

Small Fabric Bucket Pattern

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I love functional pieces, especially if they're cute! This small fabric bucket is a pretty and practical piece that will hold all sort of things. Great for holding notions and gadgets, it would also be perfect for toiletries, small office supplies, snacks and more! Makes a great gift when filled with special treats.

- *Please read through entire pattern before beginning.
- *This pattern is for personal use only and is not to be sold.

Supplies:

Fat Quarter cotton fabric for outer

Fat Quarter cotton fabric for lining

Fat Quarter cotton batting

Fat Quarter of heavy-weight fusible interfacing (Pellon's Decor Bond 809)

Fat Quarter of light-weight fusible interfacing (Pellon's Shape Flex SF101)

rotary supplies & coordinating thread

Cutting:

- (2) 8" x 10" of outer fabric
- (2) 9.5" x 10" of lining fabric
- (2) 10" x 12" batting pieces (OR (2) 8" x 10" Thermolam pieces. Use one or the other.)
- (2) 7.5" x 9.5" Decor Bond pieces
- (2) 9.5" x 10" Shape Flex pieces
 - NOTE: If using a directional print on the lining, it will be upside down when you fold it over to create the band. I recommend choosing a non-directional print for the lining.
 - *If you use Thermolam instead of batting, you do not need Decor Bond.

Bucket Assembly:

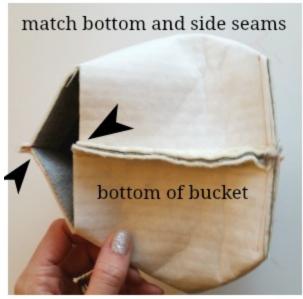
- 1. Center the outer fabric panels on the batting and quilt as desired. *If adding embroidery details, now is the time to do that.*
- Trim excess batting. Place panels right sides down on ironing board. Center Decor Bond on the batting, lining up the top edges. Fuse onto the batting according to manufacturer's directions. Set aside.
- 3. Place lining panels right side down on the ironing board. Fuse Shape Flex on the wrong side of the lining panels.
- 4. Mark a 2.5" x 2.5" square on the wrong side of the bottom corners of both the lining and outer panels.
- 5. Cut away the 2.5" x 2.5" square from each bottom corner.
- 6. Take the two **outer panels** and place them right sides together. Pin. **Sew with a ¼" SA** along both sides and across the bottom, backstitching at the beginning and ends. **Repeat for the lining panels but sew with a scant ¾" SA for the lining panels.**

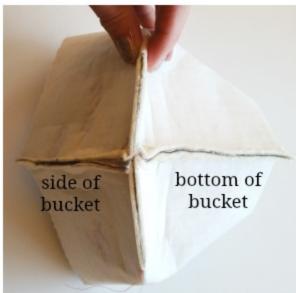
^{*}optional (2) 2.5" x 10" strips of accent fabric

^{*}optional to use a Fat Quarter of Pellon's Fusible Thermolam TP971F instead of batting and Decor Bond.

^{*}optional but helpful, a walking foot

^{*}optional- embroidery supplies





- 7. To make the bucket sit flat, pinch the bottom and sides together. Line up the seams and sew with a ¼" SA, backstitching at the beginning and end.
- 8. Trim the seam allowance to reduce bulk.
- 9. Turn the outer bucket right side out. Poke out the corners.
- 10. Place the lining inside the outer shell, wrong sides together.
- 11. Fold the lining down until the raw edges meet. Fold again over the side of the outer bucket and pin or clip in place.
- 12. Topstitch along the bottom edge of the fold with a 1/8" SA, backstitching at the beginning and end.

To make a bucket with the accent strip:

Create the outer panels by using the following measurements:

- A. (2) 2" x 10" solid fabric
- B. (2) 2.5" x 10" print/accent fabric
- C. (2) 4.5" x 10" solid fabric
- 2. Sew piece A to piece B with a 1/4" SA. Press seams.
- 3. Sew piece C to the bottom of piece AB with a 1/4" SA. Press seams.
- 4. Repeat for other outer panel.
- 4. Follow assembly directions above. *Be sure to line up accent fabric when sewing outer panels together.

Enjoy your new bucket!

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