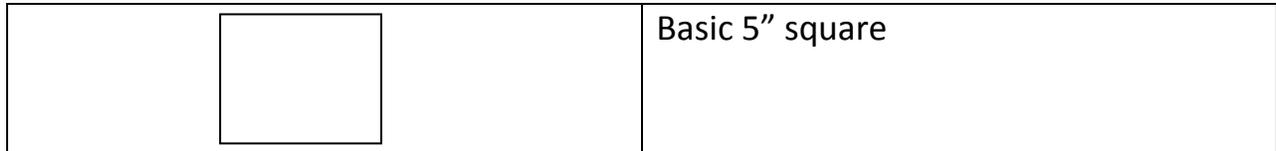


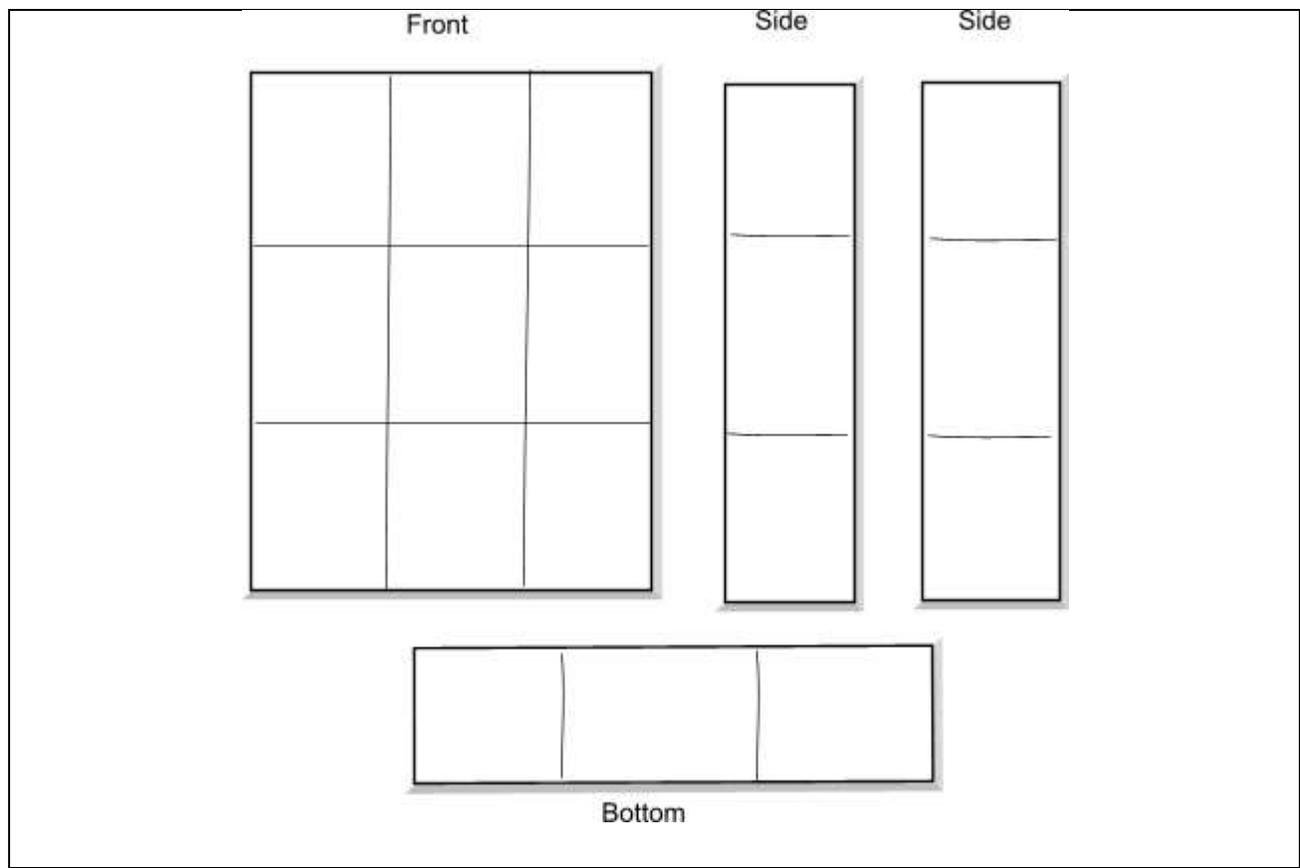
Quilted Reversible Rag Bag Tote

This is a very easy to make quilted “rag bag” tote that is completely reversible – one side is a patchwork style quilted tote and the other side is a “rag bag” design.

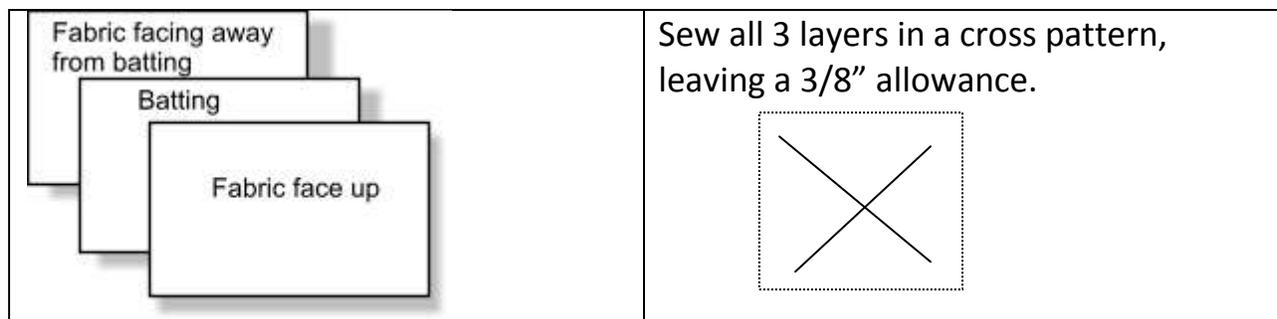
1. Cut 27 squares of mix and match fabric that are 5” square. This is a great opportunity to use some of your stash! These 27 squares are for the outside (rag bag) part of your handbag.



2. Cut 27 squares of 5” fabric for the inside of your tote bag.
3. Batting – Cut 27 squares of batting (I prefer Warm & Natural©) that are 4” square in size.
4. Figure out the design of fabric squares that you want - you will have 9 squares for the front, 9 squares for the back, 3 squares for each side, and 3 squares for the bottom. You will also need to figure out what pattern you prefer for the inside of your bag because this tote is reversible.



5. Layer each one of your squares as follows: 1 layer of fabric facing out, 1 layer of 4" batting, 1 layer of your lining fabric facing out.

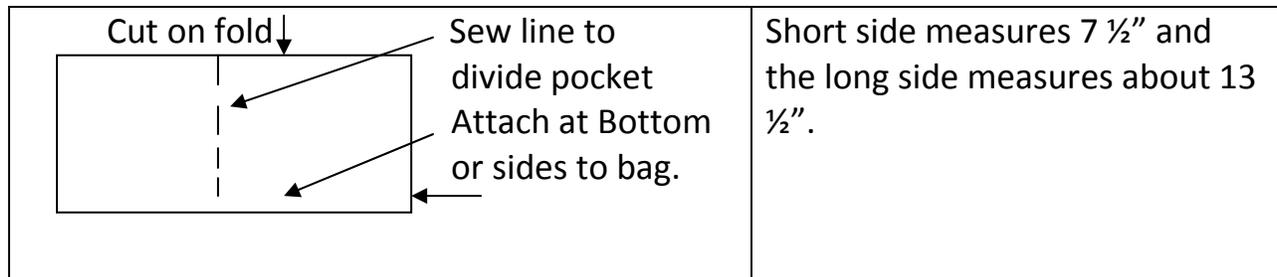


6. Sew your squares together, 3 squares at a time. After sewing your 3 squares, sew your 3 sets of 3 squares together to form the front and then do the same for the back. Leave a 3/8" seam allowance.

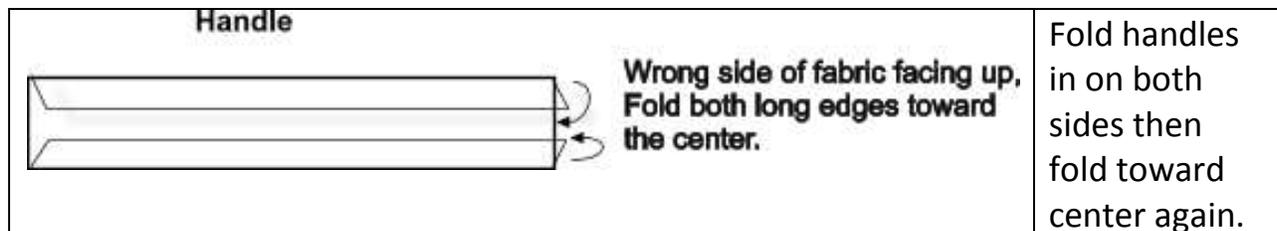


Sew 3 squares at a time

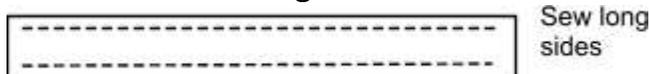
Optional Pocket – If you would like, now is the time to add a pocket. Attach the pocket either on the bottom and sides of the “rag bag” side of your bag or the lining side, whichever you prefer. Leave the top open and sew a seam down the pocket, dividing it into 2 parts.



7. Attach the sides and the bottom of your bag.
8. Attach the back.
9. Cut 2 handles for your bag 6” wide by 25” long.

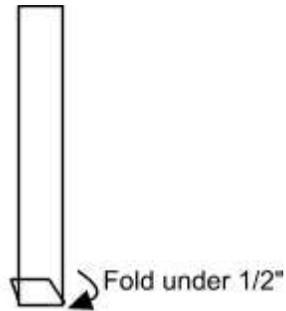


11. Fold the handles toward the center and then fold them again.
12. Sew down each long side as close to the edge as possible.

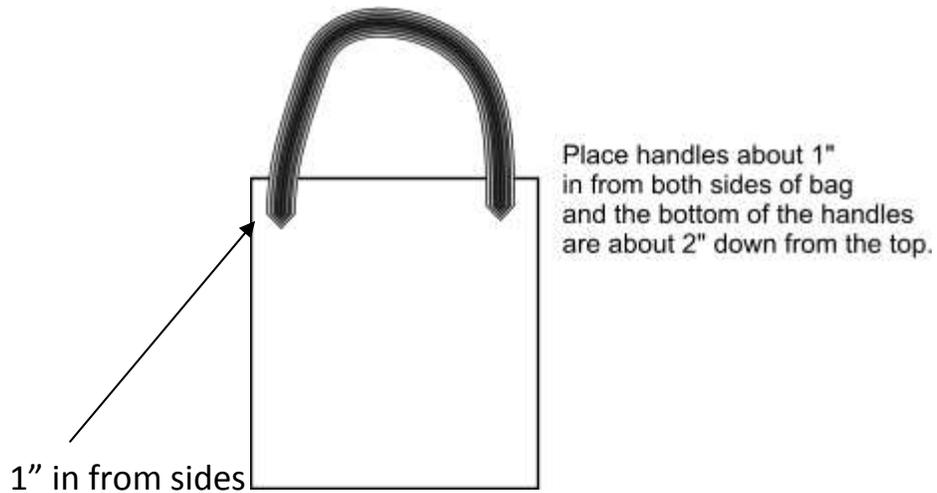


13. Attach a piece of bias trim to the top of your bag measuring 35” long. Use double fold bias tape 7/8” wide. Do you need help with the binding? We have a binding tutorial located at http://henriettashandbags.com/Easy_Binding_Tutorial.pdf

14. Fold under both ends of your 2 handles by about 1/2".



15. Position your handles about 1" in from each side and 2" down from the top.



16. Attach handles in a cross pattern to your handbag.



Sew a cross pattern to secure your handles to your bag.

17. Trim extra threads off your bag.
18. Wash in cold water on gentle cycle.
19. Dry in dryer on low.
20. Trim extra threads again.



Quilted Bag Side



Rag Bag Side (I added a button and loop on this bag)