

# BEAN BAG KIT INSTRUCTIONS

## **Kit contains:**

Instructions

32 rectangles of assorted organic cotton prints - enough to make 8 bean bags (6" x 6")

Suitable filling materials include dried beans, dried corn, rice, or even fabric scraps (not included).

Bean bags are loads of fun - these colorful bean bags can be used for toss, corn hole, hit the can, relay races, juggling and more!



Step 1: Your kit has enough rectangles to make 8 bean bags. Each bean bag will require 4 rectangles - 2 for the front and 2 for the back. You can mix and match the assorted fabrics any way you choose.

Step 2: For each bean bag, lay out the fabrics with the 2 front fabrics and the 2 back fabrics next to each other (in the photo below, the front is the 2 darker fabrics and the back is the 2 lighter fabrics):



NOTE: For sturdy bags, you will want to stitch each seam twice, making sure to backstitch at the beginning and end of every seam. Seam allowances are  $\frac{1}{4}$ ".

Step 3: Stitch the 2 front rectangles right sides together along one long edge, at about  $\frac{1}{4}$ " and  $\frac{1}{8}$ " from the edge. Repeat for 2 back rectangles. Press seams to one side.



Step 4: With right sides together, stitch front to back along 3 sides with a seam allowance of about  $\frac{1}{4}$ ", leaving the 4th side open for filling. Clip corners. Turn right side out, poking out corners with a pencil or dowel. Press.

Step 5: Fold in about  $\frac{1}{4}$ " all around the opening. Fill about half full (~ 1 cup or 8 ounces of dried beans, etc).



Step 6, Option 1: Pin the front to the back along the open edge, and stitch ~  $\frac{1}{4}$ " from the edge and again at ~  $\frac{1}{8}$ ".



Option 2: For a rounder bean bag, suitable for playing catch and juggling, fold the 4th side so that the 2 fronts and 2 backs touch and pin. Then stitch  $\sim \frac{1}{4}$ " from the edge and again at  $\sim \frac{1}{8}$ ".



Happy Sewing!

