SEWING PATTERN #1 - DENNY TOTE - Grocery/Beach Bag by IMPWEARhome







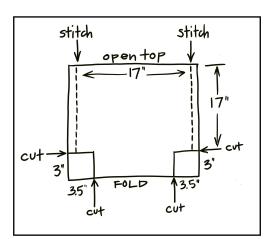
The tote has finally been perfected! Nicknamed the "Denny", this simple bag can be worn on the side or cross-body, with plenty of room for your school books, groceries, beach gear, gym gear, or anything else. The inside pocket keeps your phone, wallet, keys secure. This simple and practical tote is a breeze to make & a joy to use.18"w x 20"h x 7"d | 36" seatbelt webbing strap | inside pocket | can be worn on the shoulder or cross-body | top snap

Go ahead, use our amazing IMPWEARhome Laminated Cotton wipe 'N' WASH

100% Cotton, Laminated I Splash, Slop, Spill Proof I Durable & Long-Lasting Water-based urethane laminated cotton CPSIA certified, BPA & Phthalate-free, food-safe and earth-safe. UV rays harm fabric. Prolonged direct sun will discolor fabric. Wipe clean with damp cloth, scrub stains on back side. Machine wash warm okay, hang dry, iron low.

Materials:

- Fabric: 1/2 yd laminated cotton. IMPWEARhome laminated cotton fabric is perfect! Don't pick a fabric with a 1-way print unless you adjust the pattern. (Cut 2 sides with print right side up & sew a bottom seam = more advanced)
- 8.5"x11" of contrasting or same fabric for a pocket. Use a piece of printer paper for a "pattern" for your pocket.
- 1 yd of 2" wide seatbelt webbing. Longer if you are big or super tall.
- Snap for top closure. I use KAMsnaps, Size 20.



Sewing Notes

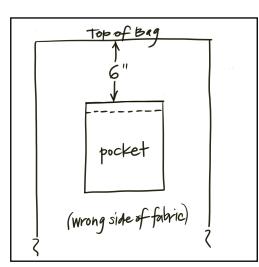
RS = Right Sides, RST = Right Sides Together Fear not: Sewing with laminated cotton is easier than it looks.

Standard or heavy thread and Denim needle work well.

Needle suggestion: SCHMETZ NonStick size 100 Use a longer than normal stitch length.

No need to bind or serge cut edges. Fabric won't unravel - it's sealed

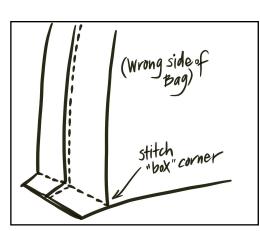
Cut



1. Cut a long rectangle, 18" W x 44" L With bags, as opposed to garments, it doesn't matter which way you cut the patterns on the fabric. Crossways is fine, depending on the print. Note: Our fabric prints are designed to accommodate cutting horizontal or vertical.

Our fabrics are also 58" wide. You can cut 3-across out of 1.5 yd.

2. Fold your rectangle in half lengthwise, RST. Diagram MEASURES-18"w x 20"h. (Adjust height for longer or shorter bag)



3. Cut 3" x 3.5" corners out of the folded side. Add 1/2" on open side for seam allowance. (see illustration)

Sew

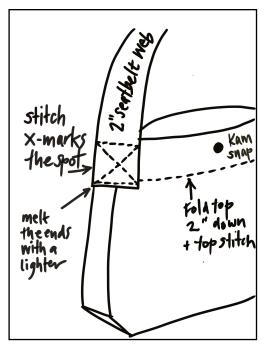
4. Pocket: Fold 1/2" over & sew across the top.

5. Pin pocket (6" down and centered) to inside of one side of the bag. Sew in place. no need to fold in or finish the edges as laminated cotton doesn't fray. Don't worry about pin holes, they will "heal".

6. Fold bag body in 1/2, RST. Stitch down both sides.

7. Make bottom "box" corners, stitch RST.

8. Fold top 2" down, wrong sides together, all the way around the top of the bag you have now made. Press. Pin so it doesn't twist. Stitch at the bottom of the 2". No need to fold bottom of hem under - it won't unravel because it's laminated.



Attach the Handle

8. Cut the ends of the seatbelt webbing straight and melt ends with a lighter or candle.

9. Pin & sew a 2" square and an "X" to attach the handle. Note: I sew my fabric label under one of the handle ends. You can use a patch, label, or a folded piece of fabric for fun / bling.

Add a Snap - KAMsnap or other - top middle. Or add button, strings to tie... your choice.

Now pack it up and go to the beach, or gym, or library, or farmer's market or ?

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