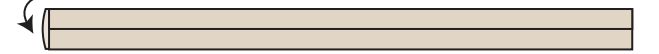
Handle Instructions:
- From Print fabric: cut 1 strip 2½" x 32"
- From Red fabric: cut 1 strip 1½" x 32"

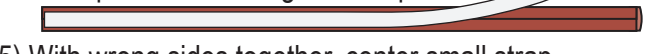1) For the 2½" strap: With wrong sides together, fold strip in 1" lengthwise and press.

2) Fold in the other edge of strip ½" and press.

3) For the 1½" strap: with wrong sides together, fold strip in ½" lengthwise and press.

4) Fold in the other edge of strip ⅜" and press. To the wrong side of strap, press Steam-A-Seam 2® fusible tape to the full length of strap.

5) With wrong sides together, center small strap over large strap and press. Stitch along both sides of small strap.
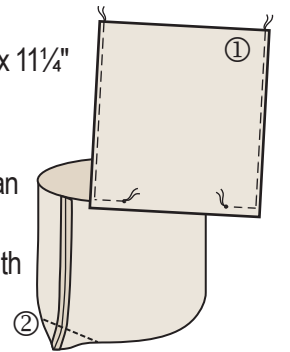
Tote Lining Instructions:
- From Ecru fabric: cut 2 pieces 10" x 11¼"

1) With right sides together, sew a ¼" seam for side seams and ½" seam for bottom seam, leaving an opening in bottom seam for turning.

2) For bottom, match side seam with bottom seam and pin. Stitch across seams 1" from point.
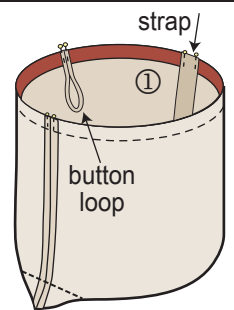
Assemble Instructions:

1) Turn the exterior Tote wrong side out. With right sides together, center each end of strap over side seams and pin. Pin button loop to center of tote back. Using a ⅛" seam allowance, stitch in place.

2) Turn tote lining right side out. With right sides together, insert lining into tote exterior. Match side seams and pin together. Use a ¼" seam allowance and stitch together.

3) Turn tote right side out. Push lining into tote and press along the top edge of tote. Top stitch around top edge of tote. Close opening in lining with *Steam-A-Seam 2®* fusible tape.