

Simple Stylish Tote Class List

Please read through these instructions completely before starting.

Use this **SUPPLY LIST** instead of the one in the pattern:

1 yard fabric for exterior of bag
1 yard fabric for interior of bag
1/3 yard fabric for contrast bottom
1 yard of heavy stabilizer ([Pellon 70](#))
Closed cell foam 3-1/2" x 13-1/4" (I use 3/16" to 1/4" thick- see footnote 1 in pattern)
3 yards of 1-1/4" heavy duty cotton webbing (minimum width is 1 inch, nylon webbing is also okay)
1 - 7 inch zipper
One 3/4 inch magnetic snap
Six beads with openings big enough to feed thin tube of fabric through (apx 1/4 inch)
Hand sewing needle
Thread that matches the webbing and the bottom (trim) of bag; you might need more than 1 color
Fabric marker (pen, pencil, or chalk)
Tape measure or ruler with 1/4 inch markings
Pins
Sewing machine in good working order
Basic sewing supplies
Bring all of your leftover fabric and interfacing
Printed pattern, see information at bottom of this list

Use these **CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS** instead of the ones in the pattern:

From outside fabric:

Body – 1 piece, 15 wide x 25-1/2 long. If you are using one way fabric, cut 2 pieces, 15 wide x 13 1/4 long. Sew along **BOTTOM** using 1/2 inch seam allowance. (You will end up with one piece that measures 15 wide x 25-1/2 long.)

Sides – 2 pieces, 4-1/2 wide x 11-1/2 long.

Exterior pocket – 1 piece, 8-1/2 wide x 7 long.

Pouch pocket lining – 1 piece, 10 wide x 9 long.

From inside fabric:

Body – 1 piece, 18-1/2 wide x 25 long

Pouch Pocket – 1 piece, 10 wide x 8 long

Zipper pocket – 2 pieces, 9 x 9

Zipper pocket facing – 1 piece, 10 wide x 3 long

Exterior pocket lining, 1 piece, 8-1/2 wide x 8 long (can be cut on bias if you like that look)

Top trim – 1 piece, 2-1/2 wide x 40 long (cutting on bias gives best results but requires more fabric)

Dangles – 3 pieces, 1 wide x 20 long

Foam cover – 1 piece, 9 wide x 16 long (can be cut from any fabric)

From trim fabric (bottom of bag):

Bottom – 1 piece, 15 wide x 10-1/2 long.

Sides – 2 pieces, 4-1/2 wide x 4 long.

From Pellon 70:

Body – 1 piece, 14-1/2 wide x 25 long. **Center on wrong side of outside body piece and baste along the very edge of interfacing. Do this before class time.**

Sides – 2 pieces, 4 wide x 11 long. **Center on wrong side of each side and baste along the very edge of interfacing. Do this before class time.**

Exterior pocket – 1 piece, 8-1/2 wide x 7 long. **(no basting)**

Preparation (before class):

Cut all pieces before class. Rotary cutting is recommended for precise measurements.

Baste Pellon 70 to outside of bag and side panels.

Many of the pieces are similar in size and color. Please label all pieces and stack them in this order so they will be easy to find when it is time to use them. The pieces listed first will be on the top of the pile, those listed last will be on the bottom:

- Exterior pocket
- Exterior pocket lining
- Exterior pocket interfacing (pellon 70)
- Outside of bag with pellon basted to it
- Bottom trim for outside of bag
- Webbing
- Side pieces with pellon basted to them
- Side trim for side pieces
- Foam
- Foam cover
- 7 inch zipper
- Zipper pocket pieces (2)
- Zipper facing
- Inside lining of bag
- Pouch pocket pieces (2, these are cut from 2 different fabrics)
- Top trim
- Magnetic snap
- Dangles

Where to get your free pattern (needed for class):

We will be using a **modified** version of this free pattern: - Go to the website www.JCAROLINECREATIVE.COM and click on the “how-to’s” section in the green area at the top of the page. Scroll down to the tote bag section and click on the one with the word “new” next to it. The pattern is 14 pages long and contains many color pictures. Please have it printed before class. Lakeshore **will not** be able to print these out for you.

