

Handy Dandy Gadget Bag

This handy foldover bag is a great way to store and transport all those essential gadget for sewing classes and more.

Supply List:

Two – 9" squares of quilting cotton
 One – 9" square of light weight batting
 One - 2 ½" strip of fabric for binding
 One - 1 ½" x 8" strip for button loop
 32" of Steam a Seam 2 ¼" Tape
 One Button
 Six Snack Size Ziploc Bags
 Construction & Decorative Thread
 Optional: Binding Mitre Tool & Fasturn Tube Turning Tool



Instructions:

1. If desired, embroider name or design on one side of one of the 9" squares. Design must be 3" wide or narrower, and should be placed so that it is centred on the right half of your square.
2. Layer batting in between two 9" squares of cotton and quilt as desired. This is a good place to place with some of your decorative stitches such as feather stitches, or you could just channel quilt using a quilting guide at your machine.
3. Trim square to 8" square.
4. Fold 1 ½" x 8" strip right sides together, lengthwise, and stitch with a ¼" seam. I used the lightening stitch (a tiny zigzag stitch) for a stronger seam. Turn it right side out and press flat - I use a Fasturn for easy turning.
5. Fold into a loop and baste to the centre of the left hand side of the square, right sides up as it faces you.
6. Fold the 2 ½" strip in half, lengthwise, wrong sides together and press.
7. Using this strip as binding for the square, bind using your favourite binding method. I like to use the Binding Mitre Tool for easy, perfect mitred corners, and to fuse the binding in place after the first seam with Steam a Seam 2 tape. Stitch with a decorative stitch or feather stitch to hold in place.
8. Take your six Ziploc bags and lay down, alternating the direction that the zip faces. Overlap the folded end of the bags by about ½" in the centre of the stack of bags. Centre on the inside of your quilted square and straight stitch them down in place along the centre line.
18. Sew a button in place under the loop to close and enjoy!

