



“CRAZY PATCH PURSE ORGANIZER”



While crazy patch may seem hard to do and intimidating to some, it should in fact be thought of as just the opposite. Crazy patch projects are a good way to learn and test techniques, threads, trims, stitches and even fabrics. Because you use small pieces in random order, you can always cover up edges, add a trim or a button, or even throw out a piece along the way. When the project is all finished no one will know mistakes you may have encountered along the way because each crazy patch project is unique and perfect in every way!

Make this crazy patch purse organizer to keep all your important things in reach. No more digging for keys or your cell phone.

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Supplies:

Baby Lock sewing machine

Assorted color fabric remnants

Assorted trims, fibers, and ribbons

13" x 15" piece of muslin for crazy patch base

11" x 13" piece for pocket lining

All-purpose thread to blend with most colors

Contrasting decorative or clear monofilament thread

One spring clip for keys

Rotary cutter, mat, and ruler

Basic sewing supplies

Here are some tips for crazy patch:

- *Start with a foundation fabric.*
- *Have fun and mix colors and fabrics that “break the rules” of garment sewing or traditional quilting.*
- *Experiment with stitches you have not tried. This is a great project to get to know your sewing machine and all it’s wonderful stitches.*
- *Left over bits and scraps of lace and trims are perfect for crazy patch projects, stitch them to an area that you can cover the ends with another fabric piece.*
- *Use accessory feet like the 3,5 or 7 hole cording feet to stitch rows of cord for surface embellishment.*
- *Add strands of beads with the pearl and piping foot.*
- *Add bobbin work, place decorative threads or cords in the bobbin (see machine manual for threading assistance and recommendations) and stitch with the wrong side of the fabric facing upward.*
- *Do you have test sew outs of embroidery designs or maybe one with an imperfection? Add them in or cut the embroidery in half!*
- *Try Baby Lock’s Embellisher machine for surface embellishment or to create your own fabric pieces first.*

Instructions:

1. Thread the machine with the all-purpose thread.
2. Cut one geometric shaped piece approximately 3” in size from one of the remnant pieces of fabric.
3. Lay the piece right side up onto the muslin base.
4. Place another piece with right sides together aligning one edge. Stitch ¼” from the edge.
5. Flip the top piece over to reveal the right side. Press.
6. Attach another remnant piece to any other edge and continue stitching and flipping pieces, until the muslin piece is covered.
7. Thread the machine with decorative or monofilament thread.
8. Attach trims, ribbons and decorative fibers to the surface of the crazy patch piece.
9. Add any decorative stitches, embroidery designs or free-motion embroidery you desire.
10. Trim the piece to 11” x 13”. Placing right sides together align the back to the crazy patch piece.
11. Stitch the back to the front piece using a ¼” seam allowance and leaving an opening for turning.
12. Turn and press. Press the opening closed, using a small piece of fusible web.
13. Fold the piece in half lengthwise, matching the top edges with the crazy patchwork facing outward.
14. Topstitch both ends 1/8” from the edge thru both layers.
15. Divide the strip as desired to create pockets.
16. Using a small piece of trim or ribbon, attach the spring clip to the inside or the edge of one pocket.

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