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#### **MATERIALS**

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

Coats & Clark™ Sport Zipper, 30" (76.20cm)

1/2 yd (45.72cm) navy linen, 60" (152.40cm), for outer case

½ yd (45.72cm) cotton print, for lining/binding

1/3 yd (30.48cm) non-woven faux suede for interior accents, 60" (152.40cm)

1/4 yd (22.86cm) single-sided fusible ultra-firm stabilizer, 20" (50.80cm)

3/2 yd (60.96cm) single-sided fusible foam stabilizer, 20" (50.80cm)

Zipper foot

Non-stick presser foot



#### SEWING I SKILL LEVEL: ADVANCED

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

Keeping all your techie stuff organized can be troublesome, but this handy zippered case is a go-to solution. Keep your phone, tablet, e-reader, ear buds and/or chargers zipped together with a Coats & Clark™ Sport Zipper in this handsome case.

#### **MEASUREMENTS**

8" x 10" (20.32cm x 25.40cm)

#### **CUTTING**

## From the navy linen, cut:

- (2) rectangles, 11" x 12" (27.94cm x 30.48cm)
- (4) strips, 1¼" x width-of-fabric 21.59cm) (3.18cm x WOF), for gussets

## From the cotton print, cut:

- (2) rectangles, 8½" x 10½" (21.59cm x 26.67cm)
- (2) 21/4" x width-of-fabric (WOF), for binding



## From the faux suede, cut:

- (1) strip, 1" x 6" (2.54cm x 15.24cm)
- (1) square, 3½" (8.89cm)
- (1) rectangle, 5" x 4" (12.70cm x 10.16cm)
- (1) strip, 9" x 4" (22.86cm x 10.16cm)
- (1) rectangle, 9" x 8½" (22.86cm x

**Note:** Suede has a nap, so cut all pieced with the top in a single direction. Mark the top on the wrong side of each cut piece.

## From the ultra-firm stabilizer, cut:

(2) rectangles, 8½" x 10½" (21.59cm x 26.67cm)

## From the single-sided foam, cut:

(2) rectangles, 11" x 12" (27.94cm x 30.48cm)





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## **PREPARATION**

- 1. Fuse the ultra-firm stabilizer to the wrong side of each cotton lining piece.
- 2. After fusing, mark 1" (2.54cm) in each direction at all the corners. Using a small plate or glass, connect the marked lines to form a very shallow curve. Trim all the corners along the marked line.

## ASSEMBLING THE OUTER CASE

- 1. Following the manufacturer's instructions, fuse the foam to the wrong side of each navy rectangle.
- 2. Draw a 45° line from corner to corner and 1½" (3.81cm) apart across both rectangles in one direction.
- 3. Using matching thread, guilt on the marked lines.
- 4. Trim the quilted pieces to match the lining rectangles.

## **ASSEMBLING THE LINING**

- On the large suede rectangle, measure 5" (12.70cm) along the left long side and mark. Use a ruler to connect the marking to the upper right corner. Trim along the line forming the diagonal pocket edge.
- Edgestitch the top of each rectangle, and along both long edges of the strip. **TIP:** Use the non-stick presser foot if you experience uneven feeding on the suede. If you don't have a non-stick foot, cover the underside of you presser foot with transparent tape and poke a needle hole.
- 3. Place the 9" x 4" (22.86cm x 10.16cm) suede strip over the piece with the slanted edge and baste the side and lower edges.
- 4. Following the placement guide, position the pockets and strip as shown on the lining pieces. Edgestitch the 3½" (8.89cm) pocket in place along the sides and bottom, backstitching at the upper edge.
- 5. Sew the ends of the narrow strip in place.

- 6. For the slanted pocket side, form a small pleat in the lower outer corner, then edgestitch in place along the sides and bottom, backstitching at the upper edge. Note that the pockets are actually wider than the lining space they're attached to, but the small pleats allow for some dimension to hold the items put into the pocket.
- 7. For the 5" x 4" (12.70cm x 10.16cm) pocket, form two pleats in the lower edge so that the pocket is 3" (7.62cm) wide. Stitch in place, backstitching at the upper edges.

## **ASSEMBLING THE CASE**

- 1. With wrong sides together, lay each lining section over a quilted rectangle. Baste the pieces together very close to the edges, then trim the quilted layer to match the lining layer.
- Encase each edge of the zipper tape between two gusset strips placed right sides together. Sew a scant 1/4" (.64cm) seam along the entire zipper length. Press the gusset strips away

- from the zipper and edgestitch the folds. Sew the outer cut edges together on each side. Trim the extra gusset strip length.
- 3. Mark the outside case edge centers and the center of the zipper on the gusset edge. Placing the pull at the upper edge, matching the centers and with right sides together, pin the zipper gusset around the outer case edges, noting that it will be shorter than the case perimeter. Sew the gusset to the case, starting and stopping 1" (2.54cm) from each end of the zipper. Open the zipper part way and repeat the gusset attachment for the opposite side, again matching centers.
- 4. To create a hinge, measure the distance between the zipper ends and add 1½" (3.81cm). Cut two strips that length x 3" (7.62cm) wide. With right sides together, sew the short ends together. Press the seams open and turn right side out. Press matching the seams at the center.



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- 5. Position the hinge fold edge under the unsewn ends of the zipper, matching the cut edges to the case. Depending on how 2. Aligning the cut edges and you inserted the zipper, you may need to unsew a few more stitches so the hinge lies flat. Continue the zipper stitching on both sides to finish the 3. Turn the binding over the seam perimeter seaming.
- 6. To make the hinge liner, measure the space between the zipper ends on the inside of the case, add 1½" (3.81cm) and cut a rectangle of lining fabric that length x 3" (7.62cm) wide. Press under the short ends of the rectangle ½" (1.27cm). Matching the long cut edges, position the hinge lining over the hinge area and stitch the long edges in place.
- 7. To complete the hinge area, hand-stitch the short ends of each hinge and hinge lining to the zipper tape enclosing the zipper ends.

#### **FINISHING**

- 1. Press each binding strip in half, wrong sides together.
  - beginning at the hinge area, sew the binding to the gusset seam, following the previous stitching line as a guide.
- allowances and hand-stitch in place to finish. Repeat for the opposite half of the case.



#### **Placement Guides**



