



## MATERIALS

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

**Coats & Clark™ Transparent Thread**

**Coats & Clark™ All-purpose Polyester Zipper, 16" (40.64cm)**

Assorted clothing labels

½ yd (45.72cm) lining fabric

⅔ yd (60.96cm) fusible interfacing

1 yd (.91m) double-fold bias tape

Zipper foot

Removable marker

Pattern tracing cloth

 SEWING, PIECING | SKILL LEVEL: INTERMEDIATE

**Featuring Coats & Clark™ Dual Duty XP® All-purpose Thread and Coats & Clark™ Transparent Thread**

Whether you've saved them for years, found them in a thrift store or purchased them online, vintage clothing labels are great for embellishing any project with collage. This handy zippered pouch is a fun one to try out the technique. Coats & Clark™ Transparent thread makes stitching over the labels disappear.

## MEASUREMENTS

8½" x 9" (bottom) x 4" (21.59cm x 22.86cm x 10.16cm)

## PREPARATION

Following the drawing, create a full-size pouch pattern on pattern tracing cloth. Cut out.

## CUTTING

**From the interfacing, cut:**

(2) Pouch

Seam allowances are ½" (1.27cm).

## ASSEMBLING THE FRONT AND BACK

1. Lay the interfacing pieces fusible side up on your pressing surface.

2. Arrange the clothing labels as desired to cover the surface of each pouch section, overlapping label edges as needed to hide any raw edges. Labels can be placed horizontally or vertically but be sure that the lower edges of the horizontal ones face the pouch bottom (with the notched corners). Do not leave any interfacing visible between the labels.
3. When you have a pleasing arrangement, follow the manufacturer's instructions to fuse the labels to the interfacing sections. Press from both sides to secure. There may be loose corners if labels were overlapped, but all raw edges should be hidden.



4. Draw a line down the vertical center of the pouch sections. Thread the machine needle with transparent thread. Using the edge of the presser foot as a guide for spacing, sew vertical rows of stitching across both pouch pieces to anchor the labels. If there are any loose label edges, stitch them down.
4. With the zipper partially closed, fold the pouch in half matching the upper edges. Sew both side seams and backstitch through the extended zipper. Trim the excess zipper length and press the seams in one direction. Bind the seam edges together.

## **ASSEMBLING THE POUCH**

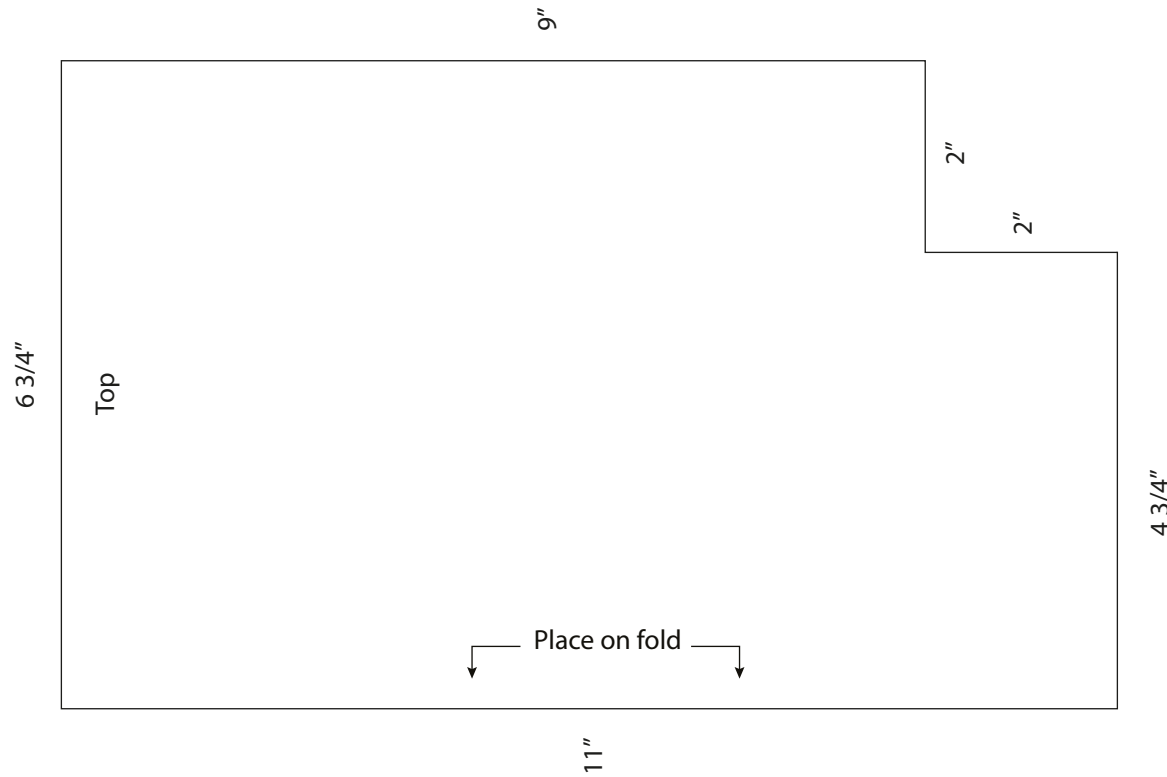
1. Sew the bottom seam in the pouch and press the seam open.
2. With the wrong side of the lining rectangle facing up, layer the pouch on top, right side up. Stitch around the outer pouch edges and trim the lining to match the pouch.
3. Place the zipper right sides together with one upper pouch edge, about ½" (1.27cm) from the end and stitch a ¼" (.64cm) seam. Being careful not to twist the zipper, repeat for the second side. Press the seam allowances away from the zipper and edgestitch.

5. Matching the side and bottom seams, sew across the pouch corners to box. Bind the seam edges together with double fold bias tape.
6. Turn the pouch right side out and gently push out the corners to shape.

## **FINISHING**

1. Fold a label or ribbon in half and hand-stitch to the zipper pull to form a pull-tab.





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

**\*\*\* Measure templates before cutting to confirm printing at 200%\*\*\***