## **Strips for Stripes Bag**

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## Fabric and Cutting Requirements:

Color A - (5) 2 ½" x 42" strips, (1) 5½" x 11½" bag bottom (Jelly rolls strips may be used.)

Color B - (5) 21/2" x 42" strips

(Use different colors or prints for scrappy look.)

Bag back/lining - ¾ yard or 2 fat quarters cut into (2)

12½" x 16½" and (1) 5½" x 11½" (bottom)

Batting - (2) 12½" x 16½"

Binding - (1) 13%" x 42"

Tabs for Handles - (Optional) Cut 8 tab pieces.

## Handles

## **Sewing Instructions:**

- Place batting on wrong side of back and line up edges. Secure with a few pins to prevent the layers from shifting [Diagram 1].
- Cut (2) corner triangles from Color A strip by placing a ruler at a 45 degree angle on each side. Place triangle on upper left corner right side up [Diagram 2].
- Draw a line at a 45 degree angle on batting from stitching line corner of triangle. Line should be 3" in from left edge and 1%" in from bottom right. Draw a 2nd line ¼" above 45 degree line for seam allowance [Diagram 3].
- Place strip over corner piece, right sides together. Inside edge of strip should be placed on the seam allowance line. Make sure that the strip is long enough to cover the outside edge when it is folded down. Stitch using ¼" allowance through all layers [Diagram 3].
- Turn strip down and press [Diagram 4].

- Repeat for strips 2-9 [Diagrams 5 & 6].
- Trim outside strip edges even with back and batting [Diagram 7].
- Place strip diagonally across stripes on seam allowance line [Diagram 8].
- Turn up and press [Diagram 9].
- Repeat for strips 10-14 [Diagram 9].
- Trim edges even with back and batting [Diagram 10].
- Make mirror image for opposite side so the diagonal strips make a chevron on the side seams. Start with the triangle on the upper right side [Diagram 11].
- Layer the back, batting, and top for bag bottom. Quilt with straight lines or as desired.
- Sew back bottom to each side piece [Diagrams12 &13].
- Fold bag in half right sides together and stitch side seams. Zig zag, surge, or bind to finish inside seams [Diagram 13].
- Refold and stitch bottom to sides [Diagram 14].
- Bind top edge of bag.
- Attach bag handles with tabs or sew directly to bag depending on type of handles.





