

Tea Towel Purse

Supplies:

- 2 ea. Tea Towels 20" x 28"
- 1/2 yard fashion fabric for lining
- One Fabulous Button

Cutting:

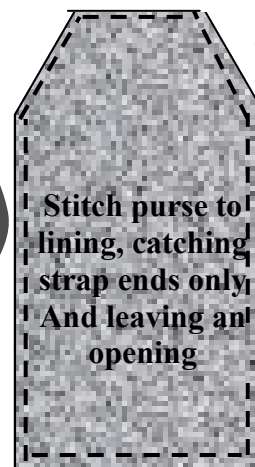
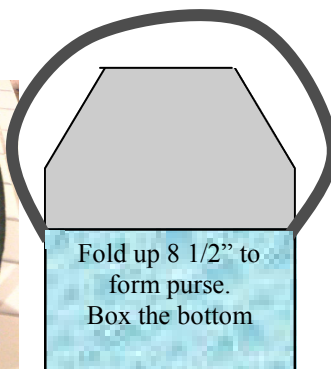
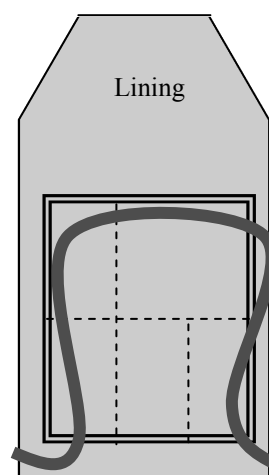
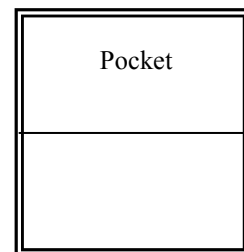
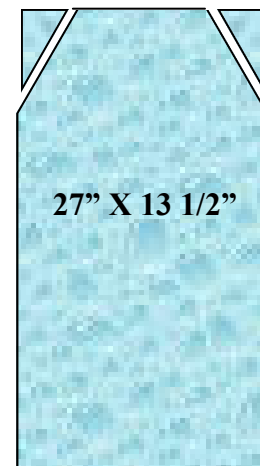
Cut hems off one tea towel only, trimming about 6" off one long edge of towel to make a piece about 27" x 13 1/2"
From trimming, cut two strap pieces each 27" x 2", discarding hem bits.
Cut lining same size (About 27" X 13 1/2").

Cut second towel for pocket:

Two pieces each 7" x 13 1/2" so one long end of each piece has original hem.

Assembly:

1. Using template provided, trim corners from one short edge of purse. Repeat to trim lining in same way.
2. Make straps: Stitch the two strap pieces together along the short edge. Fold RST lengthwise. Stitch along long edge. Turn. Set aside.
3. Hem short edges of pocket pieces. Seam RST at unhemmed long edge.
4. Place pocket piece at the untrimmed short edge, 1 1/2" down and centered. Stitch to lining at sides. Also stitch pocket to lining along pockets center seam. Now divide into pockets of desired sizes (think eyeglasses, phone and/or camera, etc.)
5. Pin straps in place at corners of the untrimmed short sides of purse.
6. Layer RST the purse and lining. Stitch all around leaving an opening on one side as shown, being careful to keep the strap inside the sandwich and to not catch the strap in the seam. Reinforce at straps. Clip corners, turn and press.
7. Fold bottom edge of purse RST up about 8 1/2". Stitch along sides to form purse and being sure to catch opening. Box the bottom by laying side seam against bottom center and stitching about 1 1/2" in on resulting triangle. Turn right side out.
8. Turn and press. Mark center of front flap. Attach decorative button to bottom center of front flap to complete.



**RST =
Right Sides
Together**