# **Just Beachy Tote**

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Finished tote measures 16" x 17" x 5"

Pattern Level: Confident Beginner

"I have basic block construction down and would like to learn a new trick!"



# Fabric and Supplies Needed

Color	Fabric	Name/SKU	Yardage	Color	Fabric	Name/SKU	Yardage
	A	AAK-14683-195	1/4 yard		С	T079-1387 WHITE Microfiber Terry Knit	1 yard
	В	E014-400 Essex Carrot	1/2 yard	You will also need: 2 yards of woven fusible interfacing 2 yards of 2" wide cotton webbing			

# Notes Before You Begin

- Please read through all of the instructions before beginning.
- All of the seam allowances are 1/2" unless otherwise noted.
- WOF is "Width of Fabric" which is 40" minimum, unless otherwise noted.
- Press all seam allowances open after each seam is sewn, unless otherwise noted.
- Remember to measure twice and cut once!

# **Cutting Instructions**

#### Fabric A

- Cut two rectangles 8" x 19"

#### Fabric B

- Cut two rectangles 13" x 19"

#### Fabric C

- Cut two rectangles 19" x 20"

## **Fusible Interfacing**

- Cut two rectangles 19" x 20"

#### **Cotton Webbing**

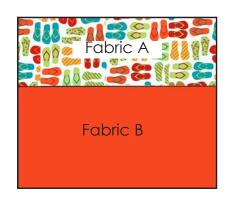
- Cut two strips 30" long

# **Assembly Instructions**

#### **Assemble the Exterior Bag**

#### Step 1:

- Sew Fabric A and Fabric B together along the long side to make 1 Exterior Panel.
- Repeat this for the other Fabric A and Fabric B pieces to make a second Exterior Panel.



## Step 2:

- Fuse the interfacing to the wrong sides of your two Exterior Panels, following the manufacturer's instructions.

## Step 3:

- On the outside of an Exterior Panel, measure
   4" in from the left side and place a cotton webbing strip with raw edges aligned.
- Pin in place and baste with an 1/8" seam allowance.
- Measure 4" in from the right side and baste the other end of the webbing strip the same way.



## Step 4:

- With the right sides together, and the handles tucked in between the layers, sew the Exterior Panels together down both 20" sides and across the 19" bottom. Backstitch at the beginning and end of your seams.

## Make the Bag Gussets

## Step 1:

- Mark a 2"x 2" square on the bottom right corner of the sewn Exterior Panels.
- Cut the square out along the drawn line.
- Repeat for the bottom left corner.

## Step 2:

- Stick your hand inside of the bag and push out the front so that you can match up the side seam to the bottom seam.
- Pin in place and sew.
- Repeat for the other side.
- Set the finished Exterior Bag aside.

#### Make the Bag Lining

#### Step 1:

- With the right sides together, sew the two Fabric C rectangles together down both 20" sides and across the 19" bottom. Leave about a 6" opening in the bottom seam for turning the bag right side out.
- Turn the Lining right side out.







# Step 2:

- Slip the Bag Lining into the wrong side out Exterior Bag, matching up the top raw edges and the side seams and pin in place. Make sure that the handles are tucked down in between the Exterior and Lining.
- Sew around the top edge using a 1/2" seam allowance. Backstitch over the handles to reinforce.

## Step 3:

- Reaching in through the 6" hole that you left in the lining, turn the entire bag right side out and then stitch the hole in the lining closed using an 1/8" seam allowance.

## Step 4:

- Nestle the lining down into the exterior of the bag and give the top seam a good press.
- Make sure that side seams are aligned, and corners are pushed out and then sew around the top of the bag with an 1/8" seam allowance. Give the outside of the bag one more press and you are done!