

# A Pencil Case for Lola

We hope that you will enjoy making this handy little case for someone special in your life. Little ones will love it for carrying their pencils, markers, and other treasures. Quilters will appreciate its usefulness for carrying rotary cutters, chalk markers, scissors, and more.

SUPPLIES NEEDED	2"H x 2"W x 8½"L
Main fabric <sup>o</sup> (body)	9" x 12"
Lining fabric (lining)	9" x 12"
Coordinating fabric (border, handle, bindings, zipper pull)	9" x 12"
ByAnnie's Soft and Stable <sup>®*</sup> SS1018/2018	9" x 12"
Handbag Zipper* ZIP24, ZIP30, ZIP40, or ZIPYD	One 14" or longer single-slide zipper
Thread to match fabric	SoFine#50 polyester thread

<sup>o</sup>Avoid directional fabrics until you are familiar with the process. Additional fabric may be required.

\*ByAnnie's Soft and Stable, handbag zippers, and more are available at [ByAnnie.com](http://ByAnnie.com)

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Thanks, too, to Windham Fabrics for the fabrics used for the model on the front of the pattern cover. Ask for *Alice* by Angela Pingel at your local quilt shop.

## Cutting Instructions

From main fabric cut:

- Body — 9" x 12"

From lining fabric cut:

- Body Lining — 9" x 12"

From coordinating fabric cut:

- Zipper Pull — 1" x 12"
- Border — 2¼" x 11"
- Bindings — two 2¼" x 5"
- Handle — 3" x 6½"

From ByAnnie's Soft and Stable<sup>®</sup> cut:

- Body Stabilizer — 9" x 12"



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- Handy zippered pouch
- Quick and easy
- Great for gifting
- Carry art and/or quilting supplies!



**Fun and functional!**

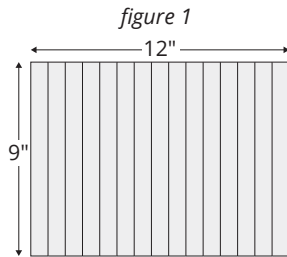
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*NOTE: Use accurate ¼" seams unless directed otherwise. All measurements are listed as height (lengthwise grain of fabric) x width (crosswise grain).*

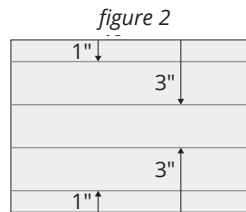
## A. Cut and Quilt

- 1. Following the Cutting Instructions on the back page, cut out the pieces for the project.
- 2. Sandwich the 9" x 12" Body Lining, Body Stabilizer, and Body together, aligning raw edges (lining face down, Soft and Stable®, main fabric face up). Pin through the layers every 6" to 8" to hold together.
- 3. Quilt the layers. Suggestion: Quilt vertical lines ¾" to 1" apart across the piece (figure 1).
- 4. Trim the quilted Body to 8" x 11". Stitch ½" from edge around entire piece to seal edges.



## B. Mark and Stitch Fold Lines

- 1. Position the Body so that it is wider than it is tall with the main fabric side up.
- 2. Mark horizontal lines from side to side 1" down from the top and 1" up from the bottom (figure 2).
- 3. Mark horizontal lines from side to side 3" down from the top and 3" up from the bottom (figure 2).
- 4. Sew along each of the marked lines. **NOTE:** *The finished case will fold more easily along these stitched lines, adding definition to its shape.*



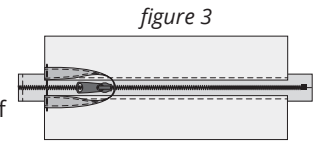
## C. Assemble Case

- 1. Attach Border
  - a. Mark a horizontal line from side to side 1¾" down from the top.
  - b. With right sides out, fold the 2¼" x 11" Border (coordinating fabric) in half to 1½" x 11"; pin every 3" to 4" along raw edges to hold together.
  - c. With fold of fabric toward top of Body, align raw edge of Border along line marked 1¾" down from the top. Sew across long raw edge.
  - d. Press seam to set; fold Border down; press. Stitching ½" from the edge, sew Border to Body. Begin stitching down right side; continue by stitching across bottom and up left side. Finish by stitching across top, sewing ½" from seam line.
- 2. Attach Zipper
  - a. With right sides together and zipper opening on left, position the closed 14" (or longer) handbag zipper along the long top edge of the Body, allowing the zipper to extend beyond the fabric on each end and about ½" beyond the fabric on the long edge.
  - b. Attach the zipper to the Body, sewing a generous ¼" from the long edge of the zipper.

- c. Finger-press zipper tape to lining side of Body and sew along very edge of zipper tape, flattening tape as you go. This encloses the raw edges and produces a line of topstitching on the outside of the Body.
- d. In the same manner, match the other side of the zipper to the other edge of the Body and stitch together, being careful to align the sides of the Body so that they are even on top and bottom.
- e. Open zipper, flatten zipper tape against inside of Body, and sew along very edge of zipper tape, enclosing raw edges. Leave Body turned right side out..

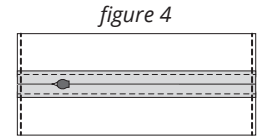
## 3. Make and Attach Handle

- a. With right sides out, fold the 3" x 6½" Handle (coordinating fabric) in half to 1½" x 6½"; press to mark center. Bring raw edges to center fold; press. Fold in half again to make a ¾" x 6½" piece. Topstitch about ⅛" from edge all around.
- b. On top (open) end of zipper, position ends of Handle with its raw edges even with the raw edges of Body and its inner long edges along the inside edge of the quilted fabric at each side. Being careful to sew through only the top layer of the Body, stitch the Handle in place (figure 3).



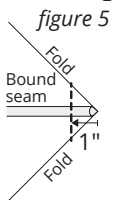
## 4. Sew Sides and Bind **TIP:** *Wonder Clips work well to hold the layers together.*

- a. With right sides together, fold Body so that zipper is aligned in center of front. Clip/pin each side together, aligning raw edges on each side. Move zipper slide to inside and sew each side together. Trim ends of zipper even with sides of Body (figure 4).
- b. With right sides out, fold each 2¼" x 5" Binding (coordinating fabric) in half to 1½" x 5". On zipper side of seams, align raw edge of binding with raw edge of sides of case, allowing excess to extend evenly on each end. Fold excess binding to back on each end; sew through all layers along length of binding. Turn binding to other side, pulling out corners. Fold to neatly enclose raw edges of seam; stitch along folded edge of binding.



## 5. Make Boxed Bottom and Bind

- a. Fold one corner to form a triangle, with the bound side seam running down the center. Sew a straight line across the triangle about 1" from the tip (figure 5). Repeat on each corner. Turn the Body right side out and push out all corners.



## 6. Make and Attach Zipper Pull

- a. With right side out, fold the 1" x 12" Zipper Pull (coordinating fabric) in quarters to ¼" x 12". **TIP:** *A ½" bias tape maker makes this easy. Sew through layers to secure.*
- b. Trim ends to a point and pull through hole in zipper slide. Bring ends together and pull through loop at fold of zipper pull. Pull tight to the zipper slide. If desired, tie another knot at the end of the pull. Trim excess.

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