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“Pretty Little Patchwork Pouch”

by Kelly Bowser



This cute patchwork pouch is a quick project perfect for using up all those pesky scraps! This little bag is great as a small gift or as a beautiful wrapping for gift cards or other small items.

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Baby Lock machine: Baby Lock Symphony

SUPPLIES:

Baby Lock Sewing Machine

Scraps- enough to make (42) 2" squares

(2) 3"x11" pieces of linen or linen blend fabric

(1) 9" metal zipper--the zipper tape should measure between 10.5"-11"

(2) pieces of 7.5"x11" fabric for lining/interior

(2) pieces of Pellon Shape Flex (SF101) or similar interfacing measuring 7.5"x11"

1 Spool all-purpose thread

Optional: cup or bowl to make the bottom of the pouch curved

INSTRUCTIONS: Use a 1/4" seam allowance unless otherwise indicated.

Step 1: Sew 2" squares into two rectangles that have 3 rows of 7 squares. You will use 21 squares for each rectangle. I like to press all my seams open.

Step 2: Sew the linen along the 11" side to the top of each patchwork rectangle.

Step 3: Press the seam allowance toward the linen.

Step 4: Top stitch 1/8" from the patchwork rectangle on the linen. This simply gives the pouch a more polished look.



Step 5: Fuse the interfacing to each linen/patchwork exterior unit.

Step 6: Layer one lining/interior rectangle right side up, the zipper right side up, and the exterior patchwork unit right side down. Match along the 11" side and pin in place.

Step 7: With your zipper foot attached, sew all three layers together.

Step 8: Open and put the interior and exterior wrong sides together and press the interior and exterior away from the zipper teeth.



Step 9: Top stitch 1/8" away from the zipper teeth. This secures the exterior and interior fabrics away from the teeth and also gives the pouch a finished look.

Repeat steps 6-9 to attach the other interior and exterior pieces

Optional: using a cup or bowl as your guide, draw a curved line at the bottom corner of each interior and exterior piece and trim to give the pouch rounded bottom corners.

Step 10: Open the zipper at least half way

Step 11: Put exteriors right sides together

Step 12: Put interiors right sides together, pin in place

Step 13: Using a 3/8" OR 1/2" seam allowance, sew all the way around the pouch, leaving a 3" hole in the lining for turning.

Step 14: Turn the pouch right side out, pushing out the corners and zipper ends. Press

Step 15: For the lining, press the seam allowance inward, pin in place, then sew closed using a 1/8" seam allowance, making sure to back stitch at each end.

Step 16: You're done! You just created one adorable pouch that measures approximately 6.5"x10"

