Embroidery-to-Go Bag
Skill Level: Beginner



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This square embroidery travel case features a zipper that goes almost all the way around the side panel and a top handle for easy portability. The back of the case has a large pocket that will hold your 6" or 8" embroidery hoop. Inside is a sturdy 5-section divider that will hold all your carded embroidery floss, plus extra room for scissors and other notions.

Fabric Needed

Exterior	1/2 yard
Interior	1/2 yard
7" x 9" Light Fabric	One piece (Sample used Kona White)

Materials Needed

Pellon® TP971F Thermolam® Plus	1/3 yard
Pellon® SF101 Shape-Flex®	1 yard
Pellon® 809 Décor Bond®	1/3 yard
Pellon® 810 Tru Grid™	1 yard
Pellon® 380 Soft-N-Stay™	9" square (substitute heavier stabilizer for heavier fabric)

28" zipper
Thread
Fabric Marker
Tape
Dressmaker pencil/wash-away fabric marker OR carbon paper
Embroidery floss (see chart for colors)
Needle

Tools Needed

7" embroidery hoop
Ruler
Sewing machine and related supplies

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Cutting and Assembly

All seam allowances are 1/2" unless other noted
Finished size: 9 1/2" x 7" x 1 3/4"

Cut all pieces following instructions on the Tru Grid™ Layout Page.

Transfer embroidery design to the 7" x 9" light fabric using the embroidery template. The image can be taped face up to a window and traced onto the fabric or can be drawn using the carbon paper and the reverse image. Place the Stay-n-soft™ on the wrong side of the embroidery fabric and baste the two pieces together on the outside edge. Place fabric and stabilizer in an embroidery hoop and embroider following color key and stitches listed on the embroidery key page. Press embroidery from the back.

Place one 1" x 7" exterior strip on the left and one on the right edge of the embroidery piece right sides together as shown. Sew using a 1/4" seam allowance. Press seams open.



Place one 7/8" x 11 1/2" exterior strip on the top and one on the bottom of the embroidery piece, right sides together as shown. Sew using a 1/4" seam allowance. Press seams open.

This finished embroidery panel is one of the exterior main panels.



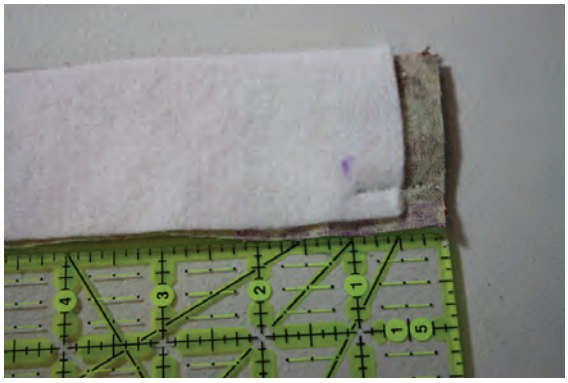
Fuse the Fabric

Fuse the corresponding pieces of Thermolam® Plus to the wrong side of both exterior and interior main panels panels, the exterior and interior zipper panels, and the exterior and interior top panels.

Fuse the corresponding pieces of Shape-Flex® to the wrong side of the pocket pieces and the handle pieces.

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Attach The Zipper



Cut the exterior zipper panel in half lengthwise.

Place the two pieces right sides together. Measure and mark 1" in from the left and right hand edges. Sew from the mark to the edge (stitched area will be 1" long) using a 5/8" seam allowance.

Repeat this step with the interior zipper panel.



On the exterior zipper panel baste the seam inbetween these two stitched lines with a 5/8" seam allowance. Press the seam open.

On the interior zipper panel, press a 5/8" seam allowance between the two stitched lines.

With the wrong side of the exterior zipper panel facing up, place the zipper face down. The teeth should be on top of the basting stitches. Pin in place.

Sew zipper on all sides using a 1/4" seam allowance.

Make the Handle



Place the two handle pieces right sides together. Sew along both long edges.

Turn the handle right side out. Press. Pass the Thermolam® Plus insert into the tube. Fuse according to the manufacturer's instructions.

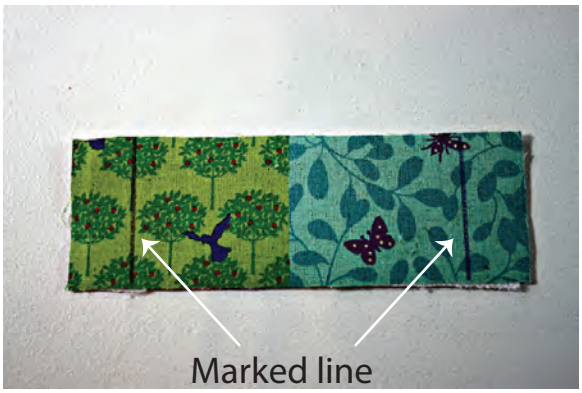
HINT: Use a safety pin attached to one end of the handle insert to pass it through the tube easily.

Turn both unfinished edges in 1/2". Topstitch 1/4" from both finished edges.

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Place a mark 1" in from both short edges of the exterior top panel.



Place the short edges of the handle just inside the marks made, centering the handle on the top panel. Sew handle on short edge 1/8" from the edge. Sew another row of stitches 1/8" in from the first stitching.



Assemble The Bag

Place both pocket pieces right sides together. Sew on one long edge. Press the seam open.

Turn the fabrics wrong sides together. Press again. Topstitch the straight edge 1/8" from the edge.



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Place the pocket on the exterior main panel without the embroidery, raw edges even. Baste the pocket to the exterior main panel using a 1/4" seam allowance.



Place the exterior zipper panel and the exterior top panel right sides together on both short edges as shown. Sew. Press seams open. Make sure it is not twisted.

Repeat with the interior zipper panel and the interior top panel using a 5/8" seam allowance.

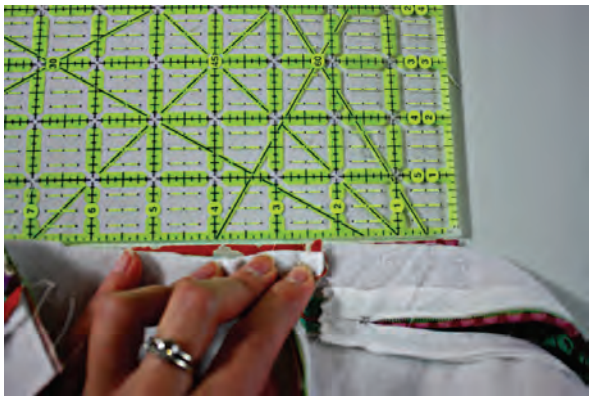
NOTE: This step will form a ring.

Unzip the zipper.



Place the exterior main panel with the embroidery right sides together with the assembled exterior zipper panel. The edge of the seam with the handle should be 2 1/2" in from the right hand corner of the exterior main panel. Pin in place. When pinning the corners ease in a slight curve. Sew along the pinned edge. Press the seam twoard the main panel.

Repeat this step with the other exterior main panel. Pocket opening should be facing the handle.



Repeat this step for both interior main panels using a 5/8" seam allowance.



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Notch small v's into the seam allowance of the corners of both interior and exterior main panels. Do not cut into the seam allowance.



Turn the exterior right side out and the interior wrong side out. Place the interior inside the exterior (wrong sides together). Pin in place along the pressed edges of the interior zipper panel against the wrong side of the zipper.

Slipstitch the pressed edge of the interior zipper panel to the wrong side of the zipper.

Press entire bag.

Assemble the Dividers - Make Five

Fold a divider piece in half, right sides together along the long edge. Sew the long edge.

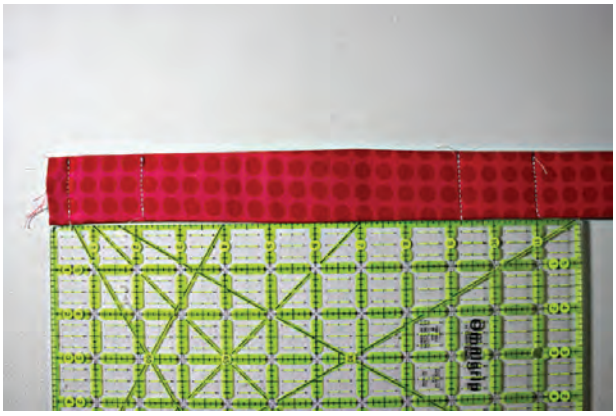
Turn the divider right side out using the turning tool. Press. Turn one raw edge in 1/2". Press.

Slip two pieces of Décor Bond® inside the assembled divider. Use a safety pin to guide the Décor Bond® through the tube. Fuse according to manufacturer's instructions.

Measure in from the raw edge of the divider and make the following marks:

1/2"
2 1/4"
9 1/4"
11"

Stitch on top of the marks just drawn.



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Slide the raw edge of the divider 1/4" into the pressed edge on the opposite end. Topstitch 1/4" from the pressed edge. This creates a 'ring'.

Press along the four stitched lines. This creates a rectangle.



Place one divider on top of another, along the long edges. Topstitch along both long edges 1/8" from edge.

Continue adding another divider until all five are connected.

Place the assembled divider inside your bag.

OPTIONAL: The divider may be adhered to the bottom half of the interior with fabric glue.



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Color Key for Embroidery

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NOTE: Use one strand for DMC Perle #5 and two strands (doubled) for DMC Floss

- 762 very light pearl grey (DMC perle #5)
- 647 medium beaver grey (DMC perle #5)
- 414 dark steel grey (DMC perle #5)
- 413 dark pewter grey (DMC perle #5)
- 336 navy blue (DMC perle #5)
- 310 black (DMC perle sizes #5 and #8)
- 894 very light carnation (DMC perle #5)
- 221 very dark shell pink (DMC perle #5)
- 4075 wheat field (DMC perle variegated #5)
- 3713 very light salmon (DMC stranded floss)
- 898 very dark coffee brown (DMC stranded floss)

note all stitches in backstitch except where noted



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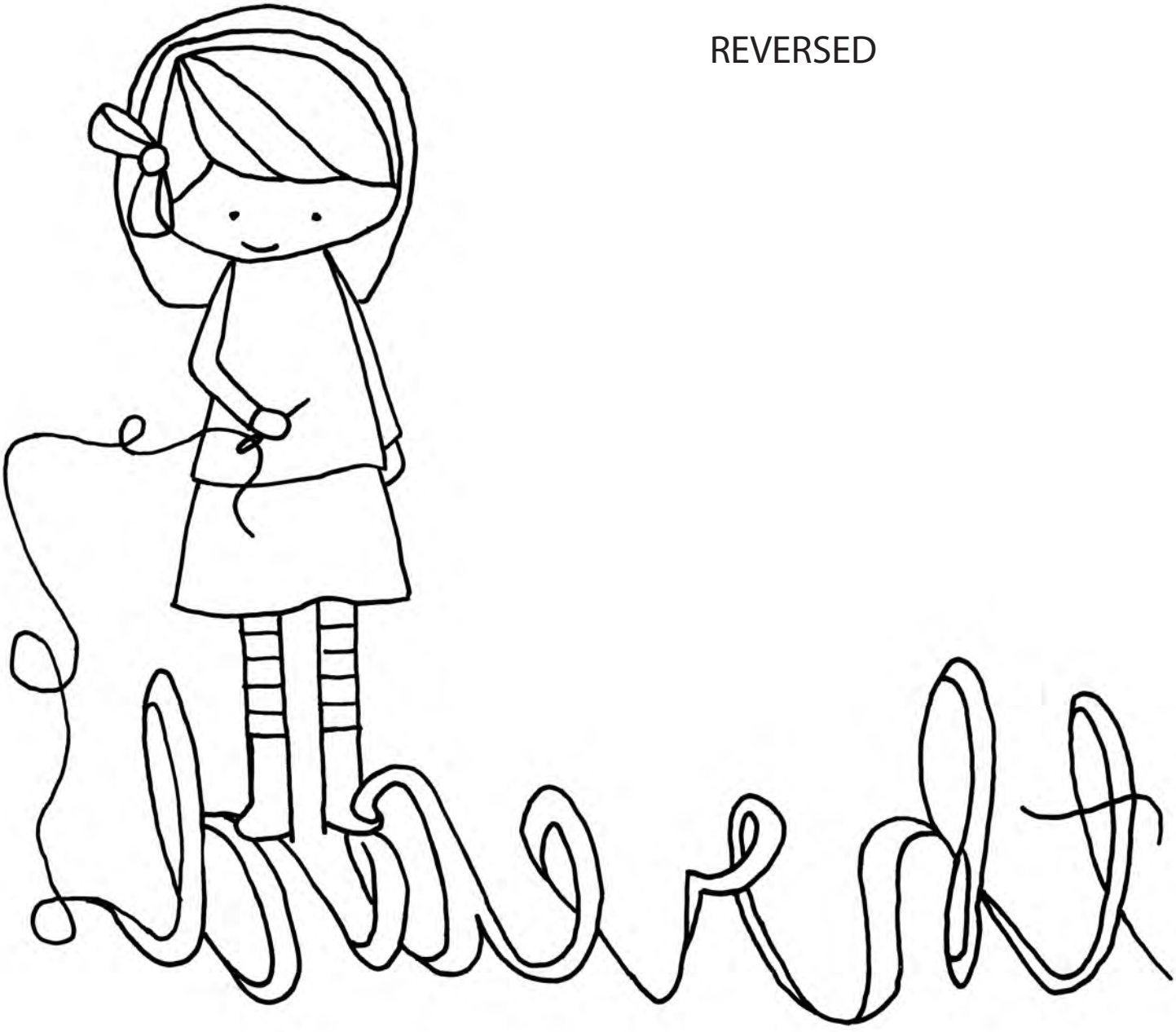
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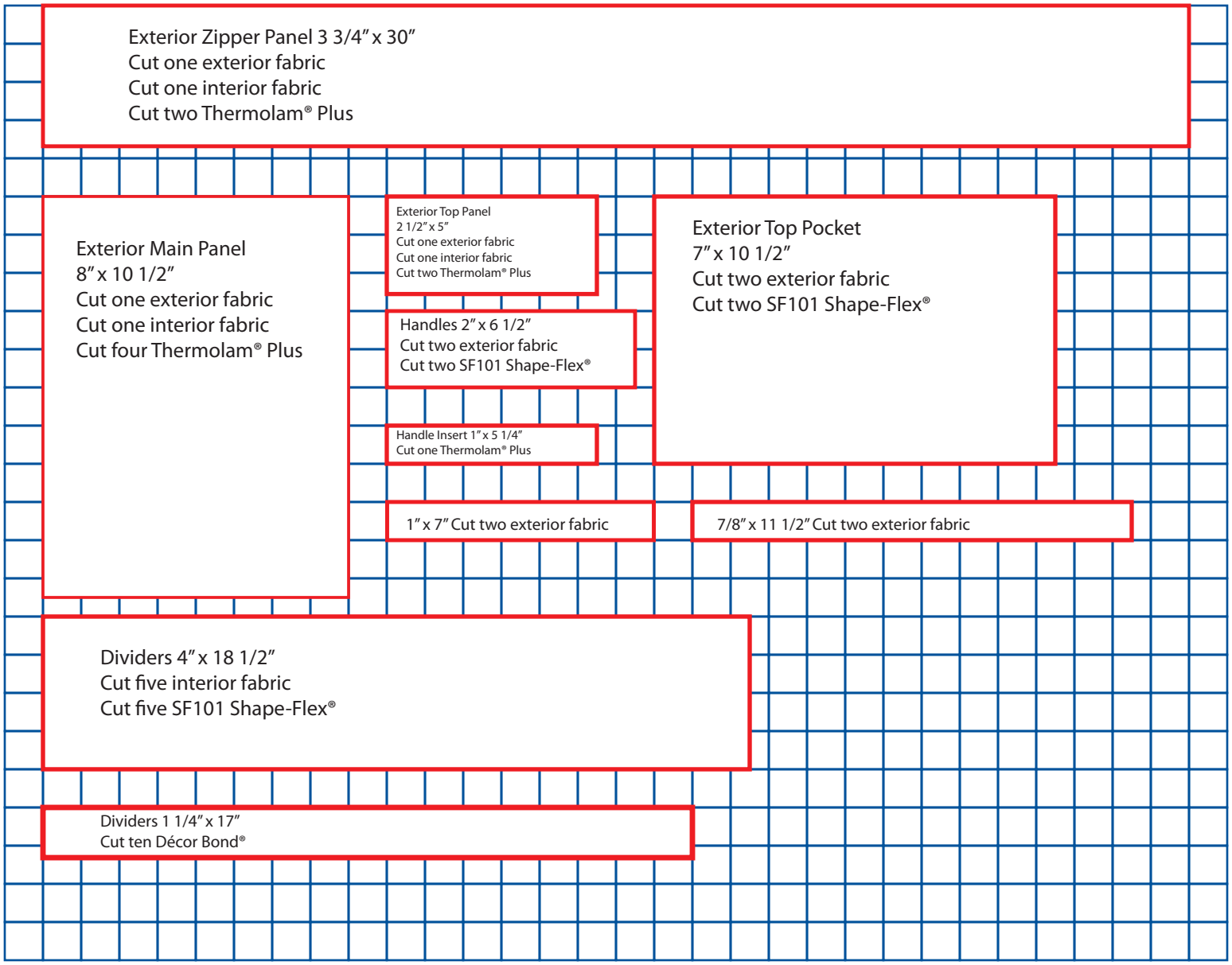
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