

# **CRAFTY GEMINI PATTERNS**

# Worthington Pouches

Finished measurements for three sizes:

Small: 7" x 3.5" x 1.75" | Medium: 7.5" x 4.5" x 1.75" | Large: 8.5" x 5.5" x 2.5"

Fat Quarter: a piece of cotton fabric that measures ~18" x 22"





## Main supplies

- Exterior fabric: 1 Fat Quarter of cotton fabric
- Lining fabric: 1 Fat Quarter of cotton fabric
- Quilt or Fusible batting/Fusible Fleece: 1 fat quarter
- Cotton woven fusible interfacing (<u>Bosal Fashion Fuse</u>): 1 fat quarter
- One #3 craft zipper at least 9" long
- Rotary cutter + cutting mat
- Ironing + ironing board
- Basic sewing supplies including scissors, plastic sewing clips, fabric marker, hand sewing needle, etc.
- Basting glue
- Sewing machine
- · Zipper foot for your sewing machine
- Size 80/12 universal sewing machine needle
- Cotton or all-purpose polyester thread: 40-50 weight recommended.
- Optional- wooden tailor's clapper

## Fabric Cutting Directions:

- SMALL POUCH:
  - Cut 2 exterior fabric @ 6" x 8.5"
  - Cut 2 <u>batting/fusible fleece</u> @ 6" x 8.5"
  - Cut 2 lining fabric with SMALL TEMPLATE
  - Cut 2 Bosal Fashion Fuse with SMALL TEMPLATE
  - Cut 2 any fabric @ 1" x 1.5" for zip tabs (cut at 1.25" x 1.5" if using #5 zipper)

## Fabric Cutting Directions (continued):

#### MEDIUM POUCH:

- Cut 2 exterior fabric @ 7" x 10.5"
- Cut 2 <u>batting/fusible fleece</u> @ 7" x 10.5"
- Cut 2 lining fabric with MEDIUM TEMPLATE
- Cut 2 Bosal Fashion Fuse with MEDIUM TEMPLATE
- Cut 2 any fabric @ 1" x 1.5" for zip tabs (cut at 1.25" x 1.5" if using #5 zipper)

#### LARGE POUCH:

- Cut 2 exterior fabric @ 8.5" x 11.5"
- Cut 2 <u>batting/fusible fleece</u> @ 8.5" x 11.5"
- Cut 2 lining fabric with LARGE TEMPLATE
- Cut 2 Bosal Fashion Fuse with LARGE TEMPLATE
- Cut 2 any fabric @ 1" x 1.5" for zip tabs (cut at 1.25" x 1.5" if using #5 zipper)

### Directions:

- 1. Prepare exterior panels: Lay each exterior fabric panel on top of quilt batting/fusible batting/fusible fleece and either fuse or quilt through them both to create a quilted panel that has some structure and will not separate.
- 2. Once exterior panels are quilted or fused use the pouch template in desired size to cut out two matching panels.
- 3. Fuse cotton woven fusible interfacing to the back of both lining panels.

#### Zipper prep

- 1. Cut zipper to 7" end to end for the **SMALL** (7 ½" end to end for the **MEDIUM** size OR 8 ¼" end to end for the **LARGE** size). Make sure to slide the zipper pull so it is included in the cut length of zipper.
- 2. Take the two 1" x 1.5" (or 1.25" x 1.5" if using #5 zipper) for zip tabs and fold in half so the fold is along the 1.5" dimension. Open it up and then fold the two 1" wide ends in towards that center crease line. Use basting glue if you'd like. Slip one cut end of your zipper into the center fold so the zip tab covers the raw zipper tape edge and place a sewing clip. Topstitch through zip tab and zipper tape to secure the tab in place. Repeat to the other end of zipper with remaining zip tab. Zipper should still measure: SMALL: 7", MEDIUM: 7.5", LARGE 8.25".

#### Construct bag

- 1. Center prepped zipper with pretty side down on the top edge of the pretty side of one exterior panel. Make sure the zipper is shorter than that top edge and that you have the same amount (~1/4") of fabric sticking out on both ends. Place sewing clips. Install zipper foot in your sewing machine.
- 2. Baste stitch (3-3.5mm) with about 1/8" seam allowance to attach zipper to exterior panel. Then add one lining fabric panel with pretty side facing down on top of the zipper matching top edges (not the edge with the square cut outs!) and use a shorter stitch length (2.0-2.6mm) and the full zipper foot seam allowance to sew through all layers.

## Directions (continued):

## Construct bag (continued):

- 3. Repeat to attach remaining exterior panel and lining panel to the other zipper tape edge.
- 4. Once all exterior panels and lining panels are attached to the zipper you can remove the zipper foot from your machine and put on the regular presser foot.
- 5. OPEN THE ZIPPER 3/4 of the way! Take both exterior panels and bring them together with pretty sides touching. Place clips around the sides matching everything. Take both lining panels and bring them together with pretty sides touching. Place clips around the sides matching everything. Note: Make sure the seam intersections on the zipper ends are matching and you place a clip to hold the seam allowances in opposite directions to help reduce bulk.
- 6. On the lining side bottom edge (the edge with the cut outs) mark a 3.5" long line in the center that will be your reminder to leave this area unstitched.
- 7. Using a 1/4" seam allowance you will sew around all the sides backstitching at the beginning and end of every seam you sew. Ignore the cut out areas for now and make sure the marked area in the lining remains unstitched. You should NOT be sewing over the bulk at the zipper tab ends. The idea is you sew next to it instead.
- 8. Place a finger in one of the corner cut outs and pinch to the left and right of the seam intersection to get the side seam and bottom seam to line up. Push seam allowances in opposite directions and place a sewing clip. Repeat to remaining 3 corners.
- 9. Use a 1/4" seam allowance and sew across all four corners to close and box them up.
- 10. Reach in through the opening in the lining, through the open zipper and flip the whole pouch right side out pushing out all the corners and zipper ends. Press it well.
- 11. Pull lining out, tuck in the raw fabric edges at the open area and topstitch 1/8" in from the edge with a 3.0mm stitch length to close it up. Tuck lining back inside the pouch and you're done! Give it a final press and you're done!