





## My Sewing Bag is a printed panel to make a storage and organizing sewing case featuring customizable compartments, an adjustable strap, a handy outside storage pocket, and a dividing tray insert to keep your sewing supplies and accessories neatly organized.

All pieces printed on this panel include a 1cm seam allowance. No additional seam allowance is required. My Sewing Bag can be sewn using a conventional household sewing machine, however, you may choose to finish your seams for additional durability. This can be done using either an overedge zigzag stitch on your conventional machine or a four-thread overedge stitch on a serger. We recommend pressing all cut pieces before sewing. Once stitched, many seams can be pressed open for a nicer finish and easier construction.



In addition to the My Sewing Bag fabric panel, you will require the following notions:

3 m	of 20 mm wide hook-and-loop tape
105 cm	endless zipper
2x	sliders
70 cm	heavyweight fusible interlining Vlieseline S133
130 cm	fusible foam interfacing stabiliser Vlieseline Style-Vil Fix
1x	40 mm adjusting buckle
2x	40 mm D-rings
2x	40 mm push gate snap hooks/swivel lobster claw clasps
	Polyester sewing thread

Other items required: Sewing machine, marking chalk or pen, sewing shears, straight pins or sewing clips, steam iron, ruler.

### STEP 1

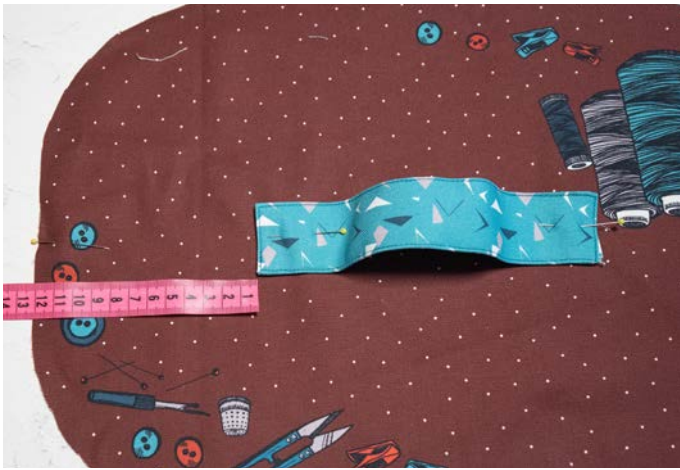
First, make the lid. To make this part, the pieces "lid outer", "lid lining", "pocket lid", "strip for clips", "handle" and the two "hinge" pieces are required. At this time, cut the stabilizing foam Style-Vil Fix piece using the „cover outer“ or „cover lining“ piece as a pattern. Trim away 1 cm all the way around the cut stabilizing foam piece.

Next, make the handle. Fold in the short edges by 1 cm toward the fabric wrong side and press. Fold this piece twice lengthwise toward the center and press. Edge stitch all the way around the carrying handle approx. 3 mm from the edge.



**STEP 2**

At this juncture, the handle is positioned and sewn on. Mark the centers of the right and left edges on the "outer cover" piece for easier placement of the handle. Pin the handle 12 cm from the outer edge in the center of the lid.

**STEP 3**

Sew each end of the carrying handle onto the lid outer using X boxes. The outer part of the lid is now complete and it is time to make the lid lining piece.

**STEP 4**

The lid pocket piece is folded in half lengthwise. Edge stitch the upper edge of the pocket. Place the lid pocket on top of the lid lining piece as shown in the illustration on the left. You may sew a magnetic fastener or bits of hook-and-loop tape onto the pocket piece (optional). If you choose to add a fastener, reinforce the fabric with bits of fusible interfacing before setting the fastener. Baste stitch the pocket piece to the lining piece along the seam allowance.

**STEP 5**

The band for holding sewing clips is folded lengthwise twice in toward the center, pressed and edge stitched down each long edge.

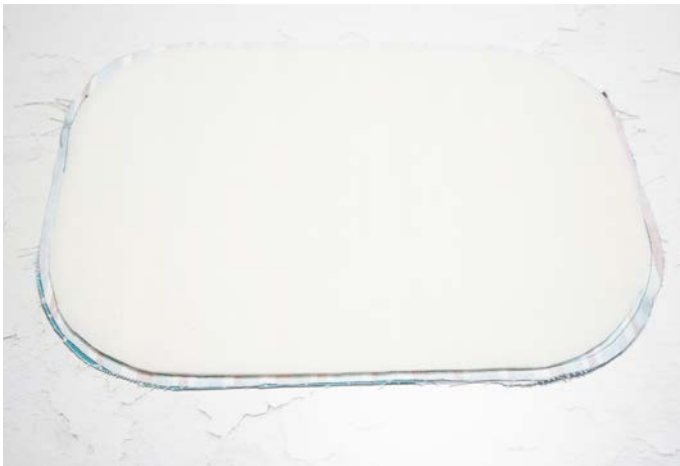


**STEP 6**

Pin the clip band to the lining piece and baste stitch to the lining piece within the seam allowance.

**STEP 7**

Adhere Style-Vil Fix to the wrong side of the lid outer piece or the lid lining piece according to the manufacturer's instructions.

**STEP 8**

Add two sliders onto the length of the zipper. Lay the two back hinge pieces fabric right sides against the front and back of the zipper and secure with pins..

**STEP 9**

Stitch the hinge pieces to one end of the zipper with a 1 cm seam allowance.



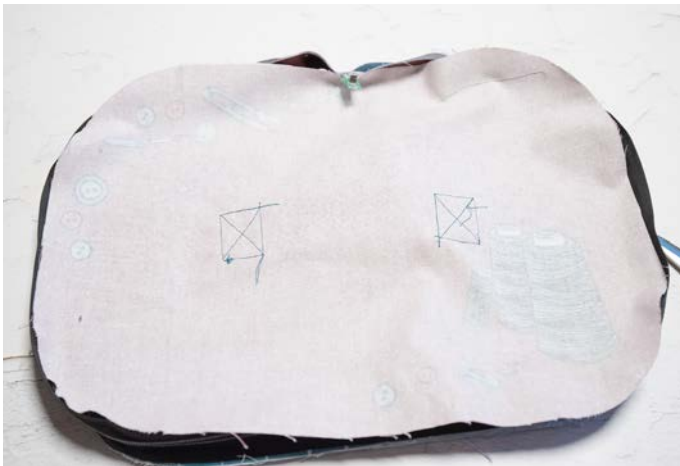


## STEP 10



Repeat the step above with the opposite end of the zipper.  
You will have now formed a ring from the zipper and the two hinge pieces.

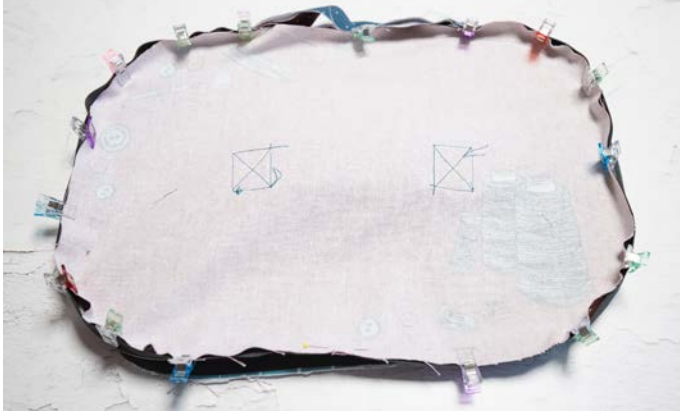
## STEP 11



Mark the centers of the front and back side of the top lid piece. Align the center of the hinge piece to the center of the back of the top lid piece and secure the zipper piece to the lid top piece with pins or clips right sides together.



## STEP 12



Replace your conventional presser foot with a zipper foot. Stitch the zipper+hinge piece to the top lid piece. For best results, stitch slowly, especially around the curves.

As you approach the zipper sliders, lower the needle into the fabric and raise the presser foot. Slide the slider out of the way from under the presser foot. Once the slider is cleared, lower the presser foot and continue stitching.

Once the zipper is securely attached, notch or trim the zipper tape and the fabric within the seam allowance along the curves for a smooth turn (**important: do not cut into the stitching line!**). Your lid piece should now look like the illustration on the left. Open the zipper completely. Place the lid lining piece right sides together onto the top lid piece fabric right sides together. The zipper will be sandwiched between the two layers of fabric. The opposite zipper tape will lie loose.



**STEP 13**

Stitch the lid lining piece to the lid top piece, catching the one zipper tape in the stitching line. Leave a small opening in your stitching line for turning. Stitch slowly, again sliding the sliders out of the way with the needle down and presser foot up as described above. Clip or trim the lid lining fabric along the curves. Turn your work right side out through the turning opening.

**STEP 14**

The lid now looks like this. The lid lining and top lid piece are both sewn to the same zipper tape. Press your work and be careful not to melt the zipper. Press the edges of the turning opening toward the inside and stitch closed with a straight stitch.

Next, sew the body of the bag.





## STEP 15



For this next step, you will need the outer bag piece and the two loop strap pieces.

Press the loop pieces along the long edges 1 cm inwards toward the fabric wrong side, and then once again down the center. Edge stitch these pieces and slide on the D-rings. Stitch the two sides of the loops together 1-2 cm below the D-ring to secure.

## STEP 16



Fold the "outside pocket" piece right sides together and turn at the short edges. Edge stitch the top edge. Place the pocket on the outside of the case wall piece and stitch securely in place.

Cut pieces fusible foam interfacing Style-Vil Fix using the bag outer wall and the bag bottom piece as pattern pieces. Trim 1 cm from all edges of the foam interfacing pieces. Fuse these pieces to their corresponding fabric pieces according to the manufacturer's instructions.



**STEP 17**

Stitch the two short ends of the bag wall piece together to form a ring. Stitch the bag bottom outer piece to this ring of material right sides together. Notch or trim the seam allowance along the curves for a smooth turn.

**STEP 18**

Turn the bag outer right side out and mark the center of each side. Baste stitch the loops with the D-rings at the seam allowance right sides together.





## STEP 19



Now the bag lining is made. Draw two lines on the bag wall lining piece. Draw the first line 3 cm from the bottom edge and the second line 10 cm from the bottom edge. Stitch a strip of hook tape along each of these lines. Trim the tape 2 cm shorter, so that it does not extend into the seam allowance.

Sew the case body lining as described in step 17, omitting the fusible foam interfacing. Stitch the short sides of the bag wall lining together to form a ring. Stitch this ring to the lining bottom right sides together. Clip or trim the seam allowance along the curves. **Leave a large opening for turning.**



## STEP 20



Insert the lid piece right sides together into the bag outer (in other words, the lid outer faces inwards toward the body of the bag). Keep the zipper slightly open. Align the center back of the lid with the center of the back of the bag. Stitch the lid to the case piece. Turn your work right side out through the open zipper.

## STEP 21

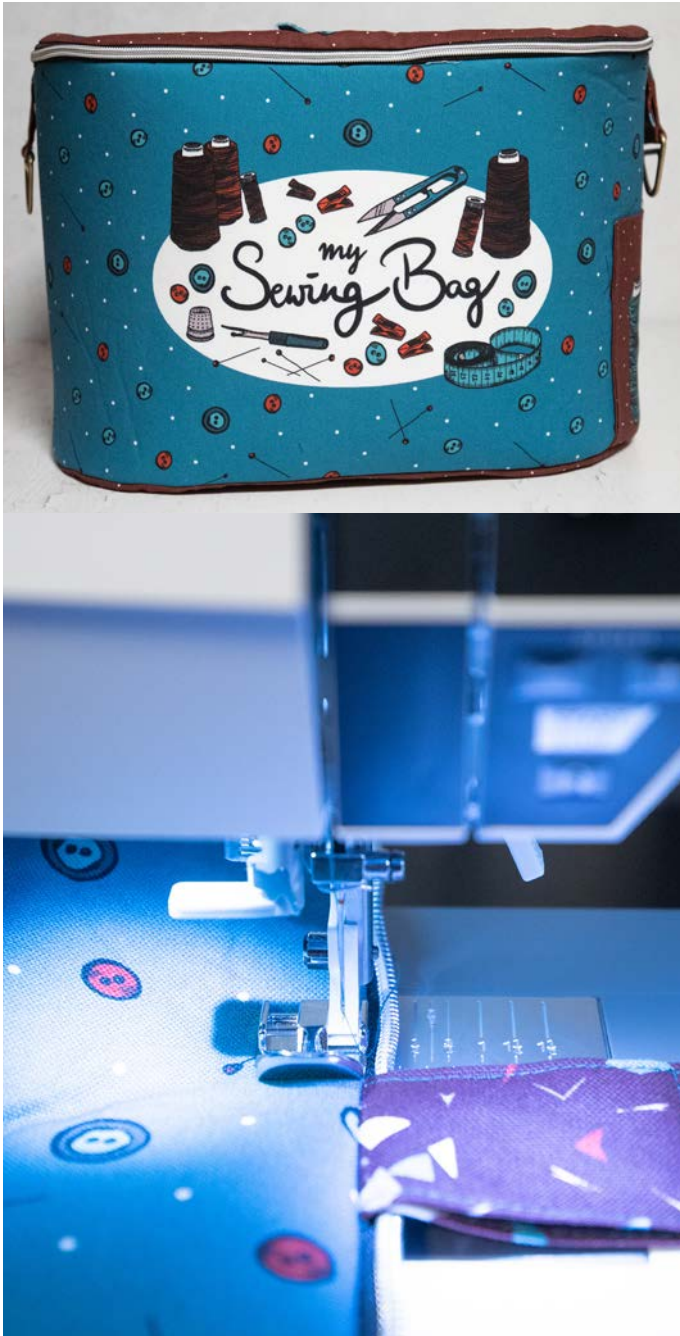


Place the bag body lining into the bag outer right fabric sides together. Align the centers of the backs of each part. Secure the upper edge of the lining to the unsewn zipper tape with pins. Leave an opening for turning.



**STEP 22**

Your sewing case is almost complete. You may topstitch the zipper so that the foam interfacing lays more neatly. The photo illustration below shows how best to position your bag under the needle.





**STEP 23.**

Sew the carrying strap: Fold the two long edges toward the center and press. Fold this piece in half lengthwise again and press. Edge stitch down each long side.

**STEP 24**

Thread the adjustable buckle and push gate snap hooks/swivel lobster claw clasps onto the strap as shown in the photo illustration. Finish the ends of the strap with an overedge zigzag stitch and secure in place. The arrows show where the straps are to be sewn.



**STEP 25**

Sew the storage dividers. Cut 3 rectangles of heavyweight fusible interlining Vlieseline S133 as follows:

2 x 20 cm x 11 cm

1 x 30 cm x 11 cm

**STEP 26**

Fold the divider pieces in half and press. Place the interfacing pieces on the divider pieces along the pressed fold and leave 2 cm on either side. Fuse the interfacing to the divider pieces according to the manufacturer's instructions.

**STEP 27**

Stitch the pieces along the shorter edges and turn.

**STEP 28**

Turn the edges of the open end toward the inside and press. Edge stitch closed.



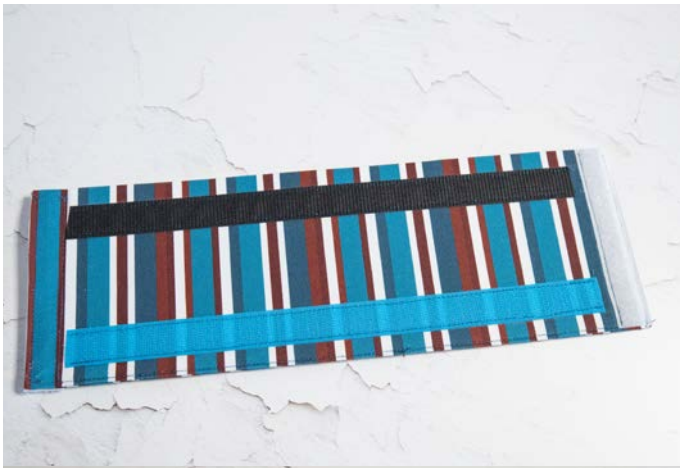


**STEP 29**

Draw two lines on the long piece at the top and bottom of the front and back respectively: Each 1 cm from the long edge. Here, two strips of hook tape of 30 cm length are sewn on the front and two strips on the back.

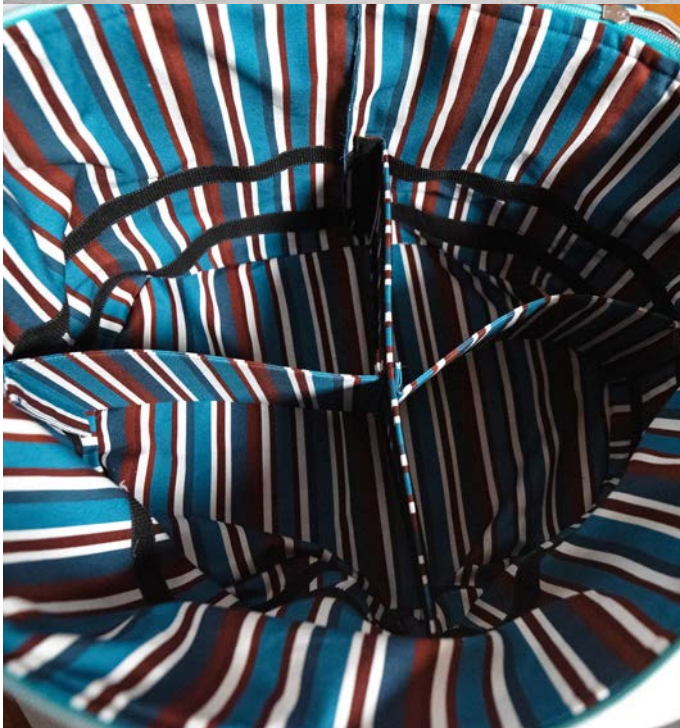
The areas without interlining (on the narrow sides) remain free for the moment, loop tape will be sewn on here in the next step.

In the picture you can already see the loop tape on the right side, which will be sewn on in the next step.

**STEP 30**

Cut loop tape for each of the two short ends of the dividers about 10 cm long. Stitch a piece of loop tape to the left side of one side and to the right side of the reverse. Stitch the tape only to where there is no stiffening interfacing underneath. Refer to the photo illustration on the left: On the right side the loop band is only on the reverse, on the left it is only on the top.

Repeat with the remaining two divider pieces. Insert the adjustable divider pieces into the bag.



**STEP 31**

Finally, the horizontal dividing tray will be sewn. Cut a piece of fusible interlining Vlieseline S133 using the tray piece as a pattern. Trim 1 cm all around from the interfacing piece.

Stitch the two divider tray pieces right sides together. Leave one side open for inserting the interfacing. Notch or trim the seam allowance along the curves for a smooth turn. Turn your work right side out and press. Insert the structuring interfacing. Adhere the fusible interfacing to this piece according to the manufacturer's instructions. Fold the edges of the opening toward the inside and press. Edge stitch all the way around this piece.

Assemble the pieces of your bag.

**Congratulations, your bag is complete!**

