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BACK PACK

Featuring
GEOMETRIC Bliss
Collection by JENI BAKER

Fabric A
GBL-1436
1/2 yd.

Fabric B
GBL-1438
3/8 yd.

Fabric C
PE-433
1/2 yd.

Fabric D
PE-413
1/4 yd.

FABRIC REQUIREMENTS

CUTTING DIRECTIONS

Two (2) 15” x 17” rectangles from Fabric A, C and Medium Weight Fusible

Two (2) 1” x 1 1/2” rectangle from Fabric A

Two (2) 15” x 11” rectangles from Fabric B

One (1) 15” x 11” rectangle from Medium Weight Fusible

Two (2) 21 1/2” x 4” strips from Fabric D and Medium Weight Fusible

One (1) 8” x 3” strip from Fabric D and Medium Weight Fusible

MATERIALS NEEDED

12” White All Purpose Zipper Medium Weight Fusible
**BAG CONSTRUCTION**

Sew all rights sides together with ¼” seam allowance. Press open.

- Iron both 15” x 17” rectangles from Medium Weight Fusible to both 15” x 17” rectangles from Fabric C.
- Take all 15” x 17” pieces from Fabric A and C and at the bottom of each rectangle mark across 1 1/2” and mark up 1 1/2” from the long side of the rectangle.
- Draw a line from one measurement to the other. Cut on line. (Diagram 1)

- Iron 15” x 11” rectangle from Medium Weight Fusible to one of the 15” x 11” rectangle from Fabric B.
- Iron both 21 1/2” x 4” strips from Medium Weight Fusible to both 21 1/2” x 4” strips from Fabric D.
- Take both 15” x 11” rectangles from Fabric B, measure up 3 1/2” and mark on each side of the rectangle. From this point curve out your corners turning your rectangle into a rounded flap. Cut off excess fabric.

![Diagram 1](image1)

- Take both 15” x 11” rectangles and sew with right sides together all the way around the curve leaving the top unsewn
- Flip right side out and press. Top stitch the curve of the flap.

![Diagram 2](image2)

![Diagram 3](image3)
• Take one 27 1/2" x 4" strip from Fabric D and fold right sides together lengthwise and sew. (Diagram 4a)
• Flip strap through with a safety pin. (Diagram 4c)
• Topstitch the long side of both straps as close to the edge as possible.
• Repeat steps in Diagram 4a-4b to create other strap.

To create the hanging loop on the bag, take an 8" x 3" strip from Fabric D and follow the same steps for making the straps.
• Fold your loop following diagram 4 and press.

• Sew each strap you made in Diagram 3a-3b to each end of the flap you made in Diagram 2.
• Next sew each end of the loop strap to the top of the flap.
• Sew one end 5 1/2" in from the side of the flap and sew the other end of the loop strap 5 1/2" in from the other side of the flap. (Diagram 7)

• Lay that piece down with straps facing you. Place a 15" x 17" rectangle from Fabric A on top with right sides together and sew all pieces together. (Diagram 8)

• Take your 12" zipper and sew 1" x 1 1/2" rectangles from Fabric A to both ends of the zipper.
• Press rectangles away from zipper. (Diagram 6)
• Take a 15” x 17” rectangle from Fabric C and place the zipper on top.
• Next place your flap, straps and 15” x 17” rectangle from Fabric A on top with right sides together.
• Pin pieces together.
• Use a zipper foot to sew as close to the zipper teeth as you can.
• Repeat the same steps for the other side of zipper using 15” x 17” rectangles from Fabric A and C.
• Topstitch lining to zipper.

• Unzip zipper, Take the two fronts of the bag and pin right sides together.
• Take the lining pieces and pin right sides together.
• Make sure end of straps is sandwiched inbetween the two fronts of the bag at each end of the bag.

• Sew all the way around bag leaving a 4” unsewn portion in the bottom of the lining of the bag.
• Pull bag through the whole. Hand stitch hole closed.
NOTE: While all possible care has been taken to ensure the accuracy of this pattern, we are not responsible for printing errors or the way in which individual work varies.

Please read instructions carefully before starting the construction of this quilt. If desired, wash and iron your fabrics before starting to cut.

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