**Ecru Hearts Handbag**

**FABRIC REQUIREMENTS**

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<td>Fabric A</td>
<td>RCL-607</td>
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<td>Fabric B</td>
<td>PE-431</td>
<td>5/8 yd.</td>
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<td>Fabric C</td>
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**Other Materials**

- 80" long rope that's 1 1/2" thick
- Interfacing Fleece - TP971F
- All Purpose Glue

**CUTTING DIRECTIONS**

¼" seam allowances are included. Cut out purse pattern, line up notches and tape. Cut pattern on fold or make a full purse pattern and then you don't have to cut on the fold.

**ASSEMBLING THE HANDBAG**

Sew all rights sides together with ¼" seam allowance. Press.

- Take both purse pattern pieces from Fabric A and sew right sides together sewing from one side to the other side. (Diagram 1)
• Take both pattern pieces from Fabric B and iron interfacing fleece pieces to the wrong side of the fabric. These pieces are the lining of the bag.

• Repeat same process in Diagram 1 but leave a 4” unsewn portion at the bottom of the bag. (Diagram 2)

Casing:

• Take 2 1/2” x 11” strips from Fabric B on each short end fold 1/2” and press. Fold another 1/2” and press. Topstitch as close to the edge as possible to secure the raw edges. (Diagram 3a)

• Repeat this same process for the 2 1/2” x 19 1/2” strip from Fabric B.

• Next fold all strips in half lengthwise and press. (Diagram 3b)

• Pin 2 1/2” x 19 1/2” strip from Fabric B to the left side, top of the bag. Starting from one point of the curve to the other end. Follow Diagram 4.

• Secure casing strips to front of bag by sew at 1/4”.

• Take lining piece with wrong side of the fabric out. Next take the exterior of the bag with right side of the fabric out.

• Take the exterior of the bag and tuck inside the lining.

• Pin all the way around the top of the bag making sure the casing is facing down the side front of the bag. (Diagram 6)

• Sew 1/4” all the way around the bag making sure the casing lays flat.

• Pull the right side of the bag through the unsewn portion you left in the lining.

• Hand stitch unsewn portion closed.

• Press seams flat.
Assembling the Straps:

- The last step is to pull the rope through the casing.
- Take a safety pin and secure it to the end of one side of the rope.
- Insert rope though one side of the bag and inch your way though the casing until you reach the end where you started.
- You can use more or less rope to make your strap the desired length.
- At the ends of the rope tie a single knot.
- If desired take two 1/2" x 6" strips from Fabric C. Add glue to one end of the strip and apply to both ends of the rope starting about 3 1/2" up from the end.
- Wrap around the rope until you run out of fabric and secure end of strip with glue and apply to the rope.
Center Front → Cut on Fold

Line up notches

Bottom Bag

Purse Template