



Technique:	Sewing
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Skill Level:	Experienced Beginner
Crafting Time:	Weekend
Finished size:	15" (38.10cm) tall x 14" (35.56cm) wide x 4" (10.15cm) deep

## Featuring Coats Dual Duty XP®

If you've got a sweet tooth, why not tell the world with this fun candy label treat bag? Whether you use it for groceries or let the kid take it Trick or Treating, it's a great fabric lined carry-all.

## Supplies

- Coats Dual Duty XP All-purpose thread
- ½ yd (57.15cm) cotton print for lining
- 1½ yds webbing, 1" (2.54cm) wide
- Assorted wrappers and bags from candy or other foods
- Size 10/70 sewing machine needle
- Temporary spray adhesive
- Spring clips

## Cutting

### From the lining fabric, cut:

2 rectangles, 18½" (46.99cm) tall x 19" (48.26cm) wide.  
Cut a 2" (5.08cm) square from both lower corners.

### From the wrappers, cut:

Random size pieces showcasing the brand name and/or images

## Piecing the Tote Front and Back

1. Lay the lining fabric rectangles wrong side up on the work surface and spray with temporary adhesive.
2. Lay out the wrapper pieces randomly to cover each piece. If you need to pin, do so close to the edge of each piece as pin holes are permanent in most wrappers. Overlap the pieces at least ⅛" (.32cm).
3. Using a narrow (1.5mm) and medium length (2.5mm) zigzag, sew near or over the edge of each piece to anchor it to the lining fabric. For those stitching lines that end other than on the edges, leave threads long enough to pull to the back and tie off. Stitch around the edges of the lining pieces and trim wrappers to match.
4. Seam allowances are ¼" (.64cm).

## Assembling the Tote

1. Place the front and back right side together and sew the side and bottoms seams. Finger-press the seams open. **DO NOT** press with an iron.
2. To box the corners, place the bottom seam exactly on top of the side seam and sew across the straight edge.
3. Turn the tote right side out. Fold under 1½" (3.81cm) hem at the upper edge and clip in place. Fold the tote in half matching side seams. Mark the center point.
4. Cut the webbing length in half. Sear or zigzag the cut ends of each strap to prevent fraying.
5. Unfold the hem and position the strap edge even with the upper tote hem edge 3" (7.62cm) on each side of the center marking. Stitch in place.
6. Refold the hem in place and stitch ¾" (1.91cm) from the folded edge, keeping the straps perpendicular to the upper edge.