

Row House Tote

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Featuring the Flourish Collection by Mia Whittmore
Size: 12" x 12" x 6"



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PROJECT










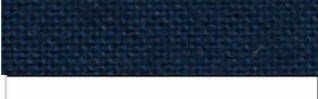

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The Row House Tote Bag was inspired by Sarah Fielke's Little City Project Tote Bag, available as a pattern at sarahfielke.com, go to shop patterns.

FABRIC	SKU NUMBER	YARDAGE
	43513-4 Blue	1/4
	43508-1 White	1/8
	43509-5 Green	1/3
	43512-3 Berry	Fat 1/8
	43512-4 Blue	Fat 1/8
	43513-3 Berry	Fat 1/8
	43512-2 Yellow	Fat 1/8
	43511-5 Green	1
	37098-62 Marionberry	FQ
	37098-64 Indigo	1/8 or F1/8
	31835S White Solid	1/8 or F1/8

Additional Requirements:

- 1 sheet of Steam-A-Seam 2®- 2 sided fusible web or 2 sided fusible web of your choice
- Bosal In-R-Form Single Sided Fusible Foam Stabilizer
- Optional: Embroidery floss in a light grey or color of your choice for window panes

Special Notes:

- All seam allowances are 1/4" wide
- Make sure you take your time to cut and sew carefully. With all items that have lots of piecing, your project can very easily become too small / large and you will have trouble later attaching pieces to make the correct size.



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Cutting:

43513-4 Blue Herringbone

Cut (2) 17 1/2" x 7 1/2" for tote bottom

43508-1 White Tossed Pots

Cut (8) triangles following triangle template A for house roof

43509-5 Green Flower

Cut (12) 2 1/2" x 4 1/2" rectangles

Cut (4) 3 1/2" x 4 1/2" rectangles for sides at seams

Cut (2) 4 1/2" x 22" strips for handles

43512-3 Berry Plaid

Cut (2) 4 1/4" x 6 1/2" rectangles for house

43512-4 Blue Plaid

Cut (2) 4 1/4" x 6 1/2" rectangles for house

43513-3 Berry Herringbone

Cut (2) 4 1/4" x 6 1/2" rectangles for house

43512-2 Yellow Plaid

Cut (2) 4 1/4" x 6 1/2" rectangles for house

43511-5 Green Gumdrops

Cut (2) 17 1/2" x 16 1/4" rectangles for lining

Cut (1) 8 1/2" x 14" rectangle for inside pocket

37098-62 Marionberry Solid (from Palette)

Cut (16) 7/8" x 4 1/2" long strips for house roof trim

37098-64 Indigo Solid (from Palette)

Cut (8) 1 1/2" x 2 1/2" rectangles for house doors

Cut (16) 3/4" x 1 1/4" rectangles for house windows

31835S White Solid

Cut (4) 2" x 6 1/2" rectangles for tote sides

Bosal Foam Stabilizer

Cut (2) 17 1/2" x 15 1/2" for tote body

Cut (2) 1 1/2" x 21" strips for handles

2 Sided Webbing

Cut (8) 1 1/2" x 2 1/2" rectangles for house doors

Cut (16) 3/4" x 1 1/4" rectangles for house windows





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Assembly:

1. With right sides together, sew one set of the house rectangles together following the placement as shown in the tote picture. Add a strip of the white solid to the right side and then to the left side. Trim to 17 1/2" making sure each white strip is the same width on each side after trimming. Press flat. You can decide if you would like the seams pressed open or in one direction. Repeat for the other side. *Diagram 1*

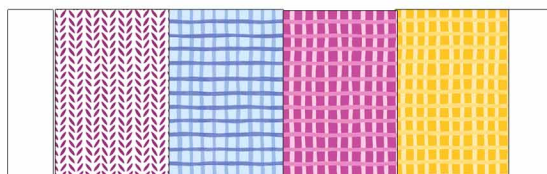
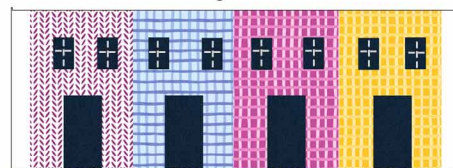


Diagram 1

2. Adhere the doors and windows to the 2-sided webbing following manufacturer's recommended instructions. Cut out and place windows and doors onto each house. Press in place. With matching thread and a tight zigzag or desired stitch, stitch around each door and window to attach permanently in place.

Diagram 2

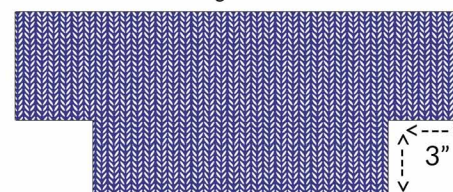
3. At this time you can embroider the window panels onto the windows using a backstitch or stitch of your choice. *Diagram 2*



4. Cut a 3" square out of each bottom corner of the tote bottom. *Diagram 3*
Repeat for the other side.

Diagram 3

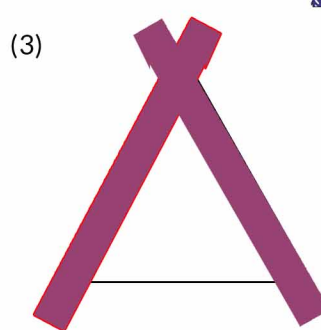
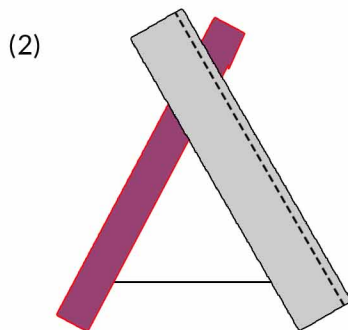
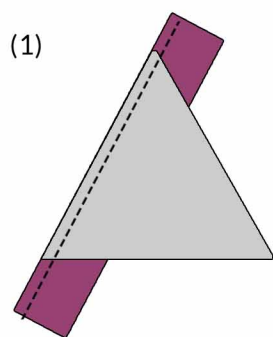
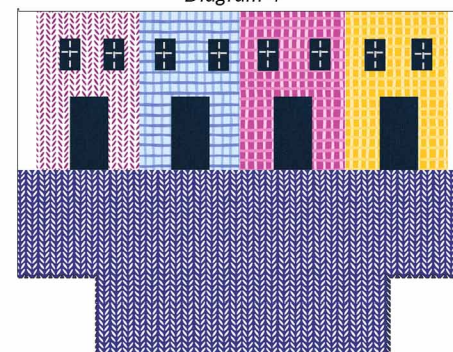
5. With right sides together, sew the bottom to the row of houses.
Press seam allowance toward the bottom. *Diagram 4*



Roof tops

6. Take (1) triangle and (1) solid strip with right sides together, center the triangle on the strip and stitch on long side. Press flat. Step (1)
7. Take the other strip and with right sides together, sew to the other side of the triangle. Step (2)
8. Press flat. Step (3)

Diagram 4

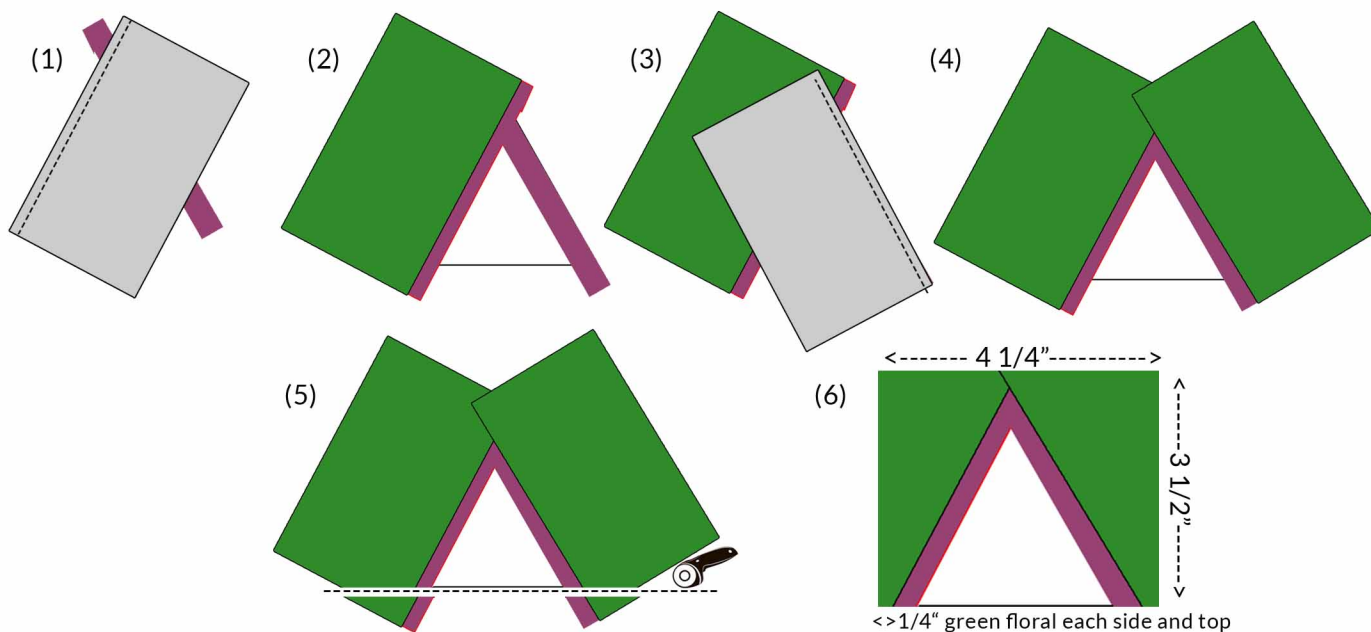




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9. Take (1) green floral rectangle and with right sides together, place over triangle and line up ends with the solid strip on each side of the triangle center. Step (1) Press seam flat. Step (2)
10. Take another green floral rectangle and repeat the same steps on the opposite side of the triangle. Step (3) Press seam flat. Step (4)



11. Cut the corners that extend beyond the bottom of triangle middle as shown in Step (5). It is important that the finished rectangle has 1/4" seam allowance at each bottom edge and at the top. It should measure 4 1/4" wide X 3 1/2" high. Step (6)



12. Repeat for a total of (4) triangle points. For the last (4) triangles, you will add a 2 1/2" green floral rectangle on one side and a 3 1/2" strip on the other; (2) triangles with the 3 1/2" stripe on the left side and (2) triangles on the right side. These will be added to each side of the strip of (2) triangles for each side. You will true up the sides once they have been positioned over the houses. Step (7)
13. Add the triangle roof top strip to the top of the houses, lining up the roof with the house. True up the sides to line up with the sides of the tote.
14. Take one side of the the tote and adhere the foam stablizer; follow the manufacturer's instructions - <http://www.bosalonline.com/in-r-form-instructions>. Repeat for the other side.





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Tote Outside:

15. With right sides together, join the side and bottom seams. Press seams flat.

Diagram 5

16. Pinch the bottom corner opening together matching seams and stitch closed.

Diagram 6

Repeat for the other side. Turn and Press.

Pocket and Lining:

17. With right sides together, fold the pocket in half. 1/4" stitch around the 3 open sides leaving a small opening on one side to turn. Clip seam allowance at corners, turn and press flat. *Diagram 7*

18. Place pocket on one side of the lining 3" from the top edge and centered between each side. Edge stitch around the sides and bottom reinforcing the top corners. *Diagram 8*

19. With right sides together, stitch the lining side and bottom seams closed as instructed in Diagram 5. Leave a 4" opening on one side seam to later turn the lining right side out when joined to tote face.

20. Closed bottom corners of lining same as instructed for tote face in Diagram 6. Press seams flat and set aside.

Handles:

21. Take one handle strip and one foam stabilizer - center the stabilizer on the wrong side of the fabric strip and adhere. You will have space at the top, bottom and sides of the fabric strip that has no stabilizer. *Diagram 9*

22. Fold up short ends over the stabilizer and press. *Diagram 10*

23. On one long edge, fold 1/4" toward wrong side and press. Fold the other side over the stabilizer and press, then fold the other side over it. Press. *Diagram 11*

24. Place a mark 3" from each end. Fold the handle in half and stitch closed using an edge stitch from 3" mark to 3" mark. *Diagram 12*

Diagram 5

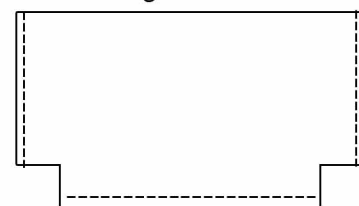


Diagram 6

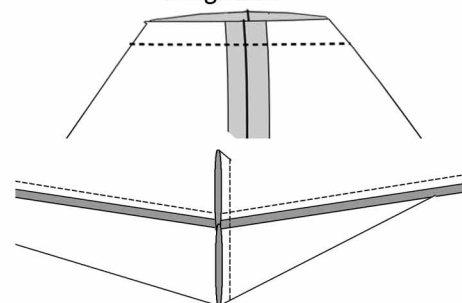


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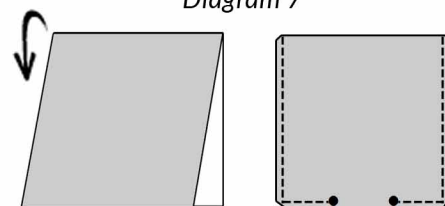


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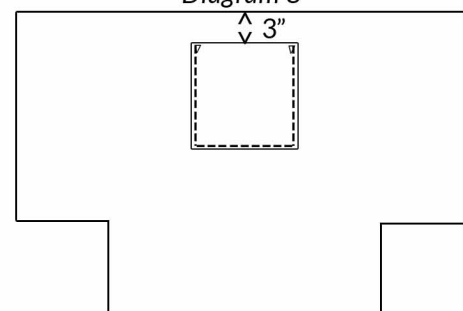


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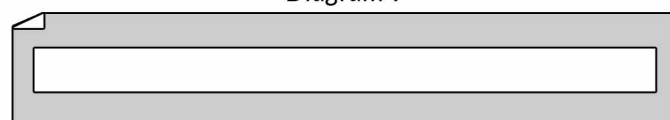


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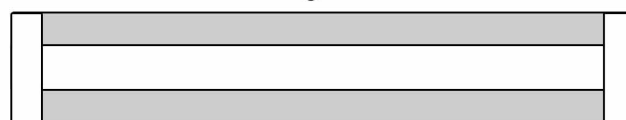


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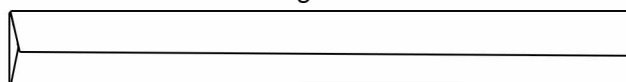
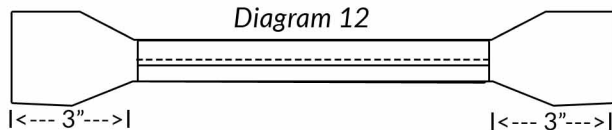


Diagram 12





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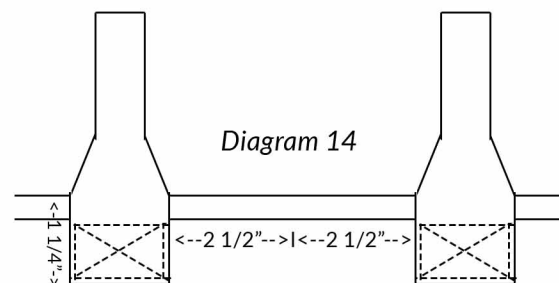
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25. With the wrong side of the tote facing out, place the lining with right sides together into the tote. Carefully pin or base around the top edge of tote. Then machine stitch top opening closed.
26. Turn the tote to the right side by carefully pulling through the opening in the lining. Machine edge stitch side seam opening closed.
27. Press top edge of tote flat. This time, rather than turning the seam allowance into the tote and pressing on the seam line, you are going to leave the seam allowance up and press the lining inside with 1/4" seam allowance staying up so you have a 1/4" of lining at the top of the tote outside that looks like a piping. Stitch top edge on the seam line (stitch in the ditch) to hold lining in place. *Diagram 13*
28. Press all seams flat. Hand tack the lining to the bottom of the bag at the 4 corners.
29. Mark the center of the tote on each side. Place a second mark 2 1/2" from the center in each direction. Starting on one side, place the handle end on the bag 1 1/4" from the top edge. Stitch a box and then stitch an 'X' in the center as shown. *Diagram 14*
30. Repeat for the other side of the handle, watching to be sure handle is not twisted. Repeat for the other side of the tote. Your tote is FINISHED.

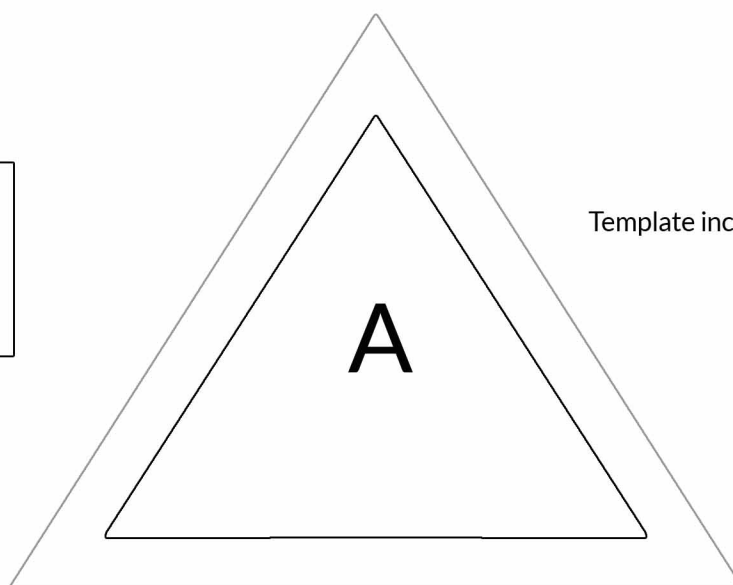
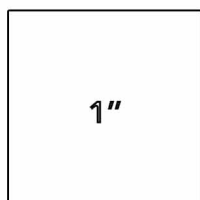
Diagram 13



Diagram 14



TRIANGLE TEMPLATE A



Template includes seam allowance