



how to
make

Shopping Tote

#A532

DIFFICULTY ● ● ●

Approximate Time of project: 1+ hour

MATERIALS

1m of upholstery or canvas fabric

1m of denim

Matching thread

EQUIPMENT

Scissors

Sewing machine

Iron

Pins

Ruler

Tailors chalk

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Cut out the following fabric pieces for all parts of the bag:
 - Body of bag: 50cm x 90cm
 - Base of bag: 50cm x 35cm
 - Handles: two strips of 12cm x 100cm
2. Fold and press one edge of each handle under 3cm and other edge by 1cm. Fold handle in half, press into place. Repeat for second handle strip.
3. Stitch close to the edges of each handle.
4. On the 50cm x 85cm create a 2.5cm double folded hem on the 50cm edge. Press and sew hem.
5. On the right side of the fabric, pin handles into place. Bottom of handles will be approx. 30cm from the top edge, 16cm between each handle and 13cm from the raw edge.
6. Carefully stitch handles into place. Ensure to stitch over the handle stitches.
7. Repeat for other handle.
8. Fold and press 1cm hem along the 50cm edges of the fabric for the base of the bag.

9. With right sides facing up, place and line up the centre of the base to the centre of the bag body. Ensure fabric is even and flat. Sew along the folded hem of the base.
10. Fold bag with right side together.
11. Sew down the side seam with a straight stitch. Zig Zag the seam allowance to stop fabric from fraying.
12. Fold bag at base to create a triangle with the side seam in the centre of the triangle. Measure 9cm from the corner up the side seam and draw a line and pin into place.
13. Sew across marked line, cut off excess fabric and zig zag seam allowance.
14. Flip inside out.



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