

Boheme Bag

Featuring Isabelle by Dena Designs

Perhaps the perfect carryall--its adjustable depth allows for toting a laptop or holding enough for a weekend getaway.

Collection:	Isabelle by Dena Designs
Technique:	Piecing, Sewing
Skill Level:	Experienced Beginner
Crafting Time:	Weekend*
Finished Size:	19" x 19" (48.26cm x 48.26cm), excluding handles

**Crafting time based on Experienced Beginner skill level*

Project designed by Kathleen Murphy

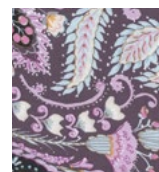
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Fabric Requirements

DESIGN	COLOR	ARTICLE CODE	YARDAGE
(A) Ornate	Plum	PWDF247.PLUM	½ yard (45.72cm)
(B) Stripe	Plum	PWDF252.PLUM	⅓ yard (30.48cm)
(C) Paisley	Plum	PWDF251.PLUM	½ yard (45.72cm)
(D) Fleurette	Plum	PWDF246.PLUM	¾ yard (68.58cm)
(E) Forest	Plum	PWDF249.PLUM	⅝ yard (57.15cm)
(F) Dandelion	Plum	PWDF248.PLUM	¼ yard (22.86cm)
(G) Leaf	Plum	PWDF250.PLUM	⅓ yard (30.48cm)

Additional Requirements

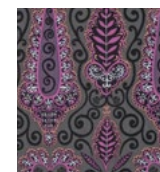
- Coats® Dual Duty XP All-purpose Thread in colors to match fabrics
- 1¼ yards (1.14m) medium-weight fusible batting
- Sewing machine
- Rotary cutter/mat/ruler
- Basic sewing and pressing supplies



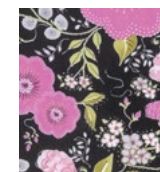
(A)



(B)



(C)



(D)



(E)



(F)



(G)

Cutting

WOF = Width of Fabric

Fabric A, fussy-cut:

(2) 6½" (16.51cm) squares on point

Fabric A, cut:

(4) 2½" x 16" (6.35cm x 40.64cm)

Fabric B, cut:

(4) 6¼" (15.88cm) squares;
sub-cut once diagonally to make (8) triangles
(1) 2" x WOF (5.08cm x WOF);
sub-cut (4) 2" x 10" (5.08cm x 25.40cm), for ties

Fabric C, cut:

(2) 12½" (31.75cm) squares;
sub-cut twice diagonally to make (8) triangles

Fabric D, cut:

(4) 12½" (31.75cm) squares;
sub-cut once diagonally to make (8) triangles

Fabric E, cut:

(2) 20" (50.80cm) squares, for lining

Fabric F, cut:

(2) 4½" x 20" (11.43cm x 50.80cm)

Fabric G:

(2) 4" x 24" (10.16cm x 60.96cm), for handles

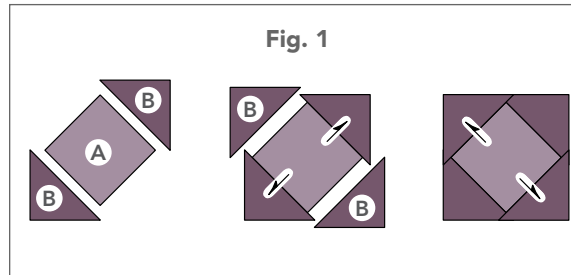
Fusible batting, cut:

(4) 19" (48.26cm) squares
(2) 2" x 24" (5.08cm x 60.96cm)

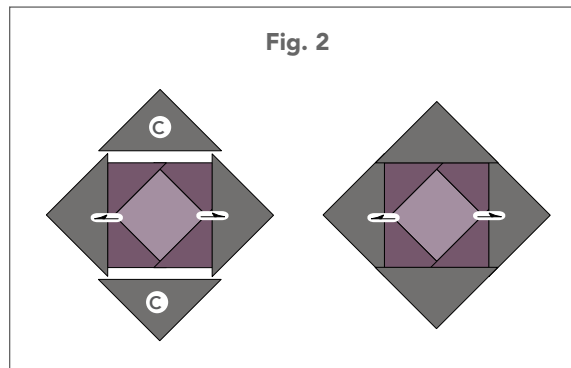
Sewing

Note: All seam allowances are ¼" (.64cm) unless otherwise noted, and pieces are sewn right sides together.

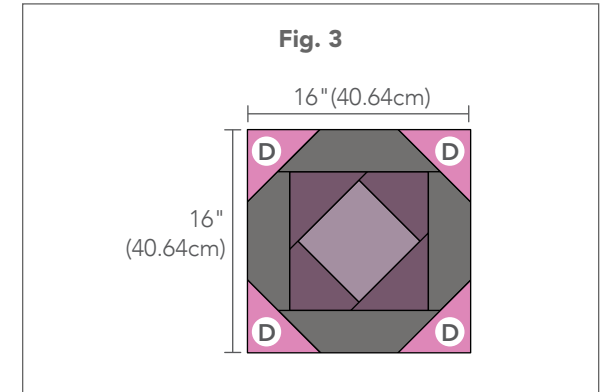
1. Mark the center of the long side of each **Fabric B** triangle and center of each side of the 6½" (16.51cm) **Fabric A** square. Matching center points, sew one triangle to opposite sides of the feature square. Press the seams toward the triangles.
2. Repeat for the opposite sides of the **Fabric A** square (Fig. 1).



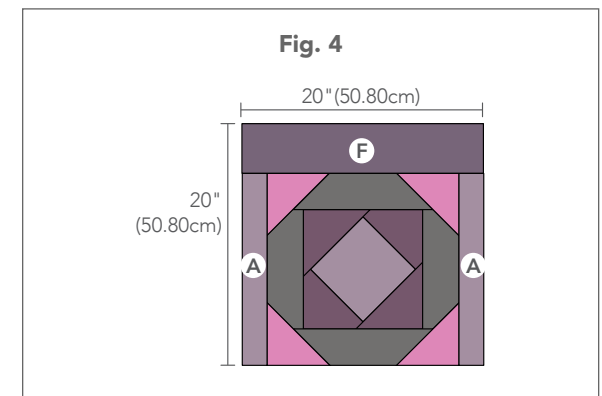
3. Mark the center of the long edge of each **Fabric C** triangle. Matching the centers, repeat Steps 1-2 (Fig. 2).



4. Mark the center of the long edge of each **Fabric D** triangle. Repeat Steps 1-2 to sew one triangle to each corner of the Step 3 unit. Keeping the feature block centered, trim the outer block to 16" (40.64cm) square (Fig. 3).



5. Noting the orientation of the center square, sew one 2½" x 16" (6.35cm x 40.64cm) **Fabric A** strip to each side of the block. Sew the 4½" x 20" (11.43cm x 50.80cm) **Fabric F** strip to the upper edge of the block (Fig. 4). Trim the block to 20" (50.80cm) square. Repeat Steps 1-5 for the second bag block.



6. Center and fuse the 19" (48.26cm) square of fusible fleece to each bag block wrong side and to the wrong side of each 20" (50.80cm) **Fabric E** lining square.
7. Quilt the bag front and back as desired, or leave unquilted.
8. To make the handles, fuse the fleece to the center of each 4" x 24" (10.16cm x 60.96cm) **Fabric G** strip wrong side. Fold the fabric to the center and press. Fold the strip in half again to make a 1" x 24" (2.54cm x 60.96cm) handle. Topstitch each long edge. Repeat for the second handle.
9. Make a mark along the bag front and back upper edges 5" (12.70cm) in from both sides. Being careful not to twist, line up the end of each handle with the top of the bag, centered on the mark. Baste the handle ends in place.
10. Place the bag front and back right sides together and sew the side and bottom seams using a ½" (1.27cm) seam allowance. Turn the bag right side out. Sew the lining side and bottom seams using a ½" (1.27cm) seam allowance, leaving a 6" (15.24cm) opening in the bottom for turning.
11. With right sides together, slip the lining over the bag with the handles between, matching side seams. Sew around the top edge, reinforcing the stitching over the handles. Turn the bag right side out through the lining opening.

Finishing

12. Tuck the lining into the bag and press the upper edge. Topstitch ½" (1.27cm) from the edge. Hand-stitch the lining opening. Push the lining firmly into the lower bag corners and topstitch the side and bottom edges of the bag, if desired.
13. To make the ties, fold the 2" x 10" (5.08cm x 25.40cm) **Fabric B** strip in half by folding each long raw edge toward the center. Press. Topstitch each long edge. Tie a knot at one end of the tie. Repeat for the remaining ties.
14. Mark 4" (10.16cm) down from the upper edge and 4" (10.16cm) in from the side seams on both the bag front and back. Fold under the raw end of each tie and stitch in place at the marking, going through both the bag and lining layers (**Fig. 5**). Tie the ties to the desired bag depth.

