

Quilter's Carpet Bag Updates

Pattern No. 2007075

Cutting Guide For Grande Carpet Bag

From Stripe # 1 Cut:

2 {3-1/2" H x 20-1/2" W} Lining For Carpet Bag *Bottom**

From Black Tonal # 1, Cut:

2 {3-1/2" H x 20-1/2" W} Carpet Bag *Bottom**

Cutting Guide For Petite Carpet Bag

From Small Floral Cut:

2 {3-1/2" H x 16-1/2" W} Lining For Carpet Bag *Bottom**

From Black Tonal # 1, Cut:

2 {3-1/2" H x 16-1/2" W} Carpet Bag *Bottom**

* **NOTE:** To easily and consistently make a **perfectly crisp boxed corner**, it is necessary to cut the Bag Bottoms/Linings in two pieces as noted in the cutting guide. *This method eliminates* the need for having to turn the corner while sewing and adjusting for the overlap on corner seam allowances where the bottom meets the side seam, as you would have to do if the bottom strip was cut as a single piece.

Carpet Bag Assembly...See Diagrams C & D

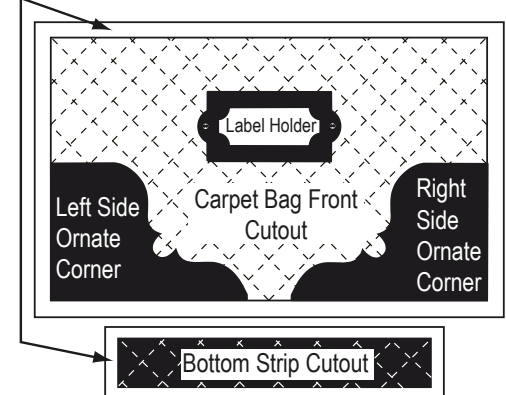
NOTE: Remove fusible web paper backing as you work.

TIP: Use a walking foot and a leather or top stitch needle.

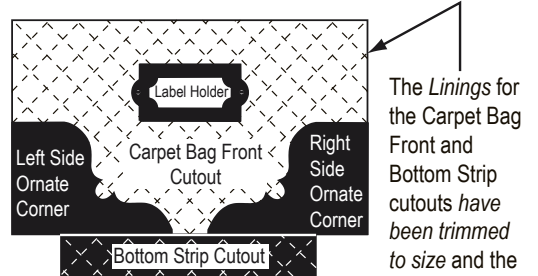
If applicable, set your machine to the leather setting.

1. To adhere the Lining cutouts to the Carpet Bag cutouts, start by laying Lining Front, **right side down**, on a flat work surface and lightly spray the **interfacing** with KK2000.
2. Center and stack the Carpet Bag Front, **right side up**, on top of **interfacing**. **NOTE:** Due to quilting, the Carpet Bag Front has shrunk in size. Trim Lining to the exact same size as the Carpet Bag Front.
3. Repeat Steps 1 and 2 for Carpet Bag Back and *both* Bottom strips.
4. *With right sides together*, center and pin a *quilted and lined* Carpet Bag Bottom strip to the *quilted and lined* Carpet Bag Front. Stitch a seam.
5. To finish the seams, satin stitch. If desired, satin stitch over each seam a second time.
6. Repeat Steps 4 and 5 for Carpet Bag Back.
7. *With right sides together*, pin then sew the bottom and side seams of the *Lined* Carpet Bag Front and Back together. Finish seams with a satin stitch.
8. To form a boxed corner, start by creating the bottom left side of the Carpet Bag, by bringing the side and bottom edges together. Pin then sew a seam.
9. Repeat Step 8 for the right side of the Carpet Bag. Then repeat Step 6.
10. Turn the Carpet Bag right side out and **carefully form the boxed corners and the bottom of the Carpet Bag with your fingers and an iron.**

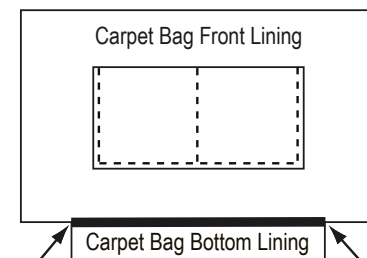
The **Interfaced** side of Lining cutouts



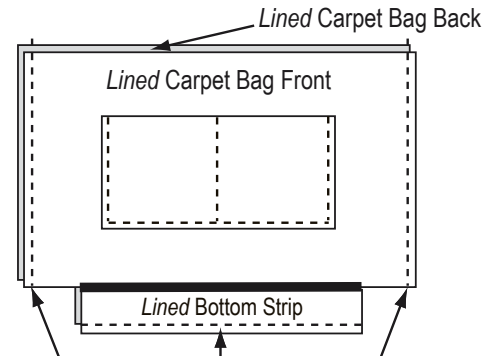
Center and stack the Carpet Bag Front/Back and Bottom Strip cutouts, right side up, on top of **interfacing** for Lining cutouts. **Trim interfaced Lining to exact size...** See continuing diagram below.



The **Linings** for the Carpet Bag Front and Bottom Strip cutouts *have been trimmed to size* and the Bottom Strip has been sewn onto the Carpet Bag Front. Repeat this for Carpet Bag Back.



View of the **Lining Side** of Carpet Bag Front with finished satin stitched seam.



With right sides together, pin then sew the bottom and side seams of *Lined* Carpet Bag Front and Back together. Finish seams with one or two rows of satin stitching.

Diagram C: Carpet Bag Assembly

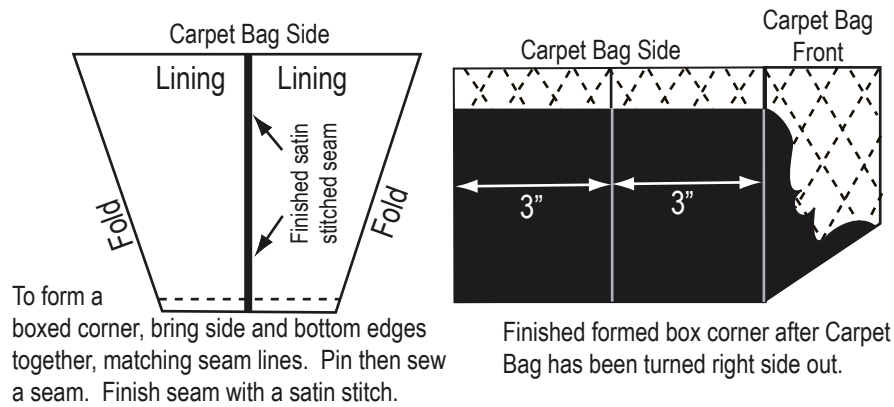


Diagram D: Forming A Boxed Corner

Adding Binding To Carpet Bag:

1. With wrong sides together, fold binding in half lengthwise and press.
2. Starting at the *right-hand side seam* and ending at the Carpet Bag Back, align and pin the *raw edge of the Binding* to the *top raw edges of Lining* for Carpet Bag Front and Back. For a finished edge on the Binding, cut Binding 2" longer than needed. Fold the ending edge under by a 1/2" or so and sandwich the beginning edge inside ending edge. Stitch the Binding to the Tote/Purse with a 1/4" seam. **Note:** The binding will lay on top of the the Zipper Strips *which are not shown in the diagram*.
3. Flip the folded edge of the binding *out of the Lining* and up over to the outside of the Carpet Bag Front and Back. Whip stitch binding in place.
4. Bring ribbons up over binding and securely stitch ribbons to binding thru all layers. Thread the ribbons thru the holes in the Handles. Tie the ribbons tightly into bows.