
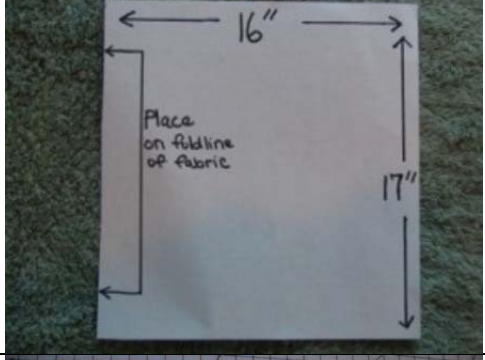
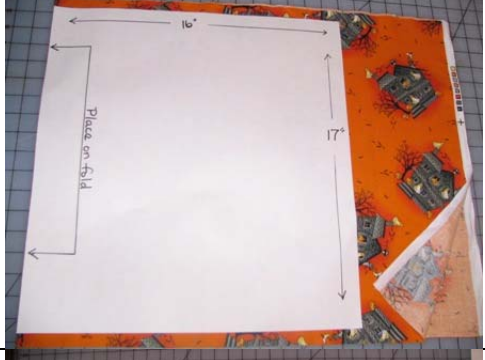

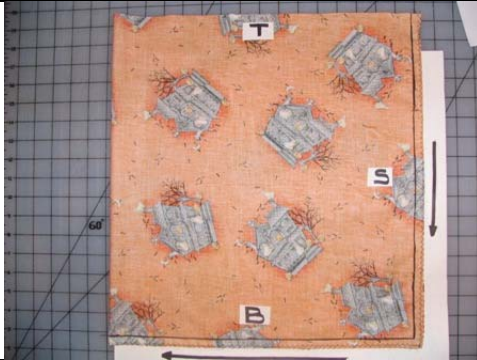


## HALLOWEEN - OCTOBER 2007

### PROJECT OF THE MONTH – HALLOWEEN TRICK-OR-TREAT BAG

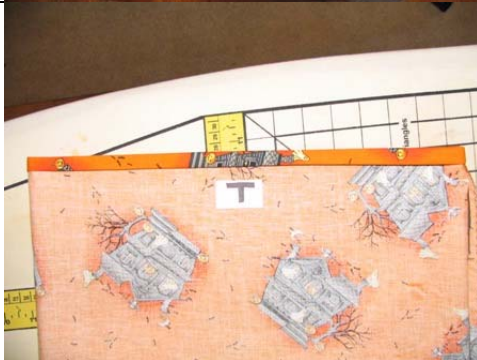
	<p>What you need: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1/2 yard of Halloween fabric (the spookier the better)</li> <li>• Thread to match fabric</li> <li>• 1 yard of matching strapping for handles</li> <li>• 16" x 17" (or larger) piece of interfacing to make pattern piece</li> <li>• Fabric marker</li> </ul>
	<p>Make a rectangular pattern piece out of interfacing measuring 16" by 17". Label one 16" edge as the top, the other as the bottom. Label each 17" edge as a side. Please note that one of the sides will be placed on the fold of the fabric</p>
	<p>Take your 1/2 yard of fabric (unfolded it measures 18" x 45") and fold in half lengthwise so that it measures 18" x 22 1/2". Place your pattern piece on the fabric with one of the 17" sides placed right on the fold line, pin, and cut. (Remember not to cut on the fold line)</p>
	<p>Open up your piece of fabric. Using a wide zigzag stitch on your sewing machine, zigzag down one of the sides of the fabric, across the bottom, and back up the other side</p>



Fold the fabric in half, right sides together, so that it measures 16" X 17". Pin together the side edge (17"), and the bottom edge (16"). With a 1/2" seam allowance, sew down the side of the bag, turn and sew across the bottom of the bag



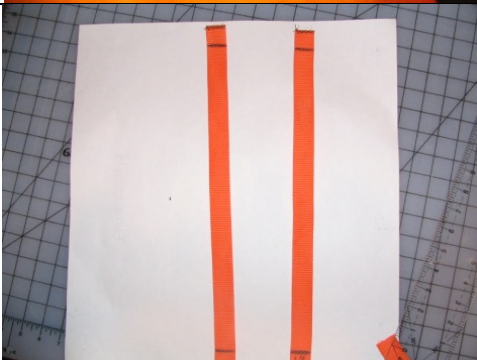
Clip the bottom corners diagonally, press the seams open



Keeping the bag turned inside out, fold the top edge of the bag down 1/2" towards the inside of the bag, and iron. Turn down another 1/2", iron, and pin (this creates a 1/2" double hem)



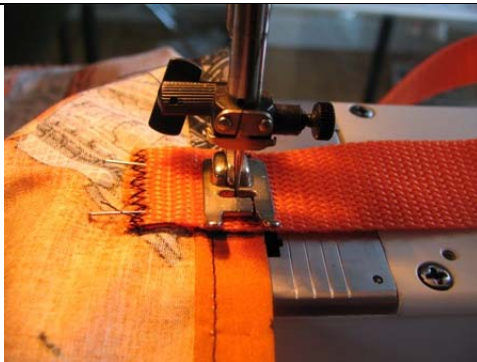
Now topstitch the hem down approximately 3/16" from the top edge



Cut two pieces of strapping so that they each measure 16 1/2". Zig-zag back and forth across the end of each strap so that it doesn't fray. Next, on each of the pieces of strapping draw a line 1" in from each end



Turn bag inside out, and iron flat. Along the top of the bag measure 4" in from each side and mark. Place the outside edge of the strap up against the 4" line, and then move the strap down so that the 1" line lines up with the top edge of the bag. Pin the strap in place. Now turn bag over and do the same thing with the other handle



Sewing the strap down: - First sew across the strap 1/8" down from top edge of the bag, turn and sew down the side, across the bottom and back up the other side.



Refer to the picture for a visual of what sewing down the strap looks like



Turn bag right side out, and iron



Have a little fun with the bag. We've outlined the haunted houses with yellow glow in the dark paint, making those houses even spookier. There are many things you could do to the bag, you could sew decorative buttons on the bag, or sew feathers around the top (if you have a child dressed like a princess), the ideas are endless.

**HAVE FUN!**