

Butterfly Mug Bag.

What you need:

One fat quarter for the outer casing, casing lining, handle and inner pocket. (For a contrasting lining you'll need an extra rectangle of fabric 6" x 18").

7" x 17" for the inner bag

7" x 17" contrast fabric for the lining for the inner bag.

12" x width of fabric of lightweight, fusible, woven interfacing.

7" x 17" thin fusible batting (I use Pellon HS 630)

4" x 1/4" satin ribbon.

One 1" button.

Cosmo Threads red 241A



The Mug Bag is made up of two sections:
The Outer Casing (with a pocket and handle)
The inner protective Bag.



Outer Casing



Inner Bag



I've designed a small pocket for keeping the tea and sugar.





Making the Outer Casing

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Cut:

1. For the Outer Casing- Cut two from the fat 1/4: 5-1/2" x 17-1/2"
(If you're making the contrasting lining, cut one of these 5-1/2" x 17-1/2" from the contrast fabric).
 2. For the inner pocket- Cut one 4-1/2" x 8"
 3. For the handles- Cut one 4" x 7-1/2".
- Fuse interfacing to the reverse of each of the pieces- the outer casing, the casing lining, the inner pocket and the handle.



Outer Casing- 5-1/2" wide x 17-1/2" long.



Lining for the Outer Casing- 5-1/2" wide x 17-1/2" long.

1. Use the template provided (see page 5) to round one end of both the casing and the lining.



Place the template on one end of the fabric, aligning with the end and the sides. Trace the rounded shape onto the fabric



Cut on the drawn line to round off both the casing and the lining.



Use scraps of left-over fabric for the wings and body

Applique Butterfly:

1. Use the templates (page 5) for the body and the wings and trace onto the paper side of the Vliesofix.
2. Cut out the shapes roughly and fuse to the wrong side of your chosen fabrics.
3. Cut out again carefully this time, on the drawn lines and fuse in place on the rounded end of the outer casing panel, 1" from the raw rounded edge.
4. Finish the raw edges of the butterfly with a blanket stitch.

2. Applique the Butterfly in place on the Outer Casing (see directions opposite).

3. Making the Pocket.

With right sides together, fold the 4-1/2"x 8"pocket rectangle in half to make 4-1/2" x 4".

Sew around the outside, raw edges, leaving an opening for turning.

Turn right side out and slip stitch the opening closed.

Press

Sew in place on the lining 6" down from the rounded end.



3. With right sides together, aligning the rounded ends and raw edges, sew the outer casing to the lining, leaving an opening in the side for turning.
3. Turn right side out and press.
4. Slip stitch the opening closed.
5. Top stitch around the entire casing panel, 1/8" in from the outside edge.
6. Put the outer casing to one side while you make the inner bag.





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Making the Inner Bag.

Cut:

- Two 8-1/2" long x 7" wide from the fabric for the bag.
- Two 8-1/2" long x 7" wide from the fabric for the bag lining.
- Two 8-1/2" long x 7" wide from the thin batting.
- Two 8-1/2" long x 7" wide from the interfacing.



Making the Bag.

1. Fuse the interfacing to the reverse of: the two 8-1/2" x 7" for the outer bag. The two 8-1/2" x 7" for the bag lining.
2. Fuse the thin batting over the top of the interfacing for both 8-1/2" x 7" outer bag pieces.



Fuse the interfacing first, then fuse the batting over the top, to the back of the two outer bag pieces.



3. With right sides together, sew the two outer bag pieces together. Sew two long sides and one short side. Leave one short side open.



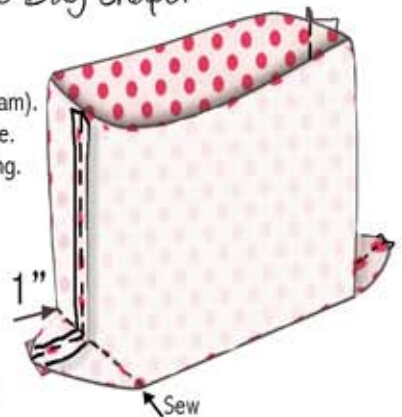
Lining:

4. With right sides together, sew the two lining pieces together in the same way as the outer bag pieces. Leave an opening in one seam for turning.



Forming the Bag Shape.

1. Make the bottom of the bag lining flat.
2. Draw a line across the seam, 1" from the point on one side of the bag (See diagram).
3. Stitch across the seam, on the drawn line.
4. Repeat for the other side of the bag lining.
5. Trim the seam to 1/2"
6. Repeat steps 1-4 for the outer bag.



Putting the Bag Together.

1. With right sides together, push the bag lining inside the bag.
2. Sew the bag to the lining around the top edge.
3. Turn right side out through the opening in the side seam.
4. Push the lining into the bag.
5. Press.

Sewing the Bag into the Outer Casing.



"Cuff"

Slip stitch the bag into the casing around the bottom of the bag.

Position the bag in the casing. The straight end of the casing should come up the front of the bag by 3-3/4".

Pin the bag in place in the casing.

Sew the bag to the casing with a slip stitch around the bottom of the bag.

Slip stitch the top flat end of the casing in place on the front of the bag.

Roll the top of the bag over the top of the casing to form a "cuff" that shows the contrast lining.



Making the Handles.

1. From the fabric for the handles, cut one 4" wide x 7-1/2" long.
2. With wrong sides together, fold in half along the entire length and press.
3. Open out and fold each short side over by 1/4" to the wrong side and press again.
4. Fold each long side into the centre and press.
5. Sew around the outside edge.
6. Sew the handle in place on the outer casing. (Use the photo as a guide.)

Fold each long side in to the centre and press.



Sew around the outside edge of the handle.



Making the Button Loop.



Loop made from satin ribbon for the button.



Choose a pretty button for the front. I've used two buttons- one on top of the other.

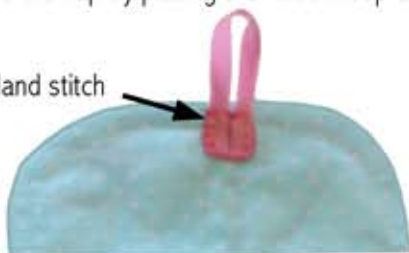
1. Lightly mark the centre of the curved end of the mug bag casing. (This is where you'll sew the loop for the button).
2. Fold the piece of satin ribbon in half.
3. Fold one end of the ribbon over to the back by 1/2" and crease.
4. Do the same with the other side of the ribbon.
5. Pin the ribbon in place on the lining of the casing where you placed the mark.
6. Hand stitch in place.

Put your favourite mug in the bag, fold the casing flap over to the front and lightly mark where the button should go. (Put a mark through the button loop).

Sew the button in place on the front of the casing.

Secure the flap by placing the ribbon loop around the button.

Hand stitch



Pop some of your favourite tea and some sugar in the inside pocket, your favourite mug goes in its own protective bag-and your ready to go!





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Templates



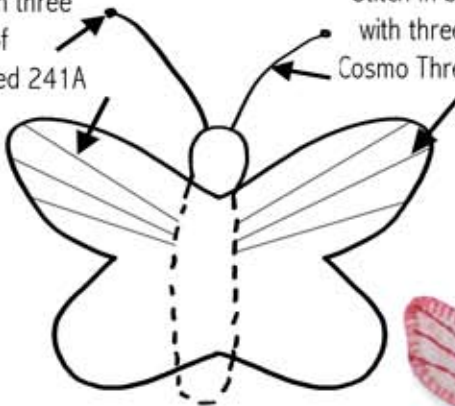
Butterfly Body



Butterfly Mug Bag.
Template for Rounding
the end of the Casing.

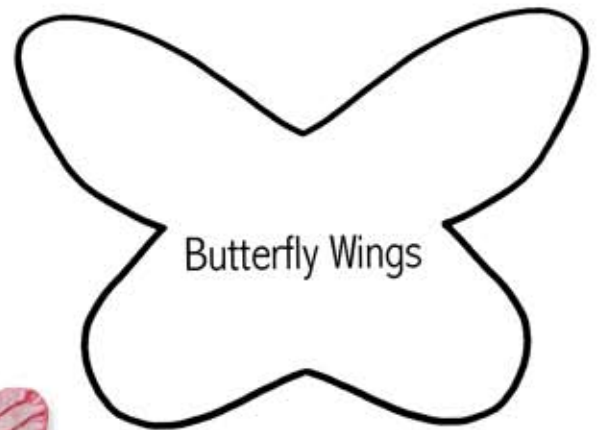


Colonial Knot
Stitch with three
strands of
Cosmo Red 241A



Butterfly Layout.

Stitching lines
Stitch in backstitch
with three strands
Cosmo Threads 241A



Butterfly Wings