

Travel Bag Double Hitter, 2 Supply Lists By Gail Reinke

Stowaway bag: I'm going to demonstrate using the "Sassy" bag of the Atkinson Designs Stowaway small bags pattern. The pattern includes 6 sizes.

Yardage makes 2 -3 bags:

- Print - 1 fat quarter (18" x 21") choose a small to medium print.
- Contrast - 1 fat quarter (18" x 21") choose a small or tone on tone print.
- Fusible fleece 1/3 yd. (need about 10" x 21")
 - Use Pellon 987F or Bosal 426 or something comparable

Notions and Tools:

- 3 - 14" zippers
- Thread to match print and contrast fabrics
- Clover wonder clips or pins
- Rotary cutter, mat, and ruler
- Sewing machine, with walking foot, and zipper foot

Garment Bag:

This garment bag can be made any size you wish. The pattern is discontinued so I will provide the cutting and sewing instructions. You need three things to make this bag; fabric, a zipper, and ½" wide Extra Wide Double Fold Bias Tape. I'm going to give a bit of information about each:

I usually use Home Decorating fabric because it is 54" wide and you can cut the back and front pieces out of one cut of fabric plus it is a heavier weight than quilting weight fabric. I usually buy my garment bag fabric on the sale tables at Joanne's or I use my scraps from another project. If you use 44" wide quilting weight fabric you will need to double the amount of fabric.

You will need a long zipper, basically the same length as your garment bag. I happen to have 15 long upholstery zippers. They have beige zipper tape and metal zipper teeth but will work perfectly for this project and they are free for the taking. Just let me know what size you want and I'll set it aside for you. Here's the quantity and sizes of zippers I have:

- 5 – 36"
- 6 – 50"
- 4 – 60"

Note: we can shorten the zipper to match your garment bags length.

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If you would like to purchase a zipper, my favorite source for all types of zippers is Zipperstop.com. They have YKK upholstery zippers in 4 colors, black, brown, white, and beige, and in a variety of sizes.

You will need 2 – 3 packages of Wrights Bias Tape; **you have to use the ½” extra wide double fold**. Single fold will not work for this project. Make sure you buy the same dye lot for all of your packages; it is shown on the front of the package.

Here’s what you need to make a garment bag: (I’m using my zipper lengths, you can see that you need the same length of fabric as your zipper length), remember, we can always cut the zipper to match the length of your bag. For instance, if you want your bag to be 40” long, we will just cut a 50” zipper to fit that length.

	36”	50”	60”
Fabric:			
54” wide	1 yd	1 ½ yds	1 2/3 yds
44” wide	2 yds	3 yds	3 ½ yds
Zipper:	36” long	50” long	60” long
Half-inch extra wide double-fold Bias Tape:	2 pkg	3 pkg	3 pkg

Recommendations:

- Use heavy weight setting on machine
- Use Schmetz Jeans/Denim #90/14 or 100/16 needle
- If you have this product, use Steam-A-Seam ¼” tape instead of hand basting your zipper in place. I will bring my roll and you can try it out.

Resources: Zipper Stop www.zipperstop.com for upholstery zippers.
To add an iron-on bling, www.suesparklers.com for iron-on appliques.

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