



Technique:	Sewing
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Skill Level:	Beginner/Intermediate
Crafting time:	Afternoon

Need a perfect place to tuck the cords for your technical gear? This padded bag is just the right size for a coiled charger cord or two.

Finished Size of Project: 4½" in diameter

Supplies:

Dual Duty XP All-Purpose thread
9" Coats fashion zipper
1 fat quarter of quilting cotton
⅓ yard of fusible interfacing
5" x 10" piece of foam interfacing (such as By Annie's Soft and Stable)

Additional Requirements:

Sewing Machine with Zipper foot
Basic Sewing Supplies

Instructions

Note: Seam allowances are $\frac{1}{4}$ ".

1. From the quilting cotton, cut five circles, $4\frac{1}{2}$ " in diameter, and two rectangles, $1" \times 3\frac{1}{2}"$. Cut two circles, $4\frac{1}{4}"$ in diameter, from the foam interfacing. Cut two rectangles, $1" \times 3\frac{1}{2}"$, from the fusible interfacing and fuse them to the wrong sides of the fabric rectangles.
2. Sandwich a foam circle between two fabric circles, right sides out. Baste $\frac{1}{8}"$ from the raw edges to hold the foam in place. Make two.
3. Fold one fabric circle in half, wrong sides together, and press. Place the pressed circle on one of the sandwiched circles, right sides up, matching the raw edges, and baste $\frac{1}{8}"$ from the raw edges. This forms a pocket on the outside of the pouch.
4. Mark the right side of the zipper tapes $\frac{1}{2}"$ from the top and bottom zipper stops. Place a fabric rectangle on the zipper, right sides together, with its short end at one of the marks. Sew across the fabric, $\frac{1}{4}"$ from the fabric edge. Place the right side of the second fabric rectangle against the wrong side of the zipper, aligning the rectangles with the zipper between, and sew again over the first line of stitches. Flip the rectangles right side out and press. Edgestitch $\frac{1}{8}"$ from the seams.
5. Loop the zipper around and place the first rectangle at the remaining mark, right sides together, and stitch as in step 4. Position the right side of the second rectangle on the wrong side of the zipper and stitch. Flip the rectangles into position to form a complete circle with the zipper and press. Edgestitch $\frac{1}{8}"$ from the second seam.
6. Divide the zipper loop and each circle into quarters and mark with pins. Pin the zipper loop to one circle, right sides together, matching the marks, and sew.
7. Open the zipper halfway. Pin the free edge of the zipper loop to the second circle, right sides together, and sew. Finish the raw edges of the seam allowances with zigzag, overcasting, or serger stitches.
8. Press the seam allowances away from the zipper. Use a burst of steam from your iron to heat and moisten the seam and then smooth it over your fingers; be careful not to burn your fingers on the zipper teeth. Turn the bag right side out through the zipper opening.