

# RUFFLE STRAPPY POCKET TOTE

30CM X 33CM | 12" X 13"



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FABRICS

# FABRIC REQUIREMENTS

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Fabric SKU	Fabric SKU	Metric	Inches
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### TO MAKE TOTE



036375476C 40CM WOF for outer bag 15 ¾"



036375478B 75CM WOF for lining, straps and ruffles 29 ½"



75cm x 90cm interfacing

# CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS

From the outer fabric cut:

- 2 13" x 14" (33cm x 35.5cm) pieces for front and back of bag
- 2 5" x 14" (11.5cm x 35.5cm) rectangles for pockets

From the pink fabric cut:

- 2 13" x 14" (33cm x 35.5cm) pieces for lining
- 4 3 ½" width strips down the length of fabric
- 1 6" x 12" rectangle for internal pocket (optional)

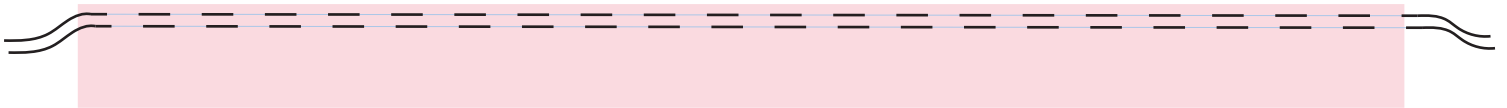
# PATTERN INSTRUCTIONS

*Use a ¼" seam allowance throughout, unless otherwise stated.*

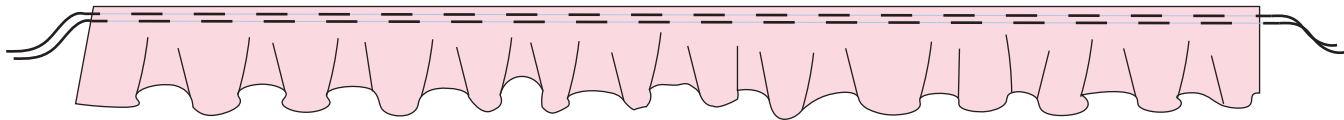
## **MAKE THE RUFFLES AND STRAPS - make 2 of each**

Take 2 fabric strips and fold in half lengthways with right sides together. Sew each short end, then turn right sides out and press the sewn ends, pushing out the corners.

Sew 2 rows of basting stitch along the raw edge using longest stitch on your machine and leave threads either end for gathering.



Pull bobbin threads to gather fabric until it is approx 14" long.



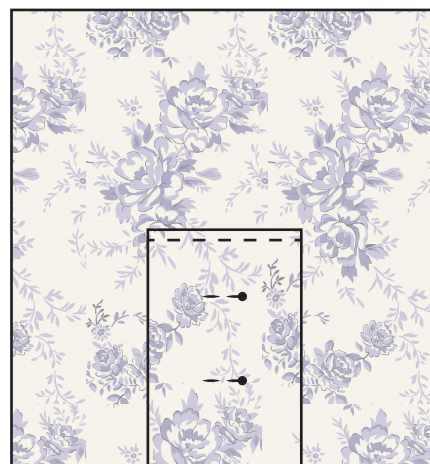
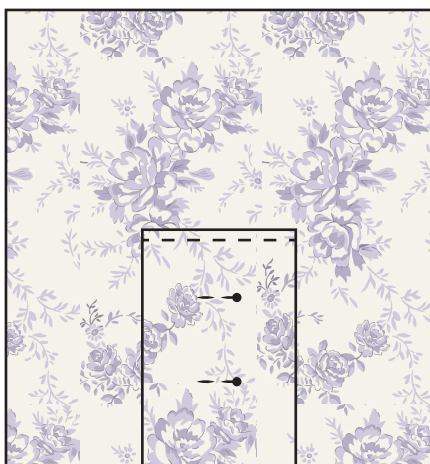
Next take your remaining strips for the bag straps, fold in half lengthways with right sides together. Add interfacing to one side. Sew along the edges leaving short ends open. Turn right side out and press. Top stitch along the long edges.

## **MAKE THE POCKETS AND STABILISE**

Take the two outer pocket pieces and add interfacing to one half of the length if you wish. Fold in half lengthways with wrong sides together and press. Topstitch along the folded edge. Press.

Take your outer bag pieces and add interfacing to the reverse sides. Quilt your bag in your preferred way (optional) and trim excess wadding.

Find the middle of your your front and back bag pieces and place the centre of your pocket to line up in the middle of the bag, matching raw edges along the bottom of the bag. Pin in place.



# PATTERN INSTRUCTIONS

Next, for the front of bag only, take both ruffles and one long strap and place strap pieces  $\frac{3}{8}$  of an inch over the raw edges of the pocket piece on either side, looping the strap over the top of the bag and down the other side, matching raw edges to the bottom of the outer bag piece, as shown in the diagram. Pin in place along inner edges.

Next take your ruffle pieces and tuck long raw edge approx  $\frac{3}{8}$  of an inch under the outer side of each strap and pin. Make sure the top edges line up with the top edge of the bag piece. Ruffles can hang over the bottom edge of the bag and can be trimmed once sewn in place.



Check your spacing to make sure your straps and ruffles are the same distance from the sides of the bag.

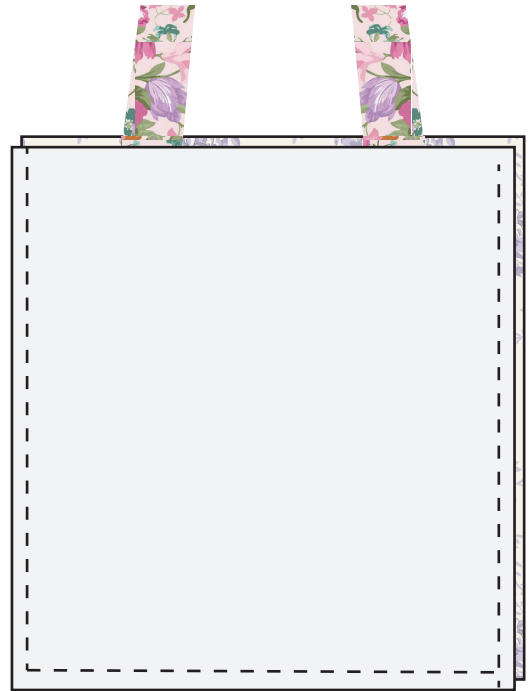
Sew the straps in place along the topstitching each side, leaving the top  $\frac{3}{4}$ " unsewn.

# PATTERN INSTRUCTIONS

In the same way, repeat the process to secure your back pocket and strap, without the ruffles, leaving a 3/4" gap unsewn at the top.



Place your outer bag pieces right sides together and stitch around the base and sides, leaving the top open. Trim off any excess ruffles.



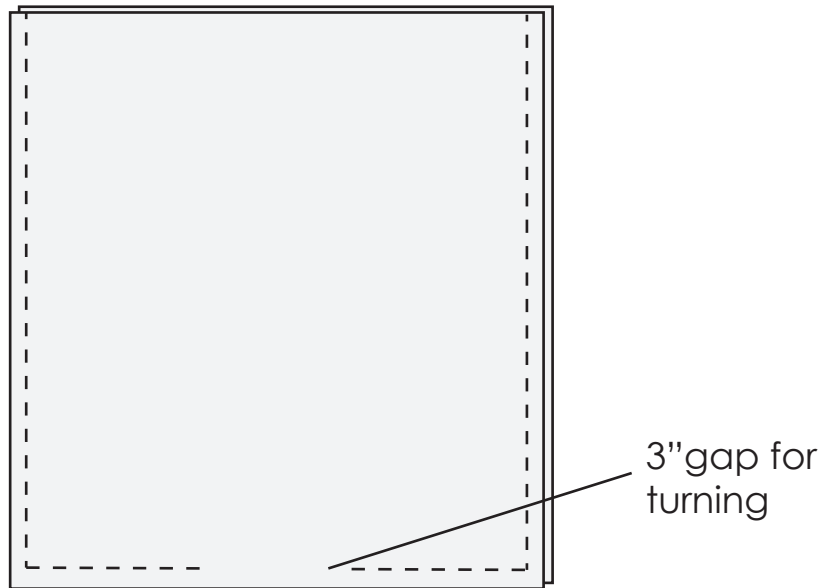
## OPTIONAL POCKETS FOR LINING.

Take the pocket lining piece, fold in half lengthways with right sides together. Sew around the edges and base leaving the top raw edge open. Turn right side out and fold in the raw edge and sew to close the top.

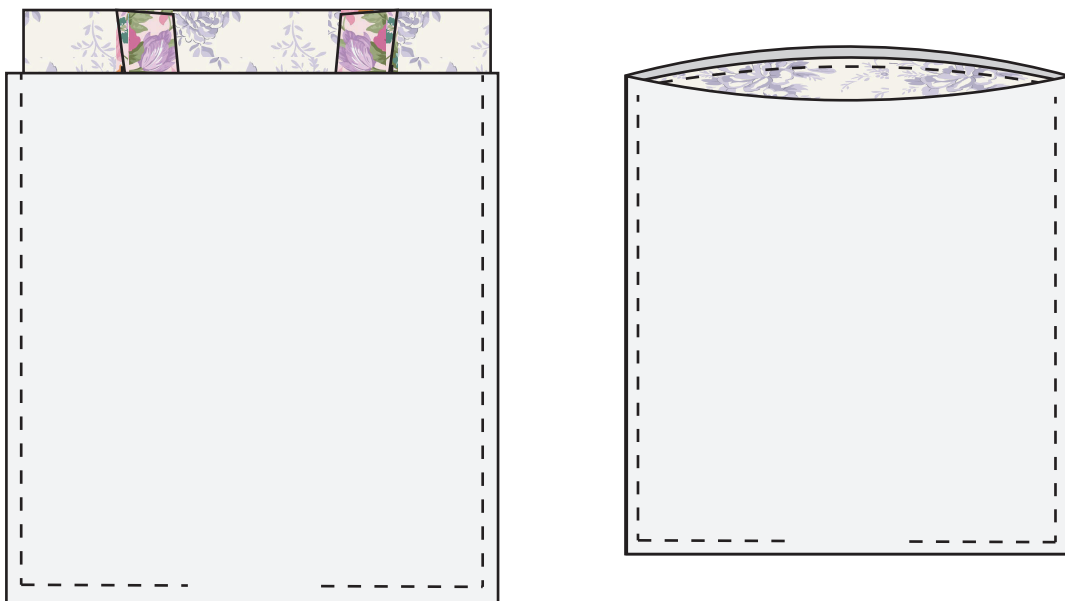
Take your bag lining pieces and fold in half and press lightly to find the centre line. Pin your pocket piece to the centre of one lining piece and sew in place following the sewn line on the pocket, leaving the top open. Press.

# PATTERN INSTRUCTIONS

Place your lining pieces right sides together and sew around the sides and base leaving a gap of approx 3" unsewn for turning.



Place the outside of the bag inside the lining, right sides together, matching side seams. Make sure your straps are folded down inside between the layers. Pin and sew with a 1/2" seam allowance around the top edge of the bag to close. Trim off the excess seam allowance.



# PATTERN INSTRUCTIONS

Turn bag right sides out through the opening left in the lining then sew the gap closed. Press your bag then topstitch around the top of the bag.

Check your straps and ruffles and finish any unsewn seams if required.



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