

ZIPPERED PENCIL POUCH | SEWING



Technique:	Exposed zipper installation
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Skill Level:	Beginner/Intermediate
Crafting time:	An hour

Add some functional fashion to your notebook with this zipper pouch using a Coats Fashion zipper in a mini-polka dot print.

Approximate finished dimensions: 18½" wide x 10½" long

Supplies:

- (1) Coats 7" Fashion Zipper
- Coats Dual Duty XP Thread
- Black Fabric ¼ yd (.23m)*
- White print ⅛ yd (.46m)*
- Purple print ⅓ yd (12m)*
- Interfacing , medium weight ⅓ yard

* or a fat quarter

Additional Requirements:

- Sewing machine
- Zipper foot
- Basic sewing supplies
- Iron and pressing surface

Note:

Use 1/2" seam allowance unless otherwise noted.

CUTTING:

From Solid Fabric and interfacing:

Front - Cut (1) 6 5/8" x 11 1/2"

Cut (2) 4 5/8" x 2 1/2"

From one Contrasting print and interfacing:

Left front trim - Cut (1) 2 1/2" x 11 1/2"

From second Contrasting print and interfacing:

Right trim and back - Cut (1) 10 1/8" x 11 1/2"

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Fuse interfacing to the wrong side of all fabrics following manufacturer's instructions.
2. Fold 4 5/8" x 2 1/2" front pieces in half so that the pieces measure 2 7/16" x 2 1/2". Edgestitch the folded edges that will be above top zipper stops and below bottom zipper stop.
3. Using a zipper foot, center and place edgestitched piece over bottom stop of zipper and baste onto zipper tape 1/8" away from edge of zipper tape on each side of zipper.
4. Center and place second edgestitched piece above topstops of zipper and baste onto zipper tape 1/8" away from edge of zipper tape on each side of zipper.
5. Press under 1/2" on one 11 1/2" side of the large solid piece of fabric and pin to the left side of the zipper tape 1/4" away from zipper teeth and continuing at end onto the small pieces of fabric. Using a zipper foot edgestitch down the front.
6. Press under 1/2" on one 11 1/2" side of the contrasting fabric and pin to the right side of the zipper tape 1/4" away from zipper teeth continuing at each end onto the small pieces of fabric. Edgestitch down the side/back piece of contrasting fabric.
7. Open zipper. Switch back to a regular sewing foot. Pin left piece out of second contrasting fabric to the front on the 11 1/2" side. (For the next 4 lines of stitching make sure to lock stitching lines by 3 stitches forward and backward at the beginning and ends of the lines of stitching.) Stitch down 1 1/4", leave 1/2" unstitched for the first notebook binder hole, stitch down 3 3/4", leave another 1/2" unstitched for the second notebook binder hole, stitch down 3 3/4", leave another 1/2" unstitched for the third notebook binder hole, then stitch down the remaining 1 1/4". Press seam open.
8. To sew the back/side seam fold pouch in half with right sides together. Stitch 4 lines of stitching as you did in step 7.
9. Fold pouch down center of left side piece matching seams of left side piece lining up the 3 holes on each side together. The fold on the other side should be approximately 1 1/4" away from the right side of pouch measuring from the folded edge at zipper tape to outside fold.
10. Stitch the top seam and then the bottom seam. Turn pouch to the right side. Press.

