

# GATHERER CROSSBODY BAG

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A small crossbody bag that's fun and satisfying to make and easy to use. Holds the basics without weighing you down! Button stud closure makes for easy access.

**Pattern Level: Experienced Intermediate**

*"I know the ropes and would like to test my skills!"*



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## Fabric and Supplies Needed

*Fabric amounts based on yardage that is 42" wide.*



Color	Fabric	Name/SKU	Yardage
	A	AFRM-15792-2 BLACK	1/2 yards
	B	AFRM-15793-284 BONE	1/2 yards*

*\*Use store bought piping or make your own using this tutorial: <http://www.noodle-head.com/2012/03/tutorial-handmade-piping.html>. If you make your own piping, increase the yardage of Fabric B to 1 yard.*

You will also need:

- 1-1/4 yards fusible woven interfacing (Pellon SF101)
- 1/3 yard fusible fleece (Pellon 987F)
- 1 yard 1/2" wide bias tape piping\*
- 2" x 4" scrap of leather, suede or non-fraying faux leather
- button stud (8mm size cap is recommended)
- (2) 1/2" swivel/lobster clasp hardware (optional for attaching strap)

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### Tools:

- Pinking shears
- Water-soluble pen
- Leather hole punch

## Notes Before You Begin

- Read through all of the instructions before beginning.
- All of the seam allowances are 1/2" unless otherwise noted.
- Baste using a 1/4" seam allowance.
- Press seam allowances open unless otherwise noted.
- Width of fabric (WOF) is equal to at least 42" wide.
- Right sides together has been abbreviated to RST.
- Wrong sides together has been abbreviated to WST.
- Remember to measure twice and cut once!
- Print templates at 100% scale, measuring the 1" test square to confirm the size.



## Cutting Instructions

From **Fabric A**, cut:

one Flap  
two Main  
one Pocket  
two 2" x 30-1/2" for the Strap

From **Fabric B**, cut:

one Flap  
two Main  
one Pocket  
two 6" x 7" rectangles for the Interior Slip Pocket

From **leather/suede**:

1-1/4" wide x 3-1/4" tall (can be taller for decorative angled bottom cut)

From **Fusible Woven Interfacing** (20" wide):

two Flap  
two Main  
one Pocket  
three 2" x 20" for the Strap

From **Fusible Fleece**:

two Main

## Assembly

### Step 1: Fuse Interfacing

- A. Fuse woven interfacing to wrong side of Flap and Pocket exterior pieces (strap pieces will be fused in Step 2).
- B. Fuse woven interfacing to wrong side of Main and Flap lining pieces.
- C. Fuse Fusible Fleece to wrong side of both exterior Main pieces being sure to trim away dart area from fleece before fusing.

### Step 2: Make Strap and Strap Holders

- A. Place short ends of strap pieces RST and sew. Press seam open. Fuse interfacing end-to-end on wrong side. *[Figure 1]*

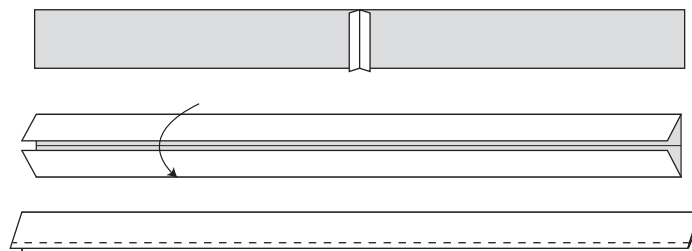


Figure 1

- B. Fold strap in half lengthwise WST. Open and press raw edges to center crease. Fold in half again and press. Strap will be 1/2" wide.



- C. Topstitch along open long edge. Add additional rows of topstitching as desired. Trim off two pieces 2-1/4" long each, these will be used as the Strap Holders.

### Step 3: Make Darts

- A. Mark dart on WS of all Main and Pocket exterior and lining pieces.  
B. To make darts, fold the fabric RST with dart legs aligned. [Figure 2]

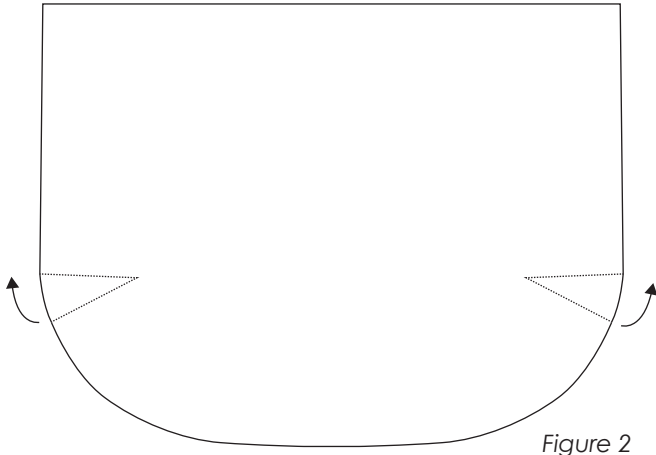


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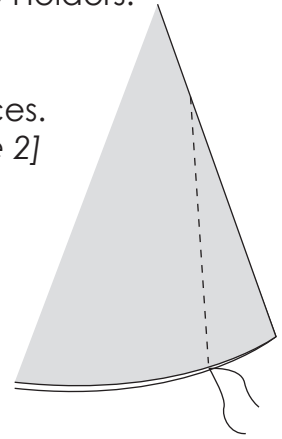


Figure 3

- C. Sew along the marked dart line. Repeat for all other darts. [Figure 3]

- D. Press darts upwards for one Main exterior piece and down for the other Main exterior piece. Repeat for Main and Pocket lining pieces.

### Step 4: Make Pocket

- A. Pin piping in place along top edge of Pocket exterior piece. The raw edge of the piping will be aligned to the top edge of the pocket. Baste piping in place. [Figure 4]  
B. Position Pocket pieces RST. Sew across top edge using piping foot. Position Pocket pieces WST and press. Topstitch along top edge of Pocket just below the piping. Baste Pocket pieces together along entire curved edge and sides.  
C. Place Pocket (lining side down) on one Main exterior piece, aligning to bottom and sides. Pin. Baste in place along curved edge and sides. [Figure 5]

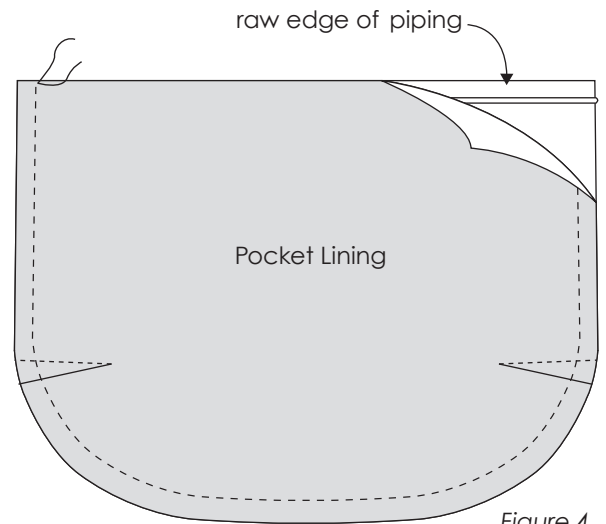


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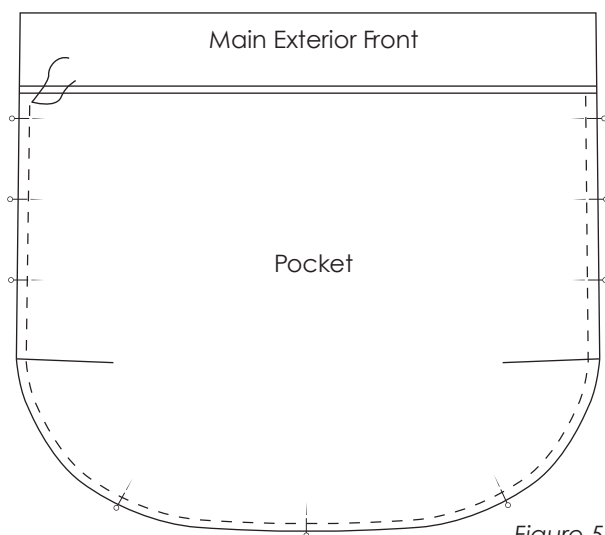


Figure 5



### Step 5: Make Flap

- A. Pin piping in place along curved edge and sides of Flap exterior piece. The raw edge of the piping will be aligned to the raw curved edge and sides of the Flap. Baste piping in place. [Figure 6]
- B. Place Flap pieces RST and pin. Sew along curved edge and sides using piping foot. Trim seam allowance with pinking shears. Turn right side out so Flap pieces are WST and press. Topstitch along curved edge and sides of Flap just inside the piping on the Flap.

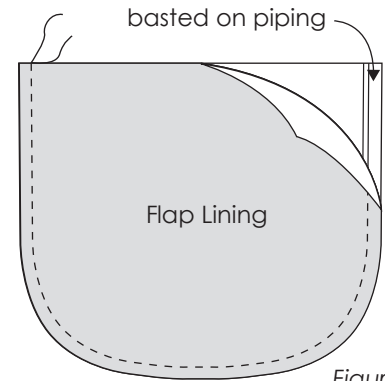


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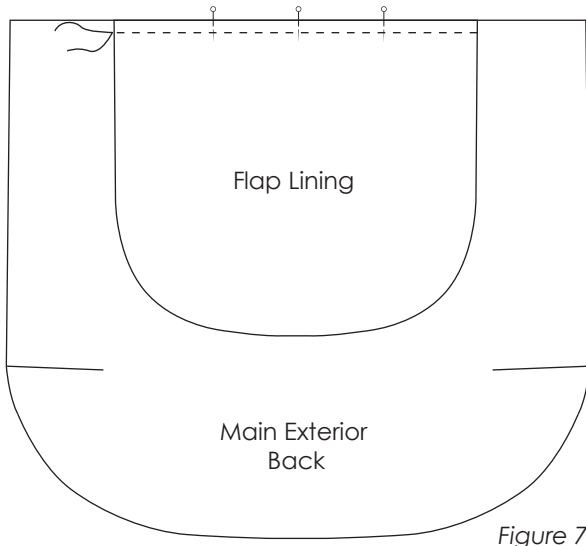


Figure 7

- C. Center Flap (exterior side down) on Main exterior back piece (without the pocket attached), aligning raw straight edge of Flap with top edge of Main exterior. Baste along straight edge. With Flap exterior still touching the Main exterior, pin Flap in place with a safety pin. [Figure 7]

### Step 6: Assemble

- A. Place Slip Pocket pieces RST. Sew along all sides leaving a 3'' opening for turning on bottom edge. Clip corners. [Figure 8]

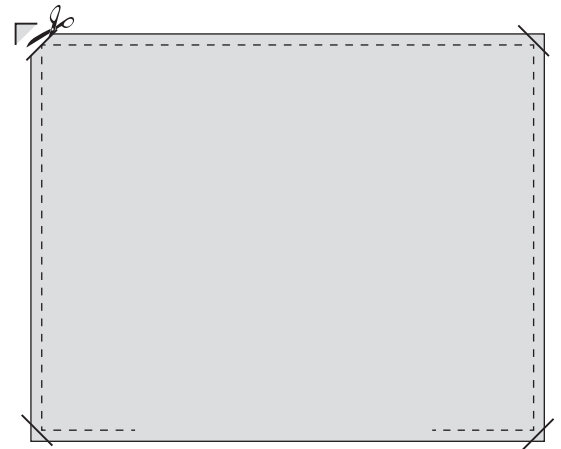


Figure 8

- Turn right side out. Press. Topstitch along top pocket edge.
- B. Center pocket 2 1/2'' down from top raw edge of Main lining. Pin in place. Sew along sides and bottom of pocket, beginning and ending with a small triangle in each corner for reinforcement. Set aside. [Figure 9]

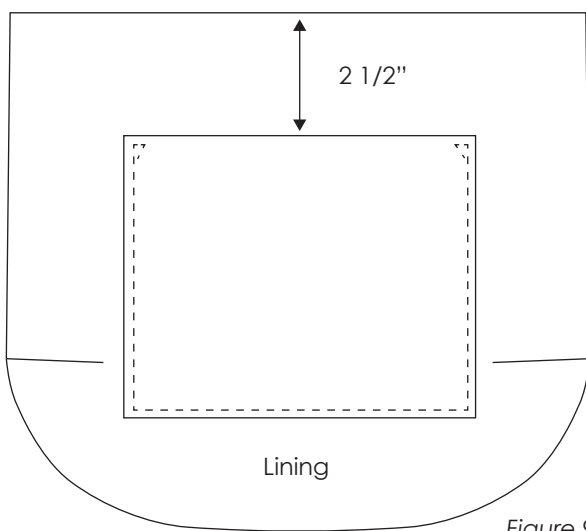


Figure 9

- C. Fold Strap Holders in half to form a loop and baste raw edges together. Baste Strap Holders in place 1'' down from each top corner of front Main exterior piece, loop facing in toward the center and aligning raw edges with Main exterior.



- D. Place Main exterior pieces RST and sew along curved edge and sides being sure to match dart seams and nest their seam allowances. [Figure 10] Turn right side out.

Repeat for Main lining pieces, but leaving a 4-5" opening at the bottom of the lining for turning in the next step (leave assembled lining wrong side out).

- E. Place assembled exterior into assembled lining RST, aligning side seams. Lining with slip pocket will be RST with Main exterior back piece. Sew along top open edge. Turn right side out through opening in lining. Tuck in raw edges of lining opening. Sew opening in lining closed, by machine or hand.

- F. Push lining into bag. Remove safety pin from Flap. Press along top edge and topstitch, keeping flap up and out of the way. [Figure 11]

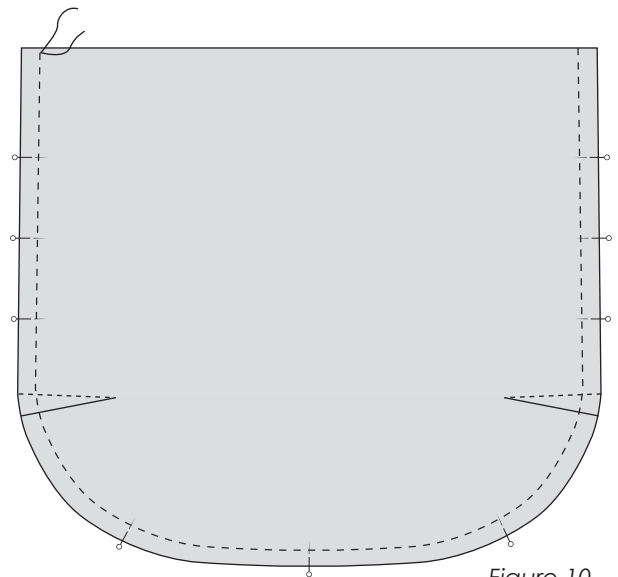


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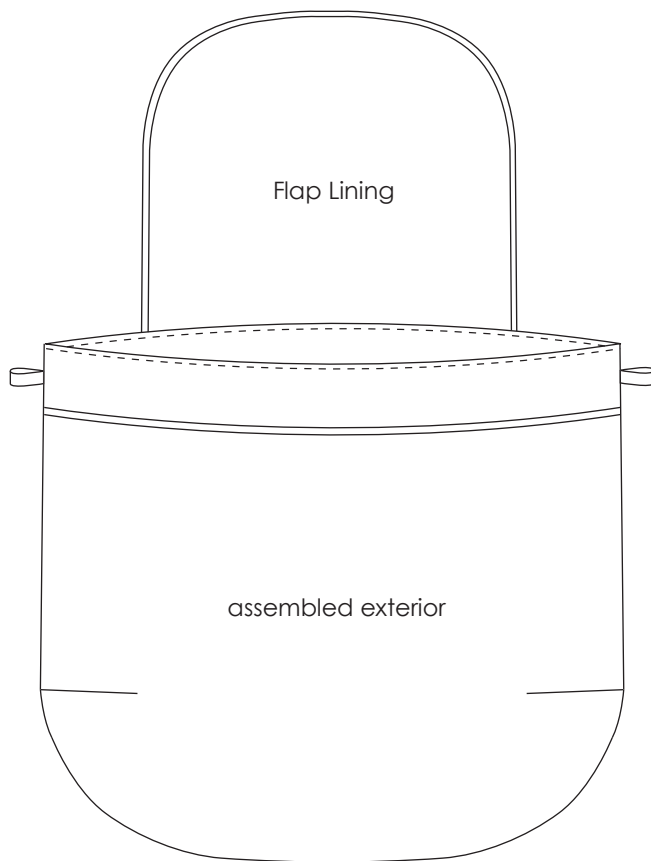


Figure 11

### Step 7: Make Flap Closure

- A. Center leather or suede on flap approximately 1 1/2" from Flap's bottom piped edge. Sew in place by making a rectangle with an 'x' through the middle. [Figure 12]

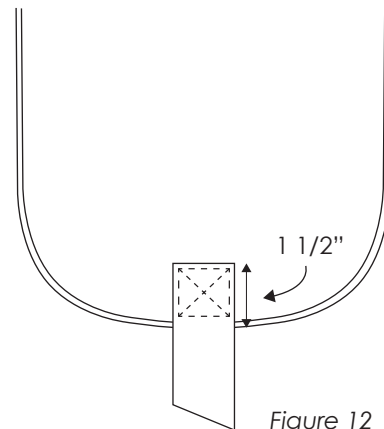


Figure 12

Do not backstitch, rather, leave long thread tails and use a hand sewing needle to thread both tails of thread back through to the backside of the flap and knot in place.

- B. Center button stud on leather and mark placement. Punch hole for button stud. Cut small slit upwards from the punched hole for allowing leather to push over button stud. [Figure 13]

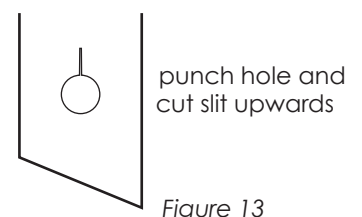


Figure 13



- C. Mark button stud placement on Pocket. Punch hole (or carefully use a seam ripper) through Pocket using the marking as a guide. Slip button stud screw through from Pocket lining side to exterior and screw on button stud cap. Push leather flap over button stud and adjust opening in suede/leather as needed.

**Step 8: Attach Strap**



- A. Thread Strap end through Strap Holders and tie in a knot to hold in place, adjusting overall length as needed and trimming excess. Alternately, you can use ½" swivel clasps/lobster clasp hardware to attach to Strap which will clip to Strap Holders.



## Alternative Fabric Option #1



Fabric amounts based on yardage that is 42" wide.

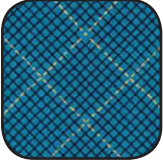

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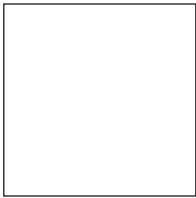
## Alternative Fabric Option #2



Fabric amounts based on yardage that is 42" wide.

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	A	AFRM-15793-9 NAVY	1/2 yards		B	AFRM-15793-335 SHALE	1/2 yards*
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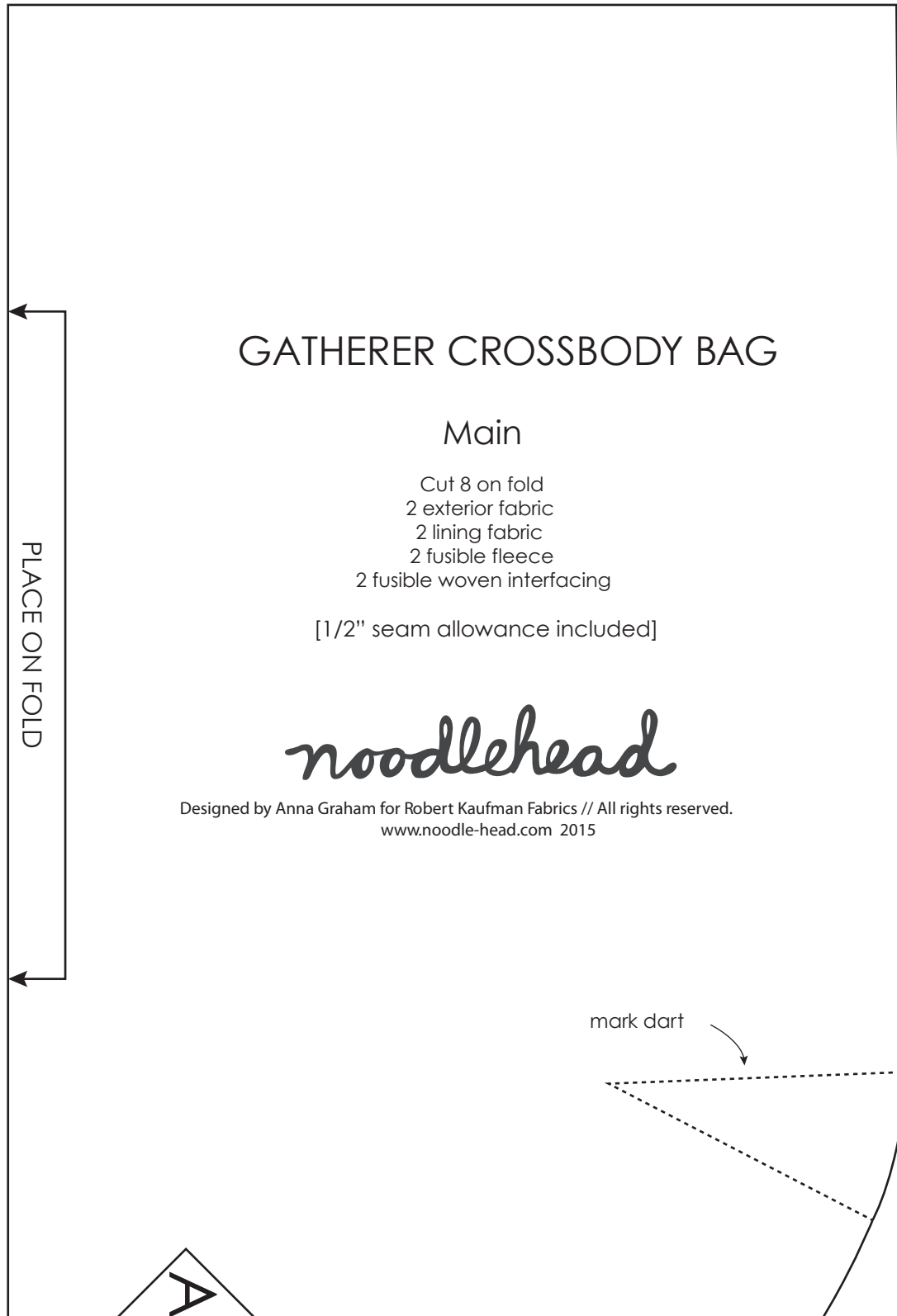




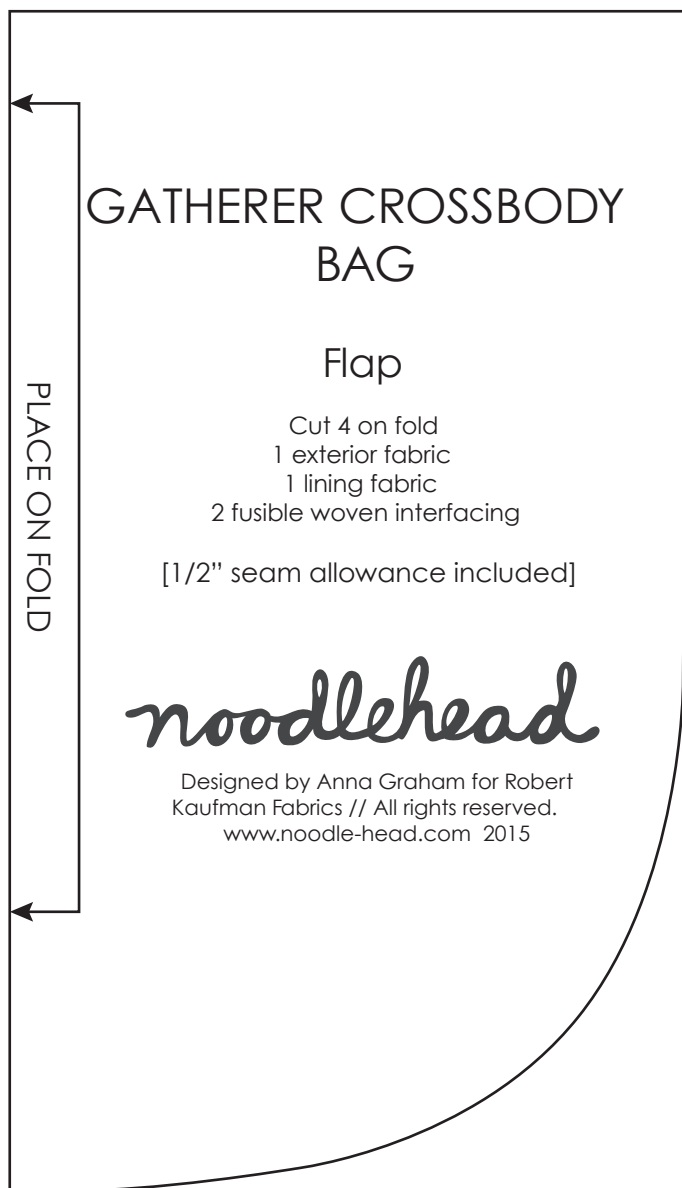
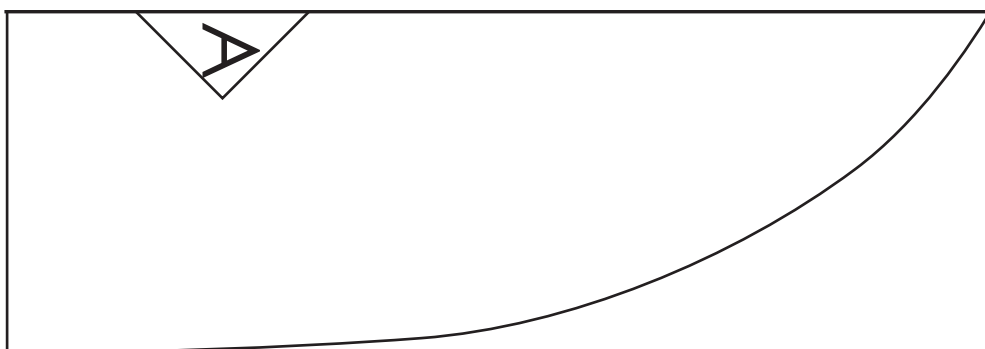
### Test Box:

When printed at 100% this box will measure 1" square.

**Assemble:** Cut along solid lines, tape together at marked letters, matching 'A' to 'A'.









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## Pocket

Cut 3 on fold  
1 exterior fabric  
1 lining fabric  
1 fusible woven interfacing

[1/2" seam allowance included]

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PLACE ON FOLD

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