# SIMPLE TOTE

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Finished size: 17" x 17"

Pattern Level: Enthusiastic Novice

"I am a total beginner and want to learn more!"



## Fabric and Supplies Needed

Fabric amounts based on yardage that is 42" wide.

Color	Fabric	Yardage	Color	Fabric	Yardage	
	A	5/8 yard		B B	5/8 yard	
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### Notes Before You Begin

- Read through all of the instructions before beginning.
- All of the seam allowances are 1/4" unless otherwise noted.
- 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.
- Remember to measure twice and cut once!

## **Cutting Instructions**

#### From Fabric A, cut:

Two 18" x 18" squares

#### From Fabric B, cut:

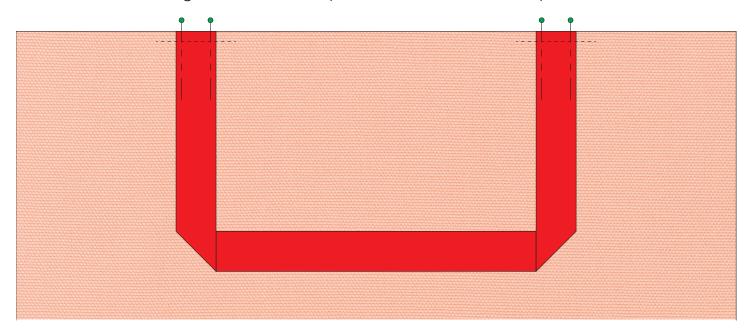
Two 18" x 18" squares

#### From the cotton webbing, cut:

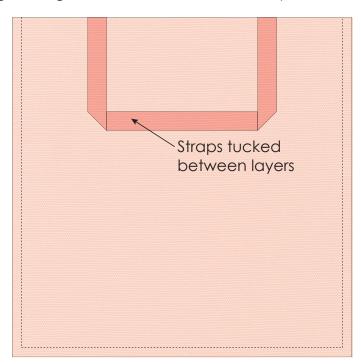
two 22" straps

## Assemble the Bag

1. Pin a strap to the top edge of each exterior panel, RST and raw edges aligned and 4" from each side edge. Ensure that straps are not twisted. Baste in place with 1/4" seam.



2. Place exterior panels RST with straps tucked between the panels. Sew along both sides and the bottom edge, using a 1/2" seam allowance. Clip the corners. Press seams open.



- 3. Repeat Step 2 with the lining panels, leaving a 6" opening along the bottom seam for turning. Press the seam allowance open at the opening.
- 4. With exterior right side out and lining wrong side out, place exterior inside the lining, tucking straps between the layers. Pin at side seams and around the top of the bag. Sew, using 1/2" seam, around entire top of the bag.
- 5. Pull the bag through the opening in the lining. Tuck raw edges of the lining opening in and edge stitch closed.
- 6. Press seam at the top of the bag. Top stitch 1/4" from top edge, around the entire bag.

For instructions on adding a pocket to your tote, please view the how-to video located at: http://www.robertkaufman.com/quilting/quilts\_patterns/simple\_tote\_3302/