



MATERIALS

Coats & Clark™ Dual Duty XP™ All-purpose Thread

$\frac{2}{3}$ yd (61cm) home décor weight fabric, for outer bag
 $\frac{1}{4}$ yd (23cm) contrast home décor weight fabric, for pocket
 $\frac{5}{8}$ yd (57cm) cotton fabric, for lining
 $\frac{1}{8}$ yd (13cm) contrast fabric, for binding
 $1\frac{1}{4}$ yds (1m) woven fusible interfacing, 20" (51cm)
 $1\frac{1}{2}$ yds (122cm) webbing, $1\frac{1}{4}$ " (3cm)
Pattern tracing cloth

SEWING | SKILL LEVEL: EASY

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What's more fun than a tote with a BIG patch pocket? It is perfect for carrying supplies to a workshop or holding your WIP (work in progress). If you're new to patch pockets, add one to the inside to practice the new skill.

MEASUREMENTS

15" x 16" x 4" (38cm x 41cm x 10cm)

PREPARATION

Draw a 20" (51cm) square onto pattern tracing cloth. Cut out a 2" (5cm) square from each lower corner. This creates the tote body pattern. Trace the pocket pattern and cut out.

CUTTING

From both the outer bag fabric and interfacing, cut:

(2) tote body

From the pocket fabric, cut:

(1) pocket, using the pattern provided

From the lining fabric:

Fold under the upper tote body pattern 3", then cut:

(2) adjusted bag body

From the binding fabric, cut:

(1) strip, $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x width-of-fabric

Seam allowances are $\frac{1}{2}$ " (1cm).

ASSEMBLING THE TOTE FRONT

1. Following the manufacturer's instructions, fuse the interfacing to the wrong side of the tote body front and back pieces.
2. Press under $\frac{1}{4}$ " (1cm) on the straight upper edge of the pocket and stitch in place. Press under $\frac{1}{4}$ " (1cm) along the remaining pocket edges, easing around the curves. Press under a 1" (2.5cm) hem along the pocket upper edge.



3. Position the pocket on the tote body front as desired with the straight edge facing the tote upper edge. It can be centered or at an angle like on the featured tote. Pin in place.
4. Edgestitch the pocket to the tote front and stitch horizontally at the pocket top for ¼" (1cm), backstitching to reinforce the opening.

Tip: For more fun, add a pocket to the tote back too! And for even more practice of your new pocket skills, add smaller pockets to the lining.

ASSEMBLING THE TOTE

1. Place the tote back and front right sides together aligning the raw edges. Sew the side and bottom seams. Press the seam allowances open.
2. To box the tote corners, fold the side seam exactly on top of the bottom seam and sew across the opening edges. Repeat for the second corner.
3. Turn the tote right side out. Press under a 2" (10cm) hem at the upper edge.

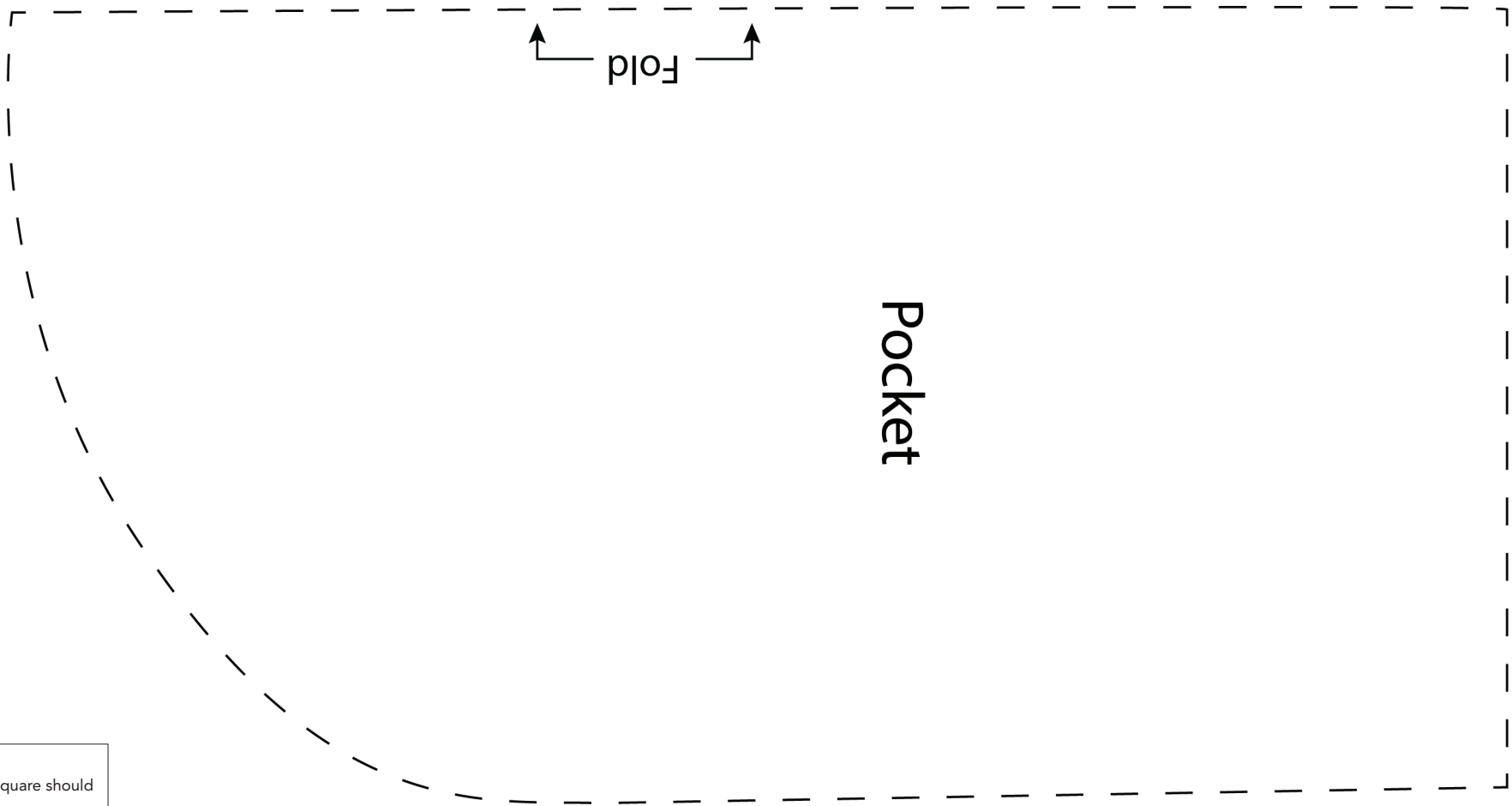
4. Repeat steps 1-2 for the tote lining, leaving it wrong side out.
5. Cut the webbing length in half. Mark the upper edge front and back tote centers, then open out the pressed hem. Matching raw edges, position the webbing strap 3" (8cm) from each side of the center marking in the hem area. Stitch the sides and across the fold area on each strap end through the hem area only.
6. To bind the inside tote upper edge, align the long raw edge of the binding with the right side of the upper tote edge. Sew around the tote, trimming the excess binding length and turning under the overlapping end before completing the stitching. Wrap the binding strip to the wrong side and press. Stitch in the ditch where the binding joins the tote. Trim the excess binding width to ¼" (.5cm) beyond the stitching line.

7. Fold the hem into the tote and pin around the upper fold. With wrong sides together, matching centers and side seams, push the lining into the tote and pin securely all the way down to the tote bottom. Be sure the lining lies flat all around the tote. Fold the tote hem over the upper lining edge.

FINISHING

1. Hand-stitch the lining to the tote binding.
2. Press the tote corners to create a crease line from the bottom boxing to the upper edge.





This square should
measure 1" x 1"
(2.54cm x 2.54cm)
when printed.

***** Measure templates before cutting to confirm printing at 100%*****