

Reusable Grocery Bag



Materials

- One Yard of 45" wide durable fabric such as rip stop nylon, canvas or denim
- Thread
- One package of pre-made "Wright's Maxi Piping". This piping helps the bag stand on its own.
- Optional – 4 feet of 1" wide webbing (or sew handles as provided in the instructions)

Cutting

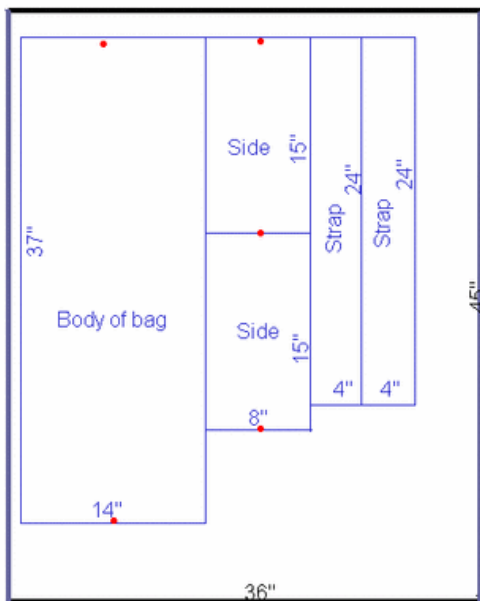
- Cut one 37" by 14" piece
- Cut two 15" by 8" pieces
- Cut two 24" by 4" pieces for the straps or two 24" pieces of 1" wide webbing.

Marking

- Mark the centers of the 14" edges on the body of the bag.
- Mark the centers of the 8" edges of the side pieces.

Sewing

- Sew piping to the 37" edges of the body of the bag.
- Placing right sides together, matching the center markings of the body of the bag and the sides of the bag.
- Pin the body of the bag to the sides of the bag, clipping the body of the bag at the corner of the side of the bag.
- Sew the body of the bag to the sides of the bag, using the piping stitching as a seam guide.
- Apply a seam finish to enclose the raw edges.
- Press the seams.
- Press under 1/2" on the top edge.
- Measure and press under 1" to enclose the pressed under edge.
- Stitch the hem in place sewing as close to the turned under edge as possible.
- Press the straps in half length-wise.
- Bring the raw edges in to meet the center fold line.
- Press.
- Sew the folded edges and 1/4" in from the folded edge.
- Sew a seam finish on the ends of the straps to enclose the raw edge.
- Measure in 3" from the side seam on the body of the bag.
- Pin the strap in place, aligning the seam finished edge of the strap with the bottom of the hem and the un-sewn edge of the strap with the 3" marking.
- Sew a square with an X through it to securely hold the strap in place.



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