

HANGING TRAVEL LAUNDRY BAG

SUPPLIES

General Sewing Supplies

Glue stick or basting spray

Martelli Templates and Rulers

Martelli Hanger Cover template

Martelli 4"x24" Skini-Mini Ruler

Martelli 1"x6" Mini Skini Mini Ruler

Quilted sandwich

Fabric 1 – 19"x21" - Outside

Fabric 2 – 19"x21" -Lining

Fusible batting 19"x21"

Mesh fabric 30"x60"

Snaps - 1 or 2 sets (optional)

CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS

Cut from Fabric 1, two (2) strips of fabric 4"x21" for bindings

Cut Fabric 1, Fabric 2 and fusible batting all to 19"x21" for the quilted top of the bag

Cut Mesh fabric to 19"x30" Cut 3 panels

ASSEMBLING THE TOPPER

Sandwich the 19"x21" piece of fusible batting between Fabric 1 and Fabric 2. Press fusible side of batting to wrong side of Fabric 1. Quilt as desired. Cut out two (2) topper panels by folding the quilted piece in half so that it measures 10 ½"x19". NOTE: There is one side of the template marked FOLD. Place the template with the fold side on the fold of the fabric and cut two (2) topper panels.

If you would prefer to do ruler or grid quilting, follow these instructions.

From Fabric 1, Fabric 2 and the batting, cut out a topper piece using the Hanger Cover template. Fold each fabric and the batting into a rectangles measuring 10 ½"x19". Place the side of the template marked fold on the fold of the fabric. Cut two (2) topper panels from each fabric and the batting. Fuse Fabric 1 to the batting. Starting at the top point, draw a line to the center of the bottom of the panel. This will be your focal point for a grid or ruler quilting. I draw lines 1" apart from the top edge of each side of the point, continuing to the bottom. Those are the lines I sew on. After quilting is completed, use a glue stick or fusible spray and add Fabric 2, the lining, to the sandwich. Sew a seam around all sides of this sandwich, a scant 1/4" seam or a seam slightly smaller than a ¼" seam for our non-quilters friends. This will secure and 3 layers together.

SERGE the bottom of each topper panel to finish the edge. If you want to add a snap to secure the finished laundry bag, now is the time to add the snap. If adding 1 snap, mark the center of each topper panel, 1" from the bottom edge. Affix the snap. If using 2 snaps, carefully measure and mark the snap placements and affix the snaps.

SERGE the top of both sides of the pointed top. Fold the pointed area of the toppers down 1" and topstitch. Make sure the topstitching is the same on both toppers so that the top seams will be the same length.

ADDING THE MESH TO THE TOPPER

Take one (1) mesh panel (19"x30") and sew it the bottom of one quilted panel. Sew a ¼" seam. Finger press the seam toward the panel and topstitch. This will be the center divider of the bag. Set aside.

For the remaining two (2) mesh panels, we will be adding a 1" binding strips to the top edge of each panel. Fold the 4"x21" strips of Fabric 1 in half lengthwise and press. Then fold the raw edges inside the folded strip, meeting them at the pressed fold line and press the strip once again. Now the binding strip is 1"x21". Pin or clip the binding strip to the top edge of the mesh panel. Topstitch ¼" from the open side of the binding. Repeat with remaining mesh panel.

LAYERING OF THE MESH PANELS AND THE TOPPER

1. Topper with mesh attached, right side up
2. Layer mesh panel with binding on top of topper with mesh attached, overlapping the mesh seam. Repeat with remaining mesh panel. Sew binding area only of the mesh panels together.
3. Finish the layering by adding the remaining topper, right side down. Clip the layers together. Match the two top seams together. Sew ¼" seam.

Sew across the top seams and then the side seams of both the topper and the mesh panels. The bottom of the mesh will not be even. Carefully cut off the bottom of the mesh to make them even. Sew a seam.

SERGE AROUND ALL SIDES. Reach inside the mesh, between the mesh panels that have binding on the top. Push out the corners of the mesh. Turn right side out, the topper without mesh attached. Push out the corners of the topper. Insert a hanger in the topper, close the snap. You are all DONE!!!!