

how to make

Fold Up Bag

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DIFFICULTY • • •

Approximate Time of project: 1 + hours

MATERIALS

1m of calico
Bag Flap Template
Small amount of hat elastic
Matching thread
1 large button

EQUIPMENT

Paper Scissors Fabric Scissors Pinking shears Iron Pins Ruler Tailors chalk Sewing machine

STEPS

- 1. Cut out two fabric pieces from the supplied flap template.
- Cut out the following fabric pieces: Bag body – 2 x 50 by 40cm Straps – 2 x 90cm by 10cm
- Fold and press each edge under 1cm of each handle. Fold handle in half, press into place. Repeat for second handle strip.
- Stitch close to the edges of each handle
- Place the flap fabric right sides together with the hat elastic placed in between the material as marked on the template.
- Sew with a seam allowance of 1cm around the flap shape leaving a small gap as marked on the template.
- Clip seams of flap piece, turn inside out and press.
- Top stitch around the edge of the piece and sewing on the button. Ensuring you sew the gap closed.

- Place the flap template onto one right side of the body bag with the button closest to the top edge. The flap should sit approximately 12cm from the top edge and sides.
- 10. Sew flap onto body as marked on the template.
- 11. Cut 5cm x 5cm from the bottom corners from the bag body.
- 12. Place right sides of the bag together. Sew the sides and bottom of the bag with a 1cm seam allowance.
- 13. With the side seam of the bag in the centre, pinch and pin the two edges at the bottom of the bag closed. Repeat for other side. Sew and clip seams.
- 14. Fold over the top edge of the bag by 1cm then 5cm and press into place.
- 15. Slide the handles into place under the folded edge approximately 7cm from the bag edge. Flip the handles toward the top edge. Pin handles and folded edge into place.
- 16. Sew around the top and bottom of the folded edge.
- Turn inside out and press.













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