



## MATERIALS

### Coats & Clark™ Dual Duty XP™ All-purpose Thread

5/8 yd (57cm) canvas or duck, for side one

5/8 yd (57cm) cotton print, for side two

1 1/2 yds (122cm) coordinating webbing, 1" (2.5cm) wide

Pattern tracing cloth



SEWING | SKILL LEVEL: **BEGINNER**

### Featuring Coats & Clark™ Dual Duty XP™ All-purpose Thread

Perfect for shopping, this soft and foldable tote comes with a bonus—it's reversible! Choose a sturdy fabric like canvas or duck for side one, and a coordinated cotton print for side two. This tote is fast and fun to sew.

### MEASUREMENTS

12" x 15" x 3" (30.5cm x 38cm x 7.5cm)

### PREPARATION

To make the pattern for the tote body, draw a rectangle 19 1/2" (49.5cm) wide and 18" (46cm) tall onto pattern tracing cloth. From both lower corners, cut out a 2" (5cm) square.

### CUTTING

**From both the side one and side two fabrics, cut:**  
(2) tote body

Seam allowances are 1/2" (1.5cm).

### ASSEMBLING THE TOTE

1. Sew the side and bottom seams in the side one tote. Press the seam allowances open.
2. To box the corners, fold the side and bottom seams on top of each other and sew across the straight edge. Repeat for the second corner.
3. Repeat steps 1 and 2 for side two, except leave a 4" (10cm) opening in the bottom seam to allow for turning.
4. Cut the webbing in half to make two handles. Mark the upper center front and back on both the tote sections. Matching the cut edges, position the webbing 2 1/2" (6.5cm) from the center marks at the upper edges of side one, both front and back. Baste in place.

5. With right sides together, insert side two into side one, matching side seams and centers. Sew around the top of the tote. Press the seam open.
6. Push side two inside side one, aligning the seam exactly along the upper edge. Topstitch  $\frac{3}{8}$ " (1cm) from the upper edge using a thread color that coordinates with both sides.

### **FINISHING**

1. Hand- or machine-stitch the side two opening closed.
2. Turn the tote to either side.

