



BERNINA of Naperville
presents

The Book Caddy

Fat Quarter of the Month:
September 2023

Supplies

Fat Quarter of the Month Subscription

- No obligation. You will be sent an invoice every month, but if you don't want it that month – Don't pay for it 😊

This month's kit comes with a yard of 1/4" elastic

- For more durability, you may choose to use 1/2" – 3/4" elastic

Fabric Selections:

[Book Worm: Dark Blue](#)

[Bookish: Passport](#)

[Bookish: Readers Passport](#)

[Bookish: Mark My Words](#)

[Bookshelf in Ivory](#)

[Bookwork: Parchment text](#)

You will also need thread to match fabric and a 14" zipper

- Recommended that you use a [small \(size 3 or smaller\) nylon zipper](#)





Additional Supplies

MACHINE FEET

1/4" Patchwork Foot: #37, #37D, #57, #57D, #97 or #97D for BERNINA Machines

Zipper Foot: #4, or #4D for BERNINA Machines

INTERFACING

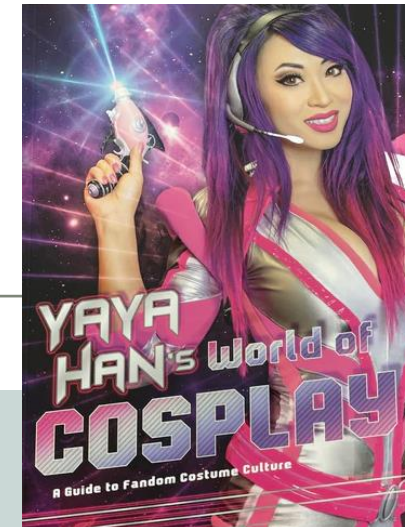
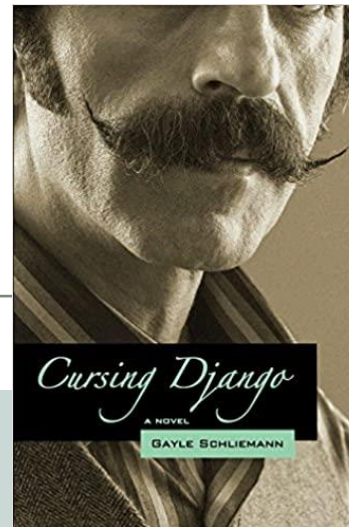
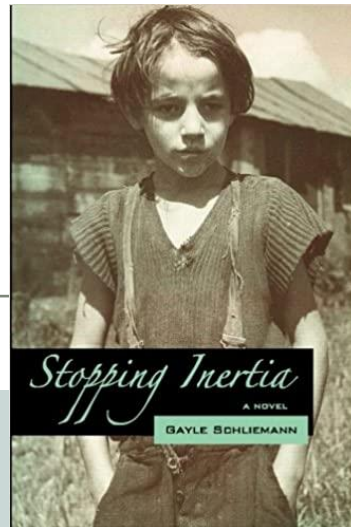
Fusible woven or SF-101 for strengthening the cotton fabric





Favorite Book

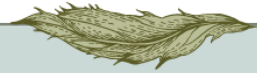
Find Gayle's Books [Stopping Inertia](#) and [Cursing Django](#) as well as [Yaya Han's World of Cosplay](#) at berninaofnaperville.com





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The Project



Designed to keep your glasses, pen, eraser, breath mints, etc. tidy and handy when you need them when you're curled up with your favorite novel or sketchbook

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Cutting

This month's fat quarter project will yield many book caddies. You can use one fat quarter to make a bag or mix and match your fabrics to make it more patchwork-like

***NOTE: Be mindful of fabric direction. The width is the skinnier part.

For Larger Books:

- Outer fabric
 - 3 – 5" x 10" Rectangle
- Inner fabric
 - 1 – 5" x 10" rectangle
- Scrap
 - 2 – 3" x 1 ½" for zipper tabs
- Interfacing
 - 2 – 2 ½" x 10"
 - 2 – 5" x 10"
 - 2 – 3" x 1 ½"
- Elastic
 - 9 ½" length (depends on the book)
- Zipper
 - 9" length of a 14" small nylon zipper



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For Smaller Books:

- Outer fabric
 - 3 – 4 ½" x 9 ½" Rectangle
- Inner fabric
 - 1 – 4 ½" x 9 ½" rectangle
- Scrap
 - 2 – 3" x 1 ½" for zipper tabs
- Interfacing
 - 2 – 2 ¼" x 9 ½"
 - 2 – 4 ½" x 9 ½"
 - 2 – 3" x 1 ½"
- Elastic
 - 7 ½" length (depends on the book)
- Zipper
 - 8 1/2" length of a 14" small nylon zipper





Prep



- Outer fabric
 - Fold 2 of the 5" x 10" (4 1/2" x 9 1/2") pieces in half (hot dog style)
 - Interface the inside of each rectangle by placing a 2 1/2" x 1" (2 1/4" x 9 1/2") interfacing strip against the crease line
 - Re-Press
- Inner fabric
 - Interface the back sides of the 5" x 10" (4 1/2" x 9 1/2") rectangles with interfacing
- Scrap
 - Interface each 3" x 1 1/2" piece with interfacing

Zipper Assembly

- Trim and finish the zipper
 - Regardless of the size book caddy you choose to make, you will need to prep the 9" or 8 1/2" zipper with tabs on top and bottom.
 - Cut the tabs in half after they've been prepped with interfacing
 - Measuring 1 1/2" square each
 - Stitch the Zipper in between two tabs using 1/4" foot and seam allowance
 - Trim Sides to measure zipper width if necessary



Assembly



- Center the zipper under each side of the folded and interfaced book caddy front
- Use a zipper foot to stitch down each side of the zipper close to the folded edge
- Trim zipper tabs if necessary



Assembly

- Pin the elastic into position
- If you have a book in mind for your book caddy, adjust the elastic accordingly.
 - It's better for the elastic to be snug rather than loose.
- Unzip the zipper
- Place the back and lining wrong sides together
- Stitch all the way around the book caddy
- Clip corners



Optional Seam Finish



- Use a serger to save the edges inside your book caddy
- Otherwise, a zig zag stitch on your sewing machine will work



Thank you

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