

COMFORT BAG – QUILT AS YOU GO

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Cut Fabric

1 piece 22 x 36 lining

12 pieces 2-1/2 x 36 strips for bag

2 pieces 6 x 30 strips for straps

2 pieces 4-1/2 x 22 for top of bag

Batting

1 piece 22 x 36 for inside bag

2 pieces 3 x 30 for straps

2 pieces 4 x 22 for top of bag

Lay lining wrong side up – spread batting on top of lining.

Fold length way in half and press on fold – open and lay flat with batting on top.

Lay first 2-1/2” strip right side up along center pressed fold.

Place next strip on top of that strip with right sides together – stitch ¼” seam on right side of two pieces.

Open and repeat process for that half of the bag.

Turn bag and repeat process for the opposite side of the bag until covered

Trim all sides so it is even on all sides and ends.

Fold straps for handles lengthwise and press in half. Open and lay batting down center of strip and fold remainder of fabric on each side inward, then in half again. Press after folded and then stitch 4 rows to hold together.

Place straps on bag 5” in from each side. Stitch down

Bag top piece and batting – stitch down ¼” on one side and press. Lay across top of bag and stitch in place. Make sure when folded over it will be face up on the inside of the bag. Stitch by machine or hand stitch on inside when seams are completed.

Bottom and inside seams are ½”. Do French seams or if you have a surger you can do that on the side seams. Do gussets on bottom of bag. SMILE, you are done!