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# Luscious Bow Tote

TOTE BAG PATTERN



*Free* pattern from the

**Glam Garden**  
COLLECTION

# Lucious Bow Tote

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- Use  $\frac{1}{2}$ " seam allowance unless otherwise noted
- Please read through all of the instructions before you start your project.
- Fabric requirements listed and pattern instructions are to make bow tote as shown, with different fabrics mixing and matching (see FABRIC PATTERN DISTRIBUTION below).

## MATERIALS LIST:

- A – Body:** AJG-9930-192,  $\frac{3}{8}$  yard
- B – Sides and handles:** AJG-9931-50,  $\frac{3}{8}$  yard
- C – Pocket:** AJG-9932-193,  $\frac{1}{3}$  yard
- D – Bow:** AJG-9926-193,  $\frac{1}{2}$  yard
- E – Lining:** AJG-9931-110,  $\frac{1}{2}$  yard

- **Interfacing** –  $\frac{1}{2}$  yard fusible medium weight,  $\frac{1}{2}$  yard fusible heavy weight
- **Thread** – Coordinating color

## TOOLS:

- Tape measure
- Scissors
- Iron
- Chalk pencil or fabric marker
- Straight pins

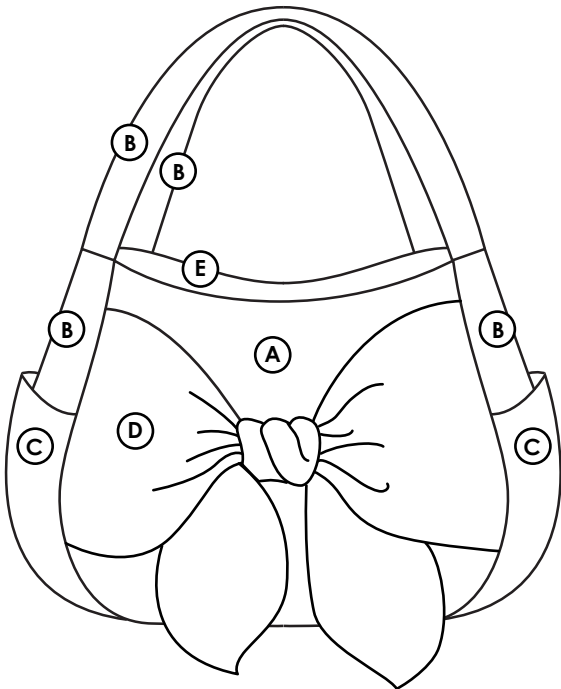
## CUT:

- A – Body:** cut front and back panels (see pattern)
- B – Sides:** cut 1 strip,  $33\frac{1}{2}$ " x 6"  
Handles: cut 2 strips 18" x 6"
- C – Pocket:** cut 1 strip  $33\frac{1}{2}$ " x 6"
- D – Bow:** cut 1 strip  $13\frac{1}{2}$ " x 16"  
**Knot for Bow:** cut 1 strip 13" x 6"  
**Bow End:** cut 4 from pattern
- E – Lining:** cut front and back panels (see pattern) and 1 strip  $33\frac{1}{2}$ " x 6"

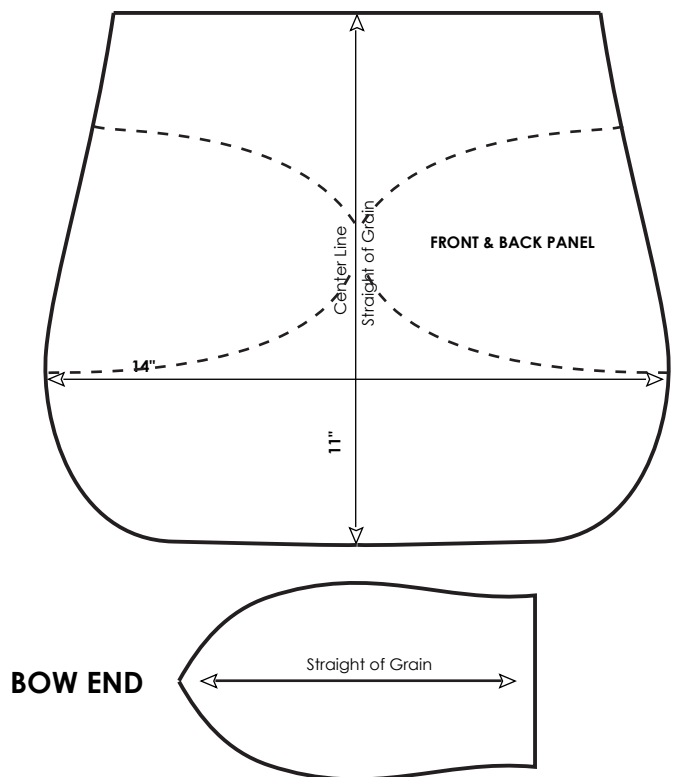
## From Interfacing –

- **medium weight:** cut front and back panels, 1 strip  $33\frac{1}{2}$ " x 6"
- **heavy weight:** cut 1 strip  $14\frac{1}{2}$ " x 19" and 4 bow ends from pattern.

## FABRIC PATTERN DISTRIBUTION:



## LUCIOUS BOW TOTE PATTERN & BOW END: ENLARGE 400%



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## Instructions

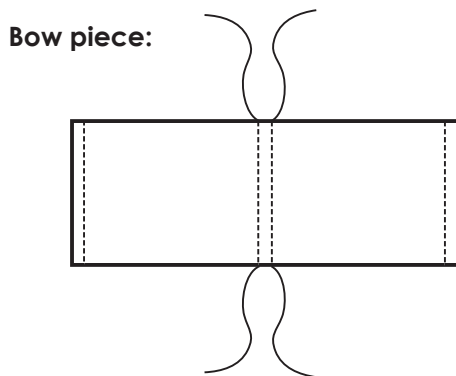
### Step 1: CONSTRUCT

Position interfacing over wrong side of front and back panels. Fuse, following the manufacturer's instructions. Position 33 ½" x 6" interfacing strip over wrong side of fabric B strip 33 ½" x 6". Fuse. Set aside.

### Step 2: BOW

Position heavy interfacing over wrong side of strip 13 ½" x 16". Fuse following manufacturer's instructions. Fuse remaining bow pieces following above instructions.

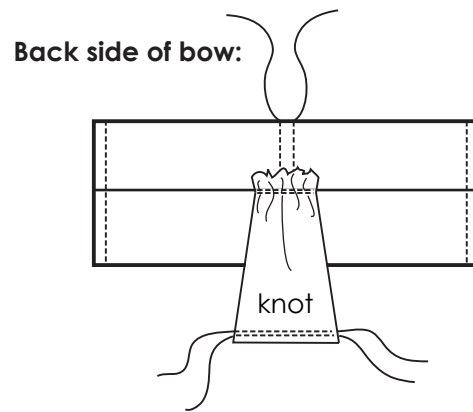
Fold 13 ½" x 16" strip in half lengthwise, right sides together. Stitch using ½" seam allowance. Turn right side out. Press, placing seam in center of strip. Stay stitch edges together using 3/8" seam allowance. Fold the strip in half to locate center and mark. Stitch 2 rows ¼" apart using a basting stitch. Pull gently to gather.



Position 1 bow end on top of second bow end so right sides are together. Stitch using ¼" seam allowance, leaving top open. Clip curve and turn to right side. Press. Repeat for additional bow end. Stitch ends together using basting stitch. Pull gently to gather.

To make center knot, fold piece in half along long side and stitch using 1/2" seam allowance. Turn right side out. Press placing seam down center of tube. Stitch ends together using 2 rows of gathering stitch. Gently pull for gathers making width 1 ¾".

Place knot piece in center of back side of bow. Stitch w/ basting stitch.



On right side of bow, place ends to bottom of bow in center. Bring knot piece over around bow and around to back to create knot. Pull knot piece to create desired width – around 1 ¼". Trim excess as needed. Hand stitch knot end to back bow to secure.

Place bow on front panel following markings on pattern. Adjust sides to create puffy bow. Stay stitch at sides.

**Note:** you may need to trim bow at sides to make even with front panel.

### Step 3: SIDES AND POCKETS

Press under 5 ½" on each end of pocket strip (fabric C). Center pocket piece on top of side piece (fabric B) matching centers, right sides up. Pin pocket piece to side piece on each side and baste using ½" seam allowance. Topstitch across 5" down from folded edge of pocket on each side. This will create the pocket.

Pin back panel to side piece matching centers, right sides together. Clip side piece as necessary to go around corner. Stitch using ½" seam allowance. Press seam allowances toward side piece. Repeat for front panel.

Press to inside ½" seam allowance along top edge of bag. Set aside.

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## Instructions (continued)

### Step 4: LINING

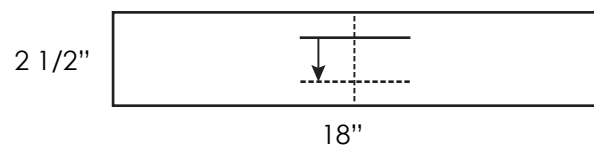
Stay stitch each side of lining side piece. With right sides together, pin side to back panel, clipping side piece as necessary to go around corners. Stitch using  $\frac{1}{2}$ " seam allowance. Press seam toward side piece. Repeat for front panel.

Press under  $\frac{1}{2}$ " seam allowance along top edge of bag.

### Step 5: HANDLES

Fold strip lengthwise. Stitch using  $\frac{1}{2}$ " seam allowance. Turn right side out. Press. Fold in half to find top of handle. Using sketch as a guide, bring solid line to dotted line to create pleat. Topstitch down for 5" total,  $2\frac{1}{2}$ " on each side of center. Repeat for second handle.

**Bring solid line to dotted line to create pleat.  
Edgestitch close to solid line.**



With right sides together, pin handle to side panel. Repeat for other handle. Two handles will meet at center of side piece. Stitch. Repeat for other side of bag.

### Step 6: LINING

Place lining inside of bag, with wrong sides together, matching side panel seams. Pin around top edge. Hand stitch top edge with a blind stitch to secure or topstitch  $\frac{1}{4}$ " away from edge.