



## CRAFTY GEMINI PATTERNS

# Mini Barrel Pouch

Finished measurements: 10" x 4" x 4"

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



### Main supplies

- Exterior fabric: 1 fat quarter
- Lining fabric: 1 fat quarter
- Foam Stabilizer: 1 fat quarter
- #3 or #5 craft zipper: 12"+ long
- Basting Glue or wash away tape for basting
- Rotary cutter + cutting mat
- Iron + ironing board
- Sewing machine with standard and zipper foot
- Size 90/14 universal or quilting sewing machine needle
- All-purpose polyester or cotton thread: 40-50 weight recommended
- Optional: wooden tailor's clapper
- Basic sewing supplies including scissors, plastic sewing clips, pins, fabric marker, etc.

### Fabric Cutting Directions:

- Cut 1 rectangle from exterior fabric @ 12" x 18"
- Cut 1 rectangle from lining fabric @ 12" x 18"
- Cut 1 rectangle of foam stabilizer @ 12" x 18"
- Cut 1 handle strap of desired fabric @ 2" x 7"
- Cut 2 zipper binding strips of desired fabric at:
  - If using a #3 zipper: 1 1/2" x 11"
  - If using a #5 zipper: 2" x 11"

## Directions:

### Create Quilted Panel:

1. Layer exterior fabric on top of foam stabilizer pretty side up and place lining fabric on other side of foam pretty side facing out. (You should have a fabric-foam-fabric sandwich with pretty sides visible on both front and back.)
2. Quilt through layers. I like straight lines for beginners or to get it quilted quickly and accurately. (**Watch Video 4 for step by step instructions.**)

### Cut and Zig Zag Pieces:

1. Cut out 1 rectangle at 10 ½" x 12 ½" from the quilted panel.
2. Cut out 2 circles using the PDF circle template from the quilted panel.
3. Zig zag (W: 4.0mm L: 2.5mm) around all cut edges of the three quilted panel pieces.

### Prep Binding Strips:

1. Prep 2 binding strips like a double fold binding strip. (**Watch Video 6 for more.**)
  - a. With pretty side facing down fold in half lengthwise and press. Then open and bring long edges in towards center fold, press and glue baste them down.

### Attach Binding Strips to Panel:

1. Open one strip, insert and glue baste one short edge of the quilted panel inside. Glue baste on both sides and press with a dry iron to set glue. Aim for accuracy here!
2. Repeat to the opposite edge with remaining binding strip.

### Attach Zipper:

1. Cut zipper tape end to slide of zipper pull off and separate zipper teeth so you have two strips of zipper tape.
2. Using basting glue or wash away tape place one bound edge of quilted panel on top of zipper tape edge. Do not cover any zipper teeth.
3. Top stitch along both long edges of binding strip through all layers and zipper tape. Aim for accuracy and go slow if needed. Repeat to attach other bound edge on top of other zipper tape strip. (Make sure zipper teeth are facing up- pretty side of zipper tape)
4. Once both bound ends are topstitched to zipper tape, fold panel together to bring zipper teeth together.
5. Start at one end and slide zipper pull back on and pull through to close zipper and keep sliding to remove it again. Re-slip zipper pull on again on the same end you did before and leave zipper pull in the middle. (**Watch Video 6 for details.**) Then flip tube wrong side out.

### Add handle:

1. Cut 1 strip @ 2" x 7" for handle. Fold and prep just like a double fold binding and topstitch down both long edges.
2. Mark centers of one quilted circle. Place short ends of handle strip on two center marks and baste in place.
3. Look inside tube to see what end the zipper pull is on when it's closed. This is the end the circle with the handle should go on.
4. Place handle panel pretty sides touching on end of bag with zipper pull (when zipper is closed). Make sure to place handle perpendicular to the zipper. (**Watch Video 8 for details.**)
5. Place clips all around and sew with ⅜" seam allowance.
6. Repeat to other end to attach remaining quilted circle. Flip it right side out and press!

That's it! Enjoy your new Mini Barrel Pouch!