

# The Improv Crossbody Bag Project

Cutting Diagram & Written Instructions

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## You will need :

Assorted fabric scraps  
Fabric A : 1 Fat Quarter or 3/8 yard  
Fabric B : 5/8 yard  
(based on 44" wide cotton quilting fabric)



Finished Bag Measurements : Approx. 11 1/2" x 10 1/2" x 1 1/2"  
Seam Allowances are 1/2" unless otherwise noted  
Please refer to the instructions and watch the full video tutorial for detailed demonstration.

Quilt Batting 13" x 7"

Fusible Fleece 24" x 10" <https://amzn.to/2Zj8wQu>

all purpose zipper (at least 12" long) <https://amzn.to/2BU4KV6>

6" long all purpose zipper <https://amzn.to/38NKHUd>

1 Set of Magnetic Snap Closure <https://amzn.to/3gRyYXp>

1" wide webbing Strap 60" long <https://amzn.to/2WaTquD>

1" D- Rings (2x) <https://amzn.to/304ZAxx>

1" Adjustable slider <https://amzn.to/304ZAxx>

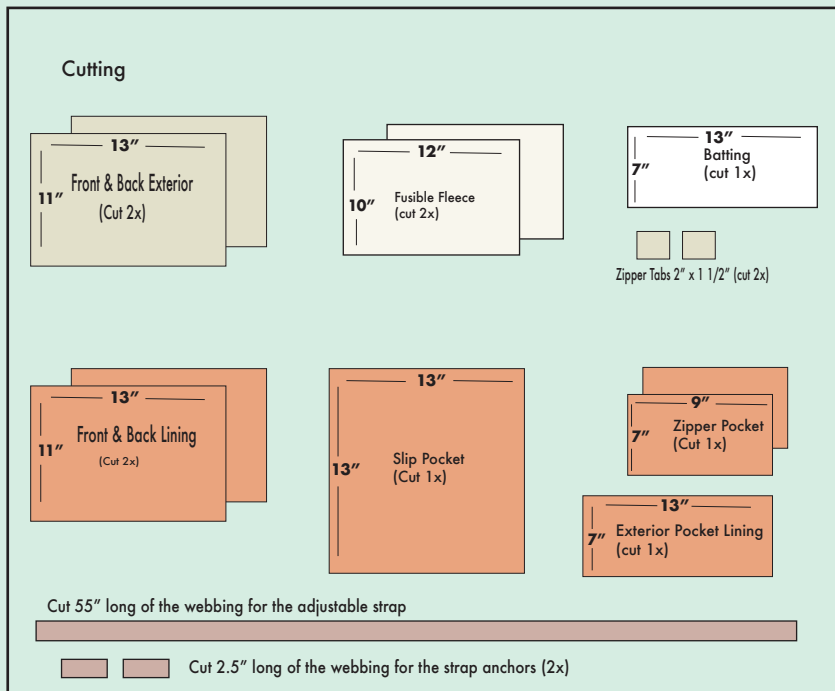
1" Swivel Hook (2x) <https://amzn.to/304ZAxx>

1/2" wide double fold bias tape (28" long) <https://amzn.to/3gSnv9Y>

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## Watch the video tutorial :

[https://youtu.be/y\\_J67YmjcX0](https://youtu.be/y_J67YmjcX0)



## Directions

(these are brief instructions, please refer to the video tutorial for full demonstration)

### Preparation

1. Referring to the cutting diagram above, cut all the required fabric pieces.
2. Apply Fusible Fleece to the wrong side of the front and back exterior piece (center the position)

### Bag Exterior

1. To make the front exterior pocket, sew your fabric scraps on the batting in improv style, until the entire batting is covered with fabric. Trim excess fabric.



Example of the improv pieced block

2. Measure and mark 1 1/2" down from the top center of the front exterior pocket lining, install the male magnetic snap on the 1 1/2" point mark.
3. Lay the front exterior pocket and the front exterior pocket lining piece wrong sides together, bind the top and bottom edges with bias tape.

4. Lay the front pocket piece on the right side of the front exterior piece, 2.5" down from the top. Mark the position of the hook of the male magnetic snap on the right side of the front exterior piece; remove the front pocket piece, then install the female magnetic snap on that mark.
5. Lay the front pocket piece back to the exterior piece, matching the magnetic snap closure, sew the sides and the bottom of the pocket to secure it to the front exterior piece.

#### Bag Interior

1. Fold the slip pocket piece in half, right sides together, sew with 1/4" seam allowance.
2. Turn the slip pocket piece inside out press, topstitch along the top edges.
3. Install the slip pocket to the right side of the front lining piece.
4. Sew the zipper pocket to the back lining piece. Watch the tutorial here : [http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=\\_c30XQaCIR4&t=843](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_c30XQaCIR4&t=843)

#### Strap, Zipper, Assembling the bag

1. Install the strap anchors to the right side of the back exterior piece.
2. Sew the adjustable strap. Watch the tutorial here [https://youtu.be/5gXCuaj5b\\_4?t=2334](https://youtu.be/5gXCuaj5b_4?t=2334)
2. Trim the zipper to measure 12" long from one end to another end.
3. Sew the zipper tabs to both ends of the zipper.
4. Install the zipper closure.
5. Assemble the bag following the video demonstration, leave about 4-5" of opening at the bottom of the lining (make sure to unzip the zipper at least halfway)
6. Open the bottom corner of the bag (matching the bottom and side seams), sew 3/4" from the tip of the corner, to create the depth of the bag repeat the same to all corners (including the lining), trim off the excess fabric.
7. Turn the bag inside out through the opening hole.
8. Attach the adjustable strap.
9. Enjoy!

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