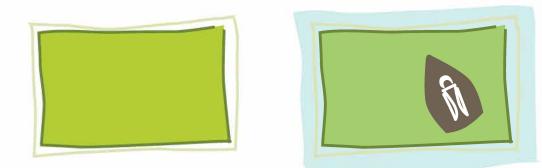
# Reversible Trash Bag

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#### Items you'll need to complete this project:

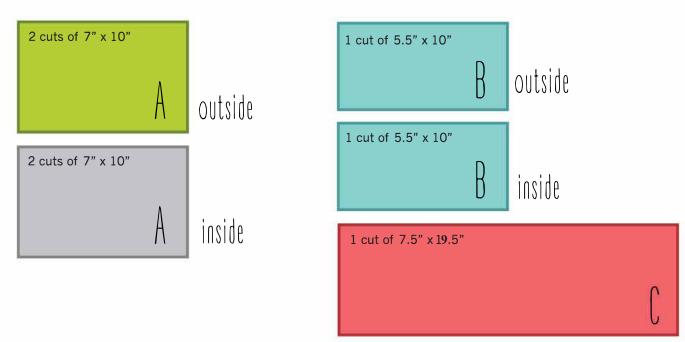
- Four different pieces of scrap fabric around 22" x 8" (half a fat quarter)
- Two pieces of ribbon 29" long
- Fusible Vinyl (save one of the largest pieces of paper for ironing)
- Cutting mat, ruler and rotary cutter
- Sewing machine
- Thread and pins

### Step One:



Make sure you have taken all the threads off the top of the fabrics before starting the fusing process (if you don't do this, you will have one stuck in between the vinyl and fabric). Iron the vinyl onto the four different fabrics using the instructions that come with your fusible vinyl.

#### Step Two:



#### Cut the fabric/vinyl into the following pieces

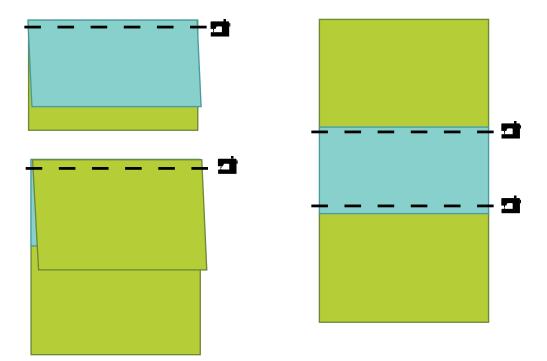
A. Outside fabric 2 cuts of 7" x 10"B. Outside fabric 1 cut of 5.5" x 10"

| Inside fabric 2 cuts of 7" x 10"

| Inside fabric 1 cut of 5.5" x 10"

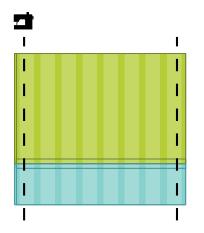
**C**. Fabric C (top) 1 cut 7.5" x 19.5"

## Step three:



Sew one of the **outside A's** to the long side of **outside B**. Sew the other **outside A** to the other long side of the **outside B**. Use one of your scrap pieces of paper from your fusible vinyl to iron the seams flat and top stitch. Repeat these steps for the inside fabrics.

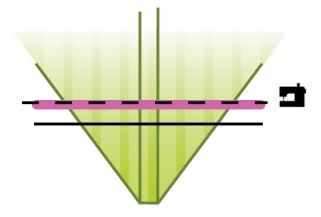
Step four:



Now, the **outside fabrics** (and **inside fabrics**) should be a rectangle.

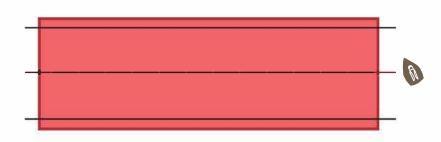
With the RST find the edges where the seams meet and pin together, pin the rest of the edge. Do this to both edges and then sew each edge. Repeat these steps for the inside rectangle as well.

#### Step five:



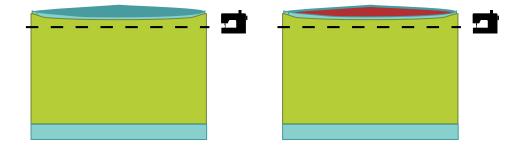
On the bottom corner of the bag, where the seam starts, make it into a point. Measure 1.5" and draw a line with a fabric marker. Sew on the line, and cut  $\frac{1}{4}$ " after the seam. Repeat this step on the other three bottom corners (**outside** and **inside fabrics**).

#### Step six:



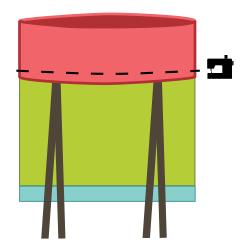
Locate **fabric C**. Fold the fabric in half it becomes 3.75" x 19.5". Place the scrap paper that comes with the vinyl on top of **fabric C** and press flat. Then fold down  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch of the top of the strip, use the paper that comes with the vinyl to press flat. Repeat on the bottom. Sew the short edges together.





Turn the **inside fabric** to the RSO, leave the **outside fabric** with the RSI. Place the **outside fabric** inside the **inside fabric** so that the wrong sides are touching. Pin and sew the raw edges together.

Turn **fabric C** to the RSO and place it in the inside of the bag. Pin the top edge of **fabric C** to the top edge of the outside fabric (RST). Sew all three edges together.



Pull **fabric C** up and turn down. The ironed folds will be your guide, use them to fold over and hide the raw edges of the **outside fabrics** and **inside fabrics**. Pin in place. When you get to the back side of your trash bag, you will need to add your two peices of ribbon. Fold one in half. Measure 2" inside of the right side seam. Tuck your ribbon into the folded edge and pin into place. Make sure that you have at least a half inch of the ribbon tucked inside. Then take the other peicec of ribbon and fold in half. Measure 2" inside of the left side seam. Tuck your ribbon into the top and pin into place. Topstitch all layers together. Turn the bag inside out. I have found that the best place to put it in your car is to hang it on the back side of the passengers side headrest.

