



PROJECT PLANNER

Watch the project video and use the planner to note important information and the step-by-step instructions.

Project Name

Draw String
Bag

Start Date:

End Date:

Measurements of project.
(Note pattern size and
finished size.)

Your
measurements
(if required).

To complete the project:

1 Fat Quarter or tea towel or
equivalent (approx 18" x 22" or
46m x 56cm piece of fabric) for
template size. As needed for
other sizes.

2 yards (1.8 metres) or length as
needed Ribbon/Cord/String
Pinking Shears (optional)

Your fabric selection and swatches

Outer Swatch	Ribbon Swatch	Swatch	Swatch	Swatch	Swatch
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Instructions

1. Make up the template on card. You do not have to make a bag this size. Any size of rectangle can be used (see video).
2. From the fabric, cut two 10 $\frac{3}{4}$ " (26.5cm) x 15" (38cm) rectangles.

METHOD ONE - if you have a sleeve arm on your machine

1. Lay the two pieces of fabric down, wrong side up. Measure 3" (6.5cm) from the top and draw a line across the width. Measure 3.5" (9cm) from top and draw a line. Do this on both pieces.
2. Fold and press down to the inside 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ " (1.27 cm) on the top edge. Fold and press again so that the first fold is 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ " (1cm) below the marking for the drawstring channel. On the right side make a mark at the beginning and end of each channel stitch line.
3. Lay the pieces flat and pin two pieces together right sides out.
4. With right sides together and using a 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ " (1.27cm) seam allowance, sew along three sides of the fabric leaving the top open.





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5. Do not sew across the drawstring channel space on either side.

6. Turn the fabric right sides out and use a chop stick or similar to push out the corners. Press the seams and fabric.

7. Turn down the folded edge to both sides making sure they are both even.

Place the bag on the sleeve extension of the machine and

8. Straight stitch the fold fabric making sure to be $\frac{1}{4}$ " (1cm) beyond the bottom drawstring channel line.

9. Find the mark for the upper channel and stitch across all around.

10. Lay the cord down across the width and back again so you have double the width then add $\frac{2}{3}$ " ($\frac{5}{7}$ cm). Cut two of this length.

11. Attach a safety pin to both ends of the ribbon. Feed the ribbon through the channel all around until it comes out the start opening. Make a knot at the ends. Remove the safety pins.

12. Repeat with the other half of the ribbon from the opposite opening. Knot the ends.

13. Use a scissors to make a slanted cut to each ribbon end if you want the knots to be visible.

14. If you do not want the knots visible, manipulate the knot back into the channel.






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Method two

1. On the wrong side, draw the channel lines lightly across the front and back of the fabric at 6.5 cm (3") and 7cm (3.5 cm).
 2. Fold over and press down a 1/2" (1.27cm) fold on the top edge of both pieces.
 3. Then fold and press another 1/2" (1.27cm) so that the folded edge sits 1/4" (6mm) below the bottom of the drawstring channel opening line.
 4. Make a small mark on the right side of fabric where the top drawstring channel line is located.
 5. Pin the folded edge to one piece and repeat for other piece making sure they are both even.
 6. Straight stitch the lower channel line making sure to catch the bottom of the folded fabric.
 7. Repeat for the other channel line using the marking as a guide.
 8. Lay both pieces down and pin right sides together making sure that the channel openings match. Stitch around three sides making sure not to sew across the channel.
 9. Sew a few stitches down from the top of the bag into the channel on both sides.
 10. Lay the cord down across the width and back again so you have double the width then add 2/3" (5/7 cm). Cut two of this length.
 11. Attach a safety pin to both ends of the ribbon. Feed the ribbon through the channel all around until it comes out the start opening. Make a knot at the ends. Remove the safety pins.
 12. Repeat with the other half of the ribbon from the opposite opening. Knot the ends.
 13. Use a scissors to make a slanted cut to each ribbon end if you want the knots to be visible.
 14. If you do not want the knots visible, manipulate the knot back into the channel.
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PROJECT TEMPLATE

