

Wrap It Up Gift Bags



featuring the Gulls Just Wanna Have Fun collection





Gulls Just Wanna Have Fun

You'll Need

- 1/4 yard each of large gull, shell, and daisy prints
- 2/3 yard of coral tonal
- 1-1/4 yards of gulls on posts print



Cutting *(for both bags)*

From the large gull print:
(1) 5" x WOF strip

From the shell print:
(2) 2-1/2" x WOF strips

From the daisy print:
(1) 4" x WOF strip

From the coral print:
(1) 4" x WOF strip
(4) 1-1/2" x WOF strips
(1) 11" x 19" piece for lining

From the gulls on posts print:
(1) 4" x 42" *lengthwise* strip
(2) 15" x 20" pieces for lining



Gift Bag

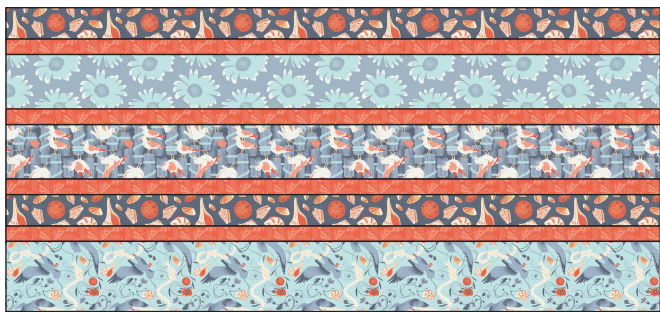
Wine Bag



Make the Gift Bag

1. Sew together the following strips lengthwise as shown:

- (1) 2-1/2" x WOF shell strip
- (1) 1-1/2" x WOF coral strip
- (1) 4" x WOF daisy strip
- (1) 1-1/2" x WOF coral strip
- (1) 4" x 42" gulls on posts strip
- (1) 1-1/2" x WOF coral strip
- (1) 2-1/2" x WOF shell strip
- (1) 1-1/2" x WOF coral strip
- (1) 5" x WOF large gull strip

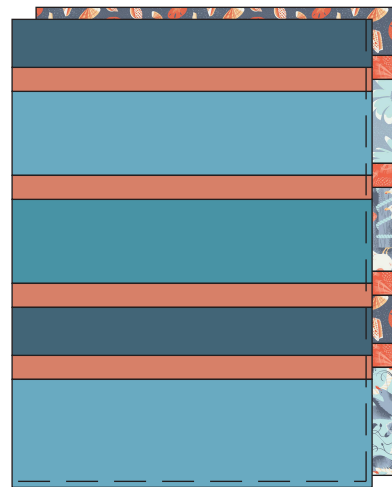


Tip: Do not press seams until all strips have been sewn together; this helps prevent warping the skinnier strips.

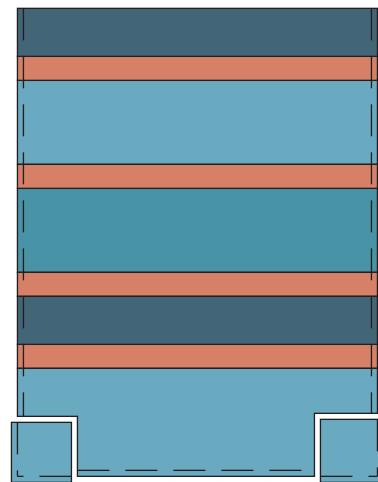
2. From this pieced strip set, cut two 15" x 20" sections. Reserve the remainder for making the wine bag.



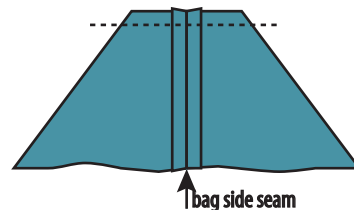
3. Layer the two pieced sections right sides together and pin, matching seams. Sew around the long sides and the bottom with a 1/4" seam allowance. Backstitch at both open ends.



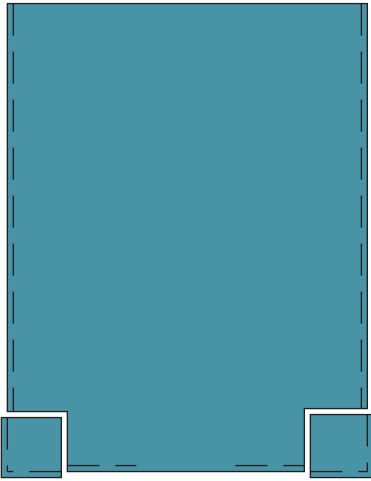
4. Cut 2-1/2" squares from both bottom corners.



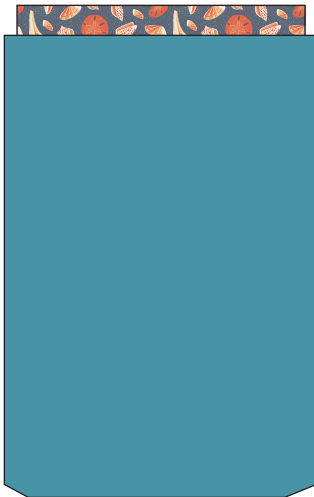
5. On one bottom corner, bring the side and bottom seams together so they meet. Pin the raw edges along the seams and then stitch to box the corner. Repeat on the opposite corner.



6. Sew two 15" x 20" gulls on posts pieces right sides together, leaving one short end open and leaving a 5" opening on the opposite short end as shown on the next page. Box the corners in the same way as for the outer bag.



7. Turn the outer bag right side out and stuff inside the lining, with right sides facing. Pin the raw edges along the top, making sure the side seams match. Sew around the top with a 1/4" seam allowance.



8. Turn the bag right side out through the opening. Slipstitch the opening closed. Stuff the lining in the outer bag and press the top edge. Topstitch around the top edge.

9. To make the tie strap, press the 4" x WOF coral strip in half the long way, wrong sides facing. Fold each half in to the center fold line and press. Press each short end in 1/4" to hide raw edges. Refold and topstitch down both long sides of the strap, and along the short ends as well.



10. Find the center of the strap and the center of one side of the bag. Decide how far down the bag you want to attach the strap. Pin the center of the strap to the center of the bag and stitch with a box and an X to secure. Your bag is done!

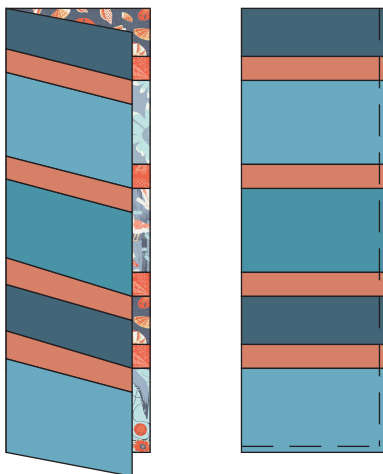


Make the Wine Bag

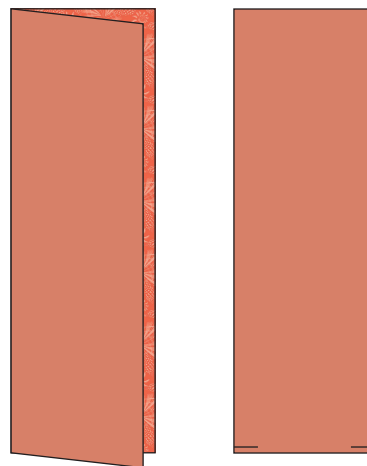
1. Trim the remaining pieced strip from Step 2 so it measures 11" wide. Trim 1" off the large gulls strip on the bottom.



2. Fold the pieced strip in half the long way right right sides together. Sew along the bottom edge and long side edge with a 1/4" seam allowance.



3. Do the same with the 11" x 19" coral piece for the lining, leaving an opening along the bottom for turning.



4. Turn the outer bag right side out and stuff inside the lining, with right sides facing. Pin the raw edges along the top, making sure the side seams match. Sew around the top with a 1/4" seam allowance.

5. Turn the bag right side out through the opening. Slipstitch the opening closed. Stuff the lining in the outer bag and press the top edge. Top-stitch around the top edge.