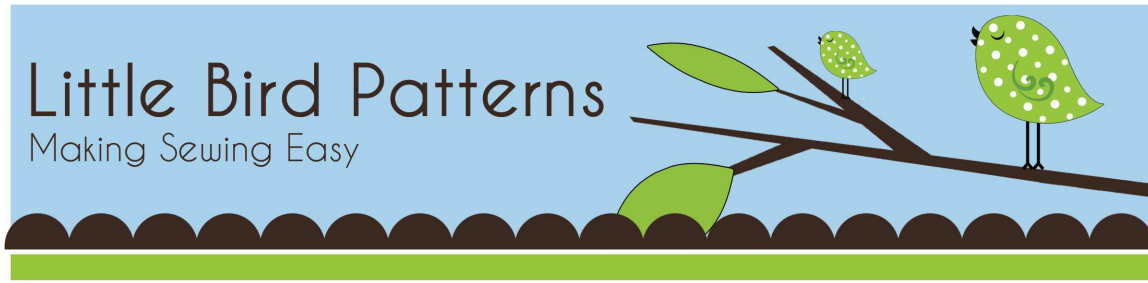


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Super Simple Satchel

Materials Required:

Pattern Template – 1 x A4 sized piece of paper

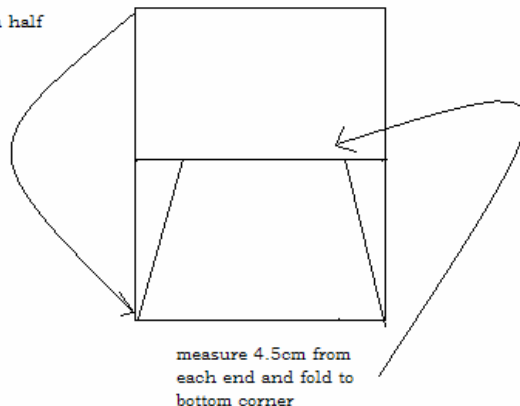
Fabric – 40cm (112cm wide fabric) or 2 fat quarters

Velcro to close (optional)

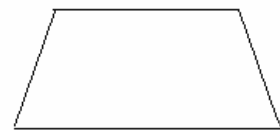
Step 1 – Cutting the Fabric

1. Using your A4 sheet as a template cut 4 bag panels (two as outer fabric and two as lining)
2. Measure directly onto the fabric a rectangle 96cm long x 7cm wide for the shoulder strap (if using fat quarters you can join the fabric pieces to make a longer length).
3. Fold your A4 sheet in half, along the top, measure 4.5cm from each edge and fold from this point to the bottom corner. This is the template for the top bag flap.

fold A4 in half



measure 4.5cm from each end and fold to bottom corner

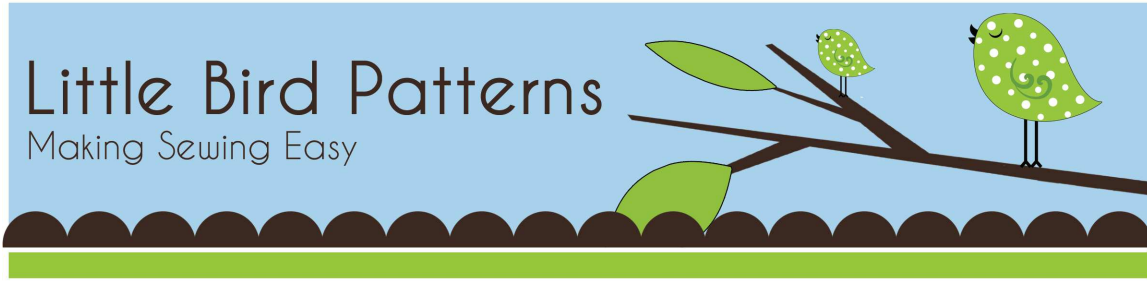


this is the finished shape for the bag flap template

4. Using your folded template, cut two bag flap panels.

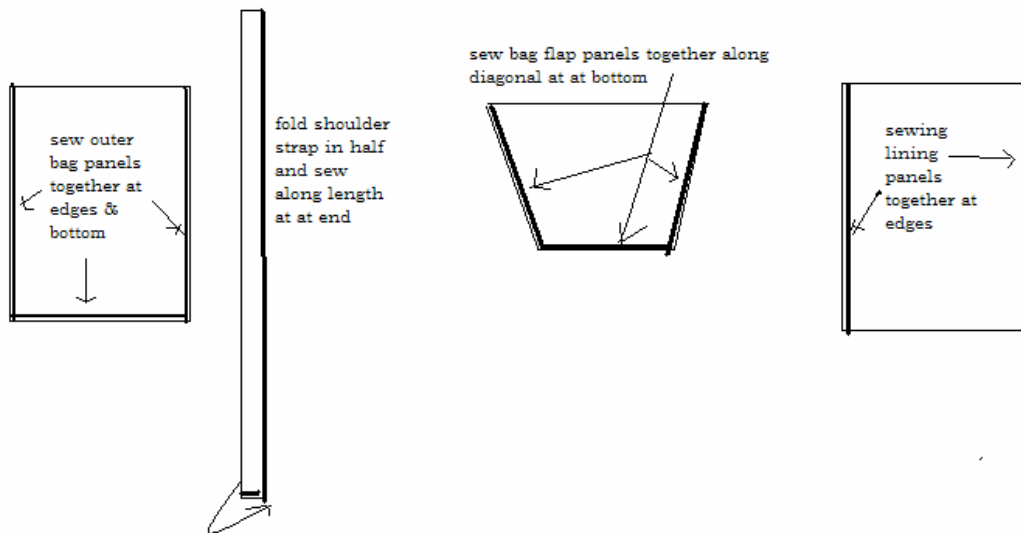
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Step 2 – Sewing the Satchel Panels

1. With the right sides of the fabric together, sew the two outer bag panels together down each edge and along the bottom. Turn the bag panels the right way around – push out corners.
2. Fold the shoulder strap panel in half along its length so that the right sides of the fabric are facing. Sew together along one end and down the length of the strap, turn the right way around through the open end.
3. With the right sides of the fabric together, sew the two bag flap panels together down each diagonal edge and along the bottom (the shortest side). Turn the bag flap panels the right way around – push out corners.
4. With the right sides together, sew the two lining bag panels together down each edge only. Leave the lining panels inside out.



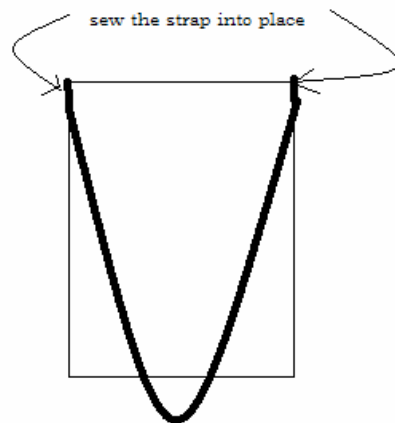
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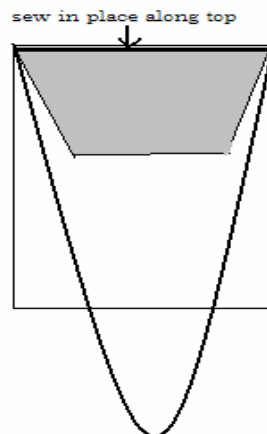


Step 3 – Assembling the Satchel

1. Sew the ends of the straps onto the outer bag panels. The bag panels are the right way around and the straps will be pointing downwards. Sew the straps to the bag panel at each side seam at the top (within the seam allowance). This step is to simply keep the straps in place, as they are sewn in properly when the lining panel is added.

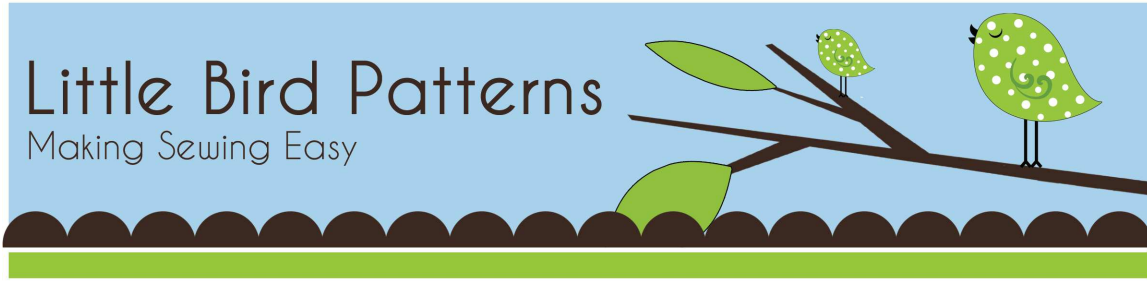


2. Sew the bag flap onto the front of the outer bag panels. The flap is sewn on with the right side facing the right side of the outer bag panel and the flap pointing downwards. This step is to simply keep the bag flap in place, as it is sewn in properly when the lining panel is added.

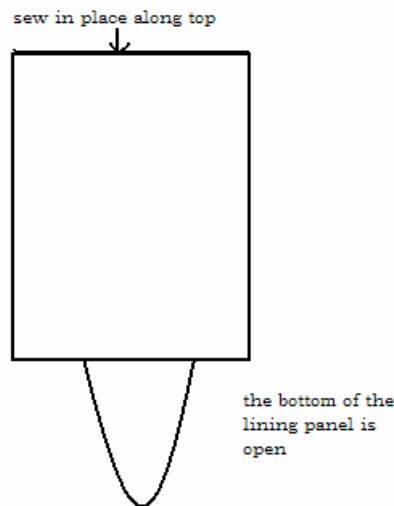


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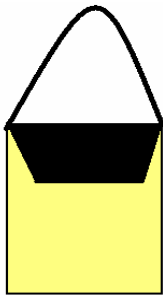
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3. Slip the lining panel, which should be inside out, over the outer bag panels (including the strap and flap). The right sides of the lining and the outer bag panels will be facing. Line up the side seams and sew the lining to the outer bag along the top capturing the straps and the flap in the seam.



4. Finally, flip the lining into the bag and finish the open bottom edge of the lining with a top stitch, your bag is now finished and all straps and the flap should be neatly sewn into place with no visible seams. Hand sew some Velcro for closing the bag – optional!



The End