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NANTUCKET MINI-CHARM BAG

Finished Size: $7\frac{1}{2}$ " wide x 6" tall x $2\frac{3}{4}$ " deep





CUTTING & PREPARATION =

Navy & White version:

- From the Bella Solid, cut the following:
 - Cut 1 strip 2½" x 21" wof. From the strip, cut 1 rectangle $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x 17" and 1 rectangle - $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x 3".
 - Cut 1 strip 4½" x 21" wof. From the strip, cut 1 rectangle $4\frac{1}{2}$ " x 17" and 1 rectangle - $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x 3".

Blue. Green & White version:

- From the Bella Solid, cut the following:
 - Cut 3 strips 2½" x 21" wof. From the strips, cut 2 rectangles $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x 17" and 2 rectangles - $2\frac{1}{2}$ " x 3".

LINING - for all three versions:

- From the lining, cut the following:
 - Cut 1 rectangle 12" x 18" wof.

PIECING =

Unless otherwise specified, all seams are a scant 1/4".

Scrappy Patchwork version:

Select (40) squares. Arrange them in eight rows of 5 squares each.

Join 5 saugres for each row. Press seams of each row to alternating sides so the rows nest (or press open).

Join the rows to complete the pieced panel, and press seams open.

The completed panel measures 10½" x 161/2".



PIECING (CONT'D) ===

Unless otherwise specified, all seams are a scant 1/4".

Navy & White version:

Arrange (16) Navy and White squares in eight rows of 2 squares each.

Join 2 squares for each row. Press seams of each row to alternating sides so the rows nest (or press open).

Join the rows to complete the pieced panel, and press seams open. The pieced panel will measure $4\frac{1}{2}$ " x $16\frac{1}{2}$ ".

Select the Bella Solid strips-2½" x 17" and $4\frac{1}{2}$ " x 17"-and trim them to $16\frac{1}{2}$ " long (or the same length as the pieced panel). Join to either side of the pieced panel as shown. Press toward the Bella Solid (or press open).

The completed panel measures 10½" x 16½".



Blue. Green & White version:

Arrange (24) Blue, Green and White squares in eight rows of 3 squares each.

Join 3 squares for each row. Press seams of each row to alternating sides so the rows nest (or press open).

Join the rows to complete the pieced panel, and press seams open. The pieced panel will measure $6\frac{1}{2}$ " x $16\frac{1}{2}$ ".

Select the two 2½" x 17" Bella Solid strips and trim them to 161/2" long (or the same length as the pieced panel). Join to either side of the pieced panel as shown. Press toward the Bella Solid (or press open).

The completed panel measures 10½" x 16½".



CONSTRUCTION

Quilting the Zipper Bag

If using a fusible fleece/batting/foam stabilizer:

- Trim your 12"x18" piece to the size of the pieced panel. Follow the manufacturer's instructions to fuse it to the wrong side of the pieced panel.
- Pin or spray baste the 12"x18" lining fabric to the remaining side of the fleece/batting/foam stabilizer, right side facing out.

If using a non-fusible batting:

• Pin or spray-baste the three layers together to prepare it for machine quilting, right sides facing out for both fabrics.

Using your preferred thread, machine guilt the three layers of the zipper bag. Trim full quilted piece to edges of pieced top.

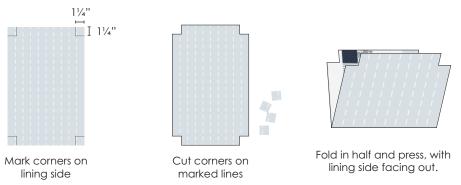
Stitch around the outside edge of the bag, approximately 1/8" from the edge, to secure.

Create Top Box Corners

On the LINING side of the guilted panel, mark a square in each of the corners that measures $1\frac{1}{4}$ " x $1\frac{1}{4}$ ".

Using scissors, cut on the lines to remove the corner squares.

Before adding the zipper, fold the bag in half with the LINING facing out. Press the bottom edge flat at this stage, to help in a later step with creating the bottom corners.



CONSTRUCTION (CONT'D)

Prepare the Tabs

Select the 2½" x 3" Bella Solid rectangles. Fold each rectangle in half lengthwise, with the right side out, and press to create a crease. Now fold each long raw edge in toward the center crease and press again.





Folded tab approx. 3" x 5%". Make 2.

Top stitch both sides of the folded strip. Each strip will be approx. 5%" wide by 3"



Fold each strip lengthwise with the raw edges together. If you are adding a D-ring to one of the tabs, slip the strip through the D-ring now. Then, stitch along the raw edge ends to keep the tabs from shifting during finishing, approx. 1/8" from the edge.



Inserting the Zipper

The zipper is slightly longer than needed, and will be trimmed after being attached to the bag. Zipper foot recommended.

Line up your zipper Right Sides Together (RST) with the guilted bag panel, along the top short edge. Center zipper and pin to secure.

Using a zipper foot, join the zipper to the first edge of the pieced panel.

Fold back the seam (zipper and panel right sides facing up), and gently press seam allowance toward the guilted panel, being careful not to catch the zipper directly under the iron. Top-stitch a generous 1/4" from the fold to secure and finish the seam, making sure to catch the zipper tape on the lining side.



Optional: use a zia-zaa stitch to over-cast the edge before pressing, for a stronger seam.



Press toward lining, and top-stitch.

CONSTRUCTION (CONT'D) =

Inserting the Zipper (cont'd)

Fold the bag, lining side out, to stitch the other side of zipper to opposite side of panel, RST. Repeat the steps above.

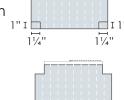
Open the zipper half way, and carefully stitch across the zipper and zipper tape where it meets the raw edges of the quilted panel. This will further secure the zipper, and create a 'stop' for when you trim off the zipper ends.

Make sure to leave the zipper half-open for the remainder!

Trim off the excess zipper.

Create Bottom Box Corners

With lining side out—the zipper at the top edge, and the cut out corners lined up—fold the bottom of the bag so that it is flat. This is where pressing the bottom a few steps back will come in handy.



Mark rectangles at both bottom corners that are 1½" from the seam edge, and 1" from the folded edge. Use scissors to carefully cut away the rectangles.

FINISHING THE BAG

Recommended to use a zig-zag stitch to over-cast these last seams.

Using a $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance, stitch both sides from top to bottom. Over-cast both seams with a zig-zag stitch.

To sew the box corners, start with the bottom corners. Pick a corner, and fold the side seam down to meet the bottom fold–creating a flat seam with the side seam at the center and the cut notches at either end. Pin to secure.



Stitch the opening closed with a 1/4" seam allowance, and over-cast with a zig-zag stitch.

Fold box corner flat, with side seam centered. Sew corner.

FINISHING THE BAG (CONT'D) =

Repeat on the remaining bottom corner.

On the corner of the bag where the zipper is closed, fold the corner flat as before. Point the side seam in the same direction as it is on the bottom. Before you stitch, center the tab WITHOUT the D-ring over the zipper, aligning the raw edges. Carefully stitch through all of the layers, taking care going over the zipper coil. Flip the bag over, and stitch it again in the opposite direction. Over-cast with a zig-zag stitch.

For the corner of the bag where the zipper is open, fold the corner as before, this time centering the tab WITH the D-ring over the zipper. Align raw edges, and carefully stitch through all the layers. Repeat in the opposite direction. Over-cast with a zig-zag stitch.

Open the zipper the rest of the way, and turn the bag rightside out. Use a point turner to carefully push out the corners of the bag.

Attach a fun zipper charm, and enjoy!



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FABRIC REQUIREMENTS

Navy & White Bag OR Blue, Green & White Bag:

- 1 Nantucket Summer Mini Charm pack (55260MC)
- 1 fat-eighth of Bella Solid 9900 98
- 1 fat-quarter for lining

Scrappy Patchwork Bag:

- 1 Nantucket Summer Mini Charm pack (55260MC)
- 1 fat-quarter for lining

Additional Materials Required:

- 12" x 18" piece of fleece, batting or foam stabilizer
 - Samples are made with Pellon Fusible Thermolam Plus White (TP971F)
- 11" or 14" nylon zipper
- OPTIONAL: 3/4" D-ring
- Thread for piecing and machine-quilting.



Don't forget zipper charms for your bags!

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