

Notebook Cases+
(for 7" x 11" or larger hoops)
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List of supplies & fabric cutting instructions provided with orders. Follow steps in order listed below!

STEP 1 – NOTEBOOK SLEEVE



1 - Add fusible tape on wrong side at edge of 3 1/2" wide piece and top edge of 6" high piece. Fold tape at inside edge on 6" piece & iron to crease fold. Remove paper backing and iron to fuse fold.



2 – Rub glue stick at corners on wrong side of 6" piece. Center over larger piece even with the bottom. This will become a pocket for coupons!

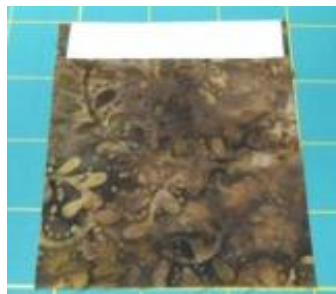


3 – Place narrower fabric wrong side up over ensemble even with left side and stitch with 3/8" seam. .



4 – Remove paper backing. Fold fabric around flat seam to back & iron to fuse Top stitch bound edge close to seam.

STEP 2 – DEBIT/CREDIT CARD SLEEVE



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5 – Sleeves - Fuse strips of paper backed fusible tape to edge of 3 1/4" wide top on all 4 sleeve pieces

6 – Fold fabric at inside edge of fusible tape & iron to crease. Remove paper backing and iron to fuse folds.

Mark faint lines 3/4" down from top of all four sleeves (marks will be used to space sleeves evenly)

7 - On base front, mark faint line across fabric 2 1/4" down from the 3 1/4" wide top. On wrong side of sleeve rub glue stick at corners. Flip sleeve to right side & place at 2 1/4" line on base fabric, press to set glue. Stitch across bottom of sleeve piece with 1/4" seam. Add remaining sleeves in same manner using 3/4" marks on sleeves to space them evenly.



Wrapping fabric around a flat seam creates bound edge!



9 - Add interfaced "side" strip to left side of sleeve ensemble, stitch with 3/8" seam. Flip strip to right side and press seam flat. Top stitch close to seams on both sides of ensemble.

8 - On wrong side of 2nd piece of base fabric, add fusible tape strip even with edge on left side. Pin fabric to sleeve ensemble on right side and stitch with 3/8" seam. Remove paper backing, flip fabric around flat seam to the back and iron to fuse.

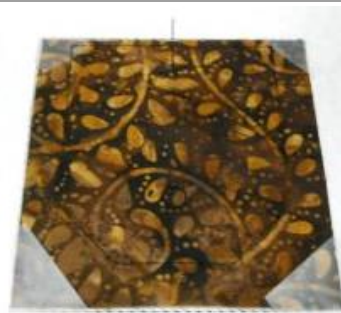


Both finished sleeves for the notebook case!

STEP 3 – TAB CLOSURE



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10 - Add fusible interfacing to wrong side of tab fabric pieces even with 3 sides so 1 edge has 1/2' of fabric with no interfacing.

11 - Stitch outline on stabilizer only. Center fabric right side up inside outline with non-interfaced edge at the top. Tape corners.



12. Next step tacks fabric down & stitches a small rectangle for Velcro placement or a small circle for snap placement.



13 - Rub glue stick on wrong side of the "soft" Velcro piece & center inside outline. Next step tacks Velcro down. (For snaps, skip this step)



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14 - Center last piece of interfaced fabric wrong side up inside outline. Tape corners. Last step stitches back fabric down.

15 - Remove from hoop, trim 1/4" seams at sides & angled bottom. Do not trim raw edge at the top! Notch corners for turning.

16 - Turn tab right side out and press. Top stitch edge with 1/4" seams. DO NOT install snap on snap tab closure yet!

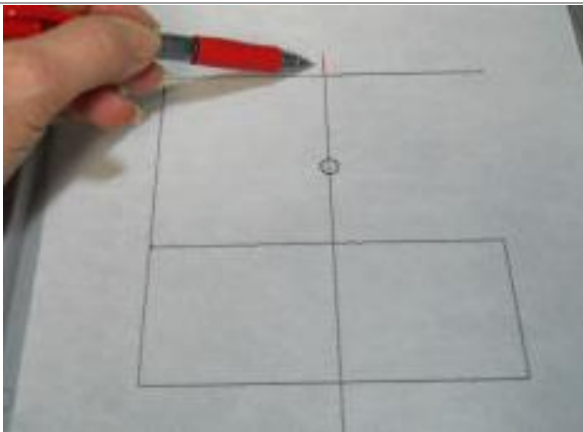
STEP 4 – NOTEBOOK CASE



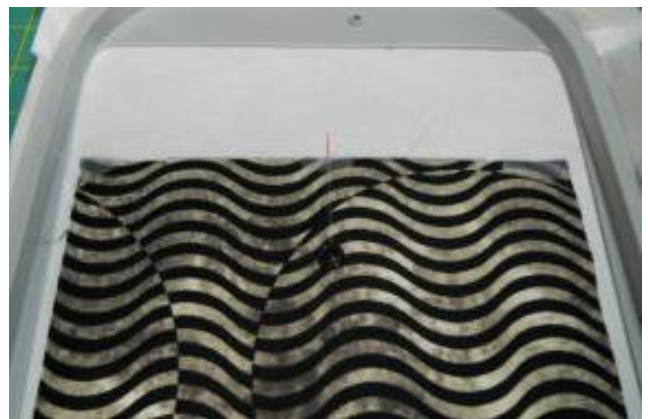
17 - On right side of case fabric mark a short line on the edge centered between sides. Make center mark line on one end 2" long. And measure 1 3/4" from edge to make + cross mark for snap placement. Center fusible fleece on wrong side and iron to fuse.



18 – Install first half of the snap over + mark. (part that snaps to other half of snap goes on right side)



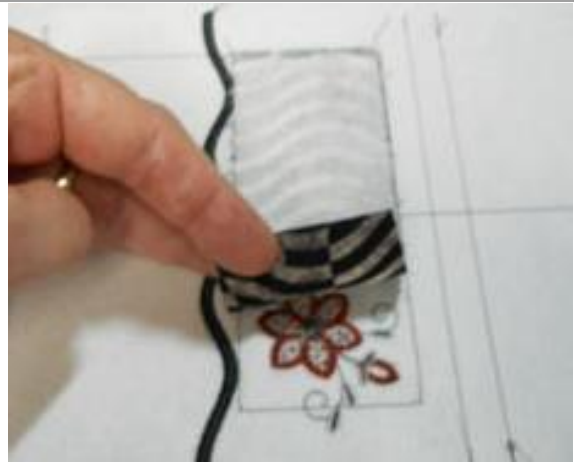
19 – Stitch placement lines on stabilizer. Extend vertical line at the top by marking a short line above the horizontal line. Also make vertical line 1" longer at the bottom of the hoop as well. Spray area with temporary adhesive spray.



20 – Center top of fabric in hoop even with horizontal placement line (snap at top) keeping center marks on fabric & stabilizer even with each other. Tape fabric at corners and the middle on both sides. Put hoop on machine.



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21 – Stitch design following instructions in text file provided. When instructed, remove hoop and place on flat surface. Use sharp seam ripper to cut slit in buttonhole. Hold fabric down while cutting to avoid moving or disturbing stabilizer in hoop.
 22 - Flip hoop over, center interfaced fabric strip wrong side up inside small rectangle. Tape corners, put hoop on machine.

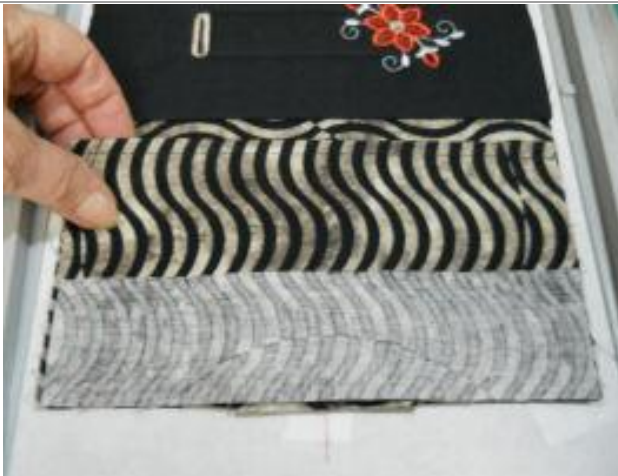


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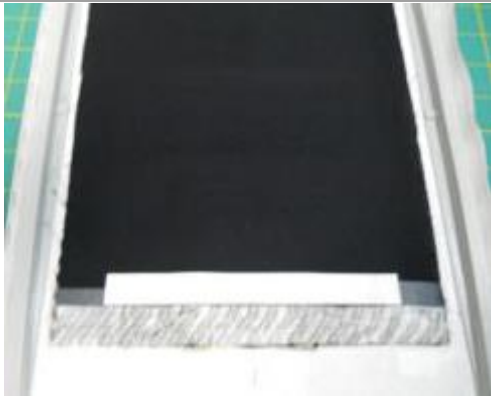
25. Next step stitches pen slot outline that secures 4" fabric strip underneath.
 26. Center tab closure inside baste stitches outline stitched earlier at bottom of fabric . Tape sides to secure.



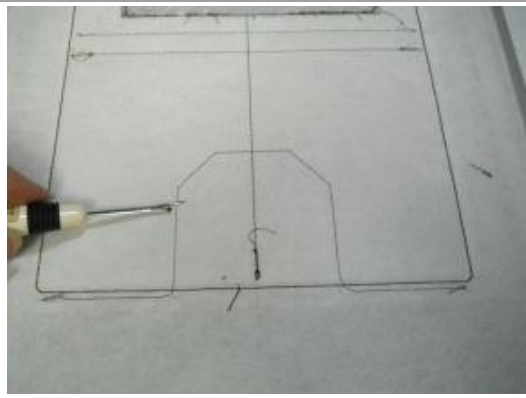
27 - Next, center Notebook sleeve WRONG SIDE UP even with BOTTOM of fabric in hoop (bound sleeve edge to middle of hoop. (covers tab closure). Tape to secure.



28 - Center debit/credit sleeve WRONG SIDE UP even with TOP of fabric in hoop (bound sleeve edge to middle). Tape to secure.



29 - Lining –one wrong side add fusible tape on edge of a short side. Center lining WRONG SIDE UP even with top of fabric in hoop and fusible tape at bottom. Lining is 1" shorter at the bottom to leave an opening for turning.



30 – Last step stitches case outline (makes 2 passes). Remove hoop from machine keeping project in hoop. Flip hoop over and remove baste stitched outline that was used for the tab closure placement.



31 – Now remove project from hoop and trim the fabric and stabilizer on all sides leaving ¼" seams Trim the corners at a 45 degree angle for turning.



32 – Turn case right side out. Remove paper backing on lining. Maneuver until edges are even & lining is flat under sleeve. Iron to set edges. Top stitch around case with ¼" seams. Install last half of snap on tab closure and you're finished!



33. Front of case with debit/credit sleeve and 4x6 notebook.



Back of case with coupon pocket!

Regular pens/pencils will work but I found the BIC mechanical pencils that are perfect!
 BIC Round Stic GRIP mechanical pencil (Item # 41225)

