

Loraine Bucket Bag
Supplemental Instructions to Online Video Course
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The Loraine Bucket Bag is the perfect lightweight cross body bag for every day use. The bag is lightweight yet it can stand up on it's own when empty. It features a drawstring closure with 12 grommets and an interior zipper pocket. Let's get started!

***All seam allowances are 1/4" unless otherwise noted. All pattern pieces include the seam allowance.**

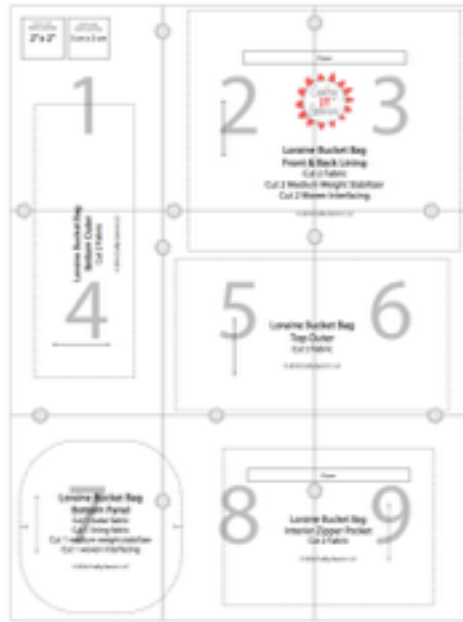
APPROX. FINISHED SIZE: 12" x 10.5" x 7"

Fabric & Supply List:

- **Outer Fabric:** 1/4 yard of TWO different fabrics [[Buy your cork fabric here.](#)]
- **Lining Fabric:** 1/3 yard quilting cotton fabric
- **Interior Zipper Pocket:** 2 squares at 11" x 11" of quilting cotton fabric
- **Shoulder strap:** Two strips of fabric at 4" x Width of Fabric (~40-45")
- **Drawstring closure:** One strip of 2.5" x Width of Fabric (~40" x 45")
- **Woven Interfacing:** 2 yards if using 20" wide of Pellin Shape Flex or I recommend one pack of Bosal Shape Flex that measures 36" x 46".
- **Medium Weight Sew-In Interfacing:** 1 yard of 20" wide Pellon 40. [[Buy it here.](#)]
- **One 9" nylon zipper (or longer)**
- **Grommet setting kit:** At least 12 size #2 (3/8") grommets per bag [[Buy it here in brass.](#)]
- **Sewing machine that can handle bulky layers**
- **90/14 or 100/16 topstitch or denim needle**
- **All purpose polyester thread**
- **Paper glue stick for putting pattern pieces together**
- **Zipper foot**
- **Iron**
- **Rotary Cutter and Cutting Mat**
- **Scissors**
- **Quilting rulers**
- **Optional: Walking foot for sewing the bulky layers together, if needed.**
- **Optional: Pins or Wonder Clips, office binder clips, etc.**
- **Disappearing Ink Fabric Marker**

Pattern Diagram:

When combining the PDF pages they should look like this:



Cutting Directions:

- Cut 2 Outer top panels from first outer fabric
- Cut 2 Outer bottom panels from coordinating outer fabric (I used cork. You can buy it here.)
- Cut 2 lining panels from fabric and two from woven interfacing and 2 from medium weight stabilizer
- Bottom Panel: cut 1 of outer fabric, 1 of lining fabric, 1 medium weight stabilizer, 1 of woven interfacing.
- Interior zipper pocket: Cut two fabric panels of coordinating fabric.
- Crossbody strap: Cut two strips at 4" x Width of Fabric (~ 40"- 45"). *Optional: Cut strips of woven interfacing to equal length of strip.*
- Drawstring: Cut one strip at 2" x Width of Fabric (~ 40"- 45").

Directions:

1. Fuse woven interfacing to lining pieces- 2 lining panels and bottom panel.
2. Sew outer top and bottom panels together with a 1/4" seam allowance. Panel should measure 11.5" from top to bottom so it matches lining pieces. Trim if needed. Press and topstitch seams where top outer and bottom outer panels meet. Then baste both outer panels to medium weight interfacing at 1/8" from edge.

3. Baste the medium weight interfacing to outer bottom panel fabric.
4. Sew outer panels together at side seams to make a tube. Match up intersections of top and bottom of outer panels as precisely as possible.
5. Fold bottom panel in quarters to mark center points on all four sides.
6. Fold outer tube so side seams match up and use that as a way to mark the center points on the other sides. Fold outer bottom panel in fours to mark center of all four sides as well.
7. Pin bottom panel marks so the longer side is running vertically with side seams and pin/clip in place. Match remaining center marks on bottom panel with marks on outer tube. Clip in place all around and sew with 3/8" seam allowance. Set completed bag outer aside.

Making and attaching interior zipper pocket:

- Using pattern pieces cut two pocket panel pieces from your pocket fabric.
- Flip one pocket piece over so you are looking at the wrong side and draw a box for the zipper by drawing two vertical lines that are 1.5" inches in from side edges and 1" down from top edge and again at 1.5" down from top edge. Connect to make box.
- Take one lining piece orient with pretty side face up and draw two lines 1.5" in from both sides.
- Then draw another line horizontally across the top 1" down from top edge. These lines are the edges for where you should line up the zipper pocket fabric.
- Lay lining panel face up and place zipper pocket with box on it face down using the lines on lining panel as your guideline. Pin in place and stitch around the box you drew on the pocket piece.
- Cut down center of box, flip lining through opening and press flat.
- Place zipper underneath and glue baste or pin in place and sew close to edge of box to secure. Trim off excess zipper tape.
- Add remaining zipper pocket piece pretty sides touching with attached pocket piece and sew around all 4 sides to make pocket making sure you do not sew through the lining fabric. You should only be sewing together the two pocket fabric pieces.

Lining Construction:

- Sew lining panels together down both side seams to create a tube and make sure to leave a 5-6" opening on one side to flip bag out later.
- Attach bottom panel same as you did for outer by marking center points and matching them up before sewing it all together.

Crossbody Strap construction:

- Piece together both 4" x Width of Fabric strips and trim down to desired length. (I'm 5' 8" tall and cut mine to 51" for cross body.)
- Optional: Fuse woven interfacing to wrong side of fabric strip.

- Fold strip in half lengthwise and then fold up both long edges in towards the center crease line you just made and press. Fold entire thing up to conceal raw edges and top stitch down both long sides of strap to secure.

Bag construction:

- Baste shoulder strap to bag outer so that strap and bag raw edges match on the side seams.
- Place lining inside bag out so pretty sides are touching and side seams are matching up. Pin or clip together and using a 1/4" seam sew all around top of bag.
- Flip bag right side out through the whole in the lining and press. Sew up the opening in the lining and push lining into bag so it lays smooth and flat. Press around top edge so lining fabric is not showing from the outside and top stitch 1/8" away from top edge through all layers.
- Measure one inch down from top edge and sew around bag opening again.
Grommets will be installed in that 1" space all around the bag.

Grommet Installation:

- Please refer to the video lessons for detailed instructions on grommet installation and how to measure to space them apart correctly.
- You will need 12 size #2 (3/8") grommets per Loraine Bucket Bag.

Drawstring:

- With one 2.5" x width of fabric strip fold in half lengthwise and then fold in long edges towards center crease. Fold entire strip in half lengthwise again and topstitch making sure to tuck in raw edges on the ends of your strip.
- Refer to the video lesson on how to weave the drawstring closure through the grommets. That's it!

CONGRATULATIONS ON MAKING A LORAINÉ BUCKET BAG!