

# INSTRUCTIONS FOR DIAPER BAG



This tutorial is for a diaper bag! You can make it out of as many t-shirts as you'd like, you can use as many colors or patterns as you'd like. The bag is also reversible! We hope you enjoy it.

## TRACE & CUT PATTERN ON 2 LAYERS



1. Pin, trace, and cut patterns for the body of the bag.

## CUT 2 STRAPS

2. Cut 4 straps, approximately 2 inches, or 5 cm, in width, and as long as you'd like for a handbag strap.
3. You can use different colors for the straps if you'd like.

## SEW BOTH STRAPS

4. Layer 2 strap patterns on top of each other. Repeat with the other 2. Pin both.
5. Mark 0.6 cm, or a quarter of an inch, all around the straps.
6. Sew all the way on the long side of the straps as well as on one short side, leaving one of the short sides open.
7. Remember to reverse.

## USE A PENCIL TO TURN STRAPS INSIDE OUT

8. Use a pencil to turn the strap inside out. You can push the short side that you sewed out, using the pencil.
9. Again, you will push from the part that you close until it comes out of the other side.
10. Sew a topstitch on the short edge you left open to close it.

## MARK CENTER

11. Mark the center of the two rectangles that will form the sides of the bag, where the strap will be attached. The bag is made from two sides and a base, plus a lining.

12. Fold on the center and mark the half again. This is where you will attach your strap handles.

## ATTACH STRAPS

13. Pin the straps to the sides of the bag. Mark a quarter of an inch, or 0.6 cm, and sew.

14. You can run a complete stitch down the rectangle to secure the straps, or just sew the straps on.

## ATTACH BASE

15. Now we will attach the base of the bag to the sides.

16. Face the side rectangle face to face with the base.

17. Sew half an inch, or 1.3 cm, from the edge. Remember to reverse! Repeat for the other side.

## CUT T-SHIRT UNDER ARMS

18. Cut a second t-shirt right under the armpits to make the lining.

19. Place it on top of the exterior you just sewed together, the two sides and one You can trim the lining if it is bigger.

## MARK, 1.3 CM

21. Mark a half an inch, or 1.3 cm, away from the edge, on the two short sides. Pin the two large rectangles together. Sew the two shorter sides.

## MATCH SEAMS & PIN

22. Open up the entire piece so it forms a large loop. Match the seams where the sides were sewed to the base. Pin them.

23. Mark a half an inch, or 1.3 cm line, from the long edge.

## LEAVE OPENING

24. Leave one opening on one of the long sides the width of about 4 fingers, so you can turn the bag inside out after you sew. Sew.

## FORM CORNERS

25. Form the corners into triangles. Measure about 2 inches, or 5 cm, away from the triangle point, and mark a straight line.

26. This will give you a nice shapely base for the bag. You will do this for both the exterior and the lining corners.

## REPEAT ON ALL 4 CORNERS

27. Sew and cut the excess triangle.

## TURN INSIDE OUT

28. Turn the bag inside out.

## FOLD EDGES OF OPENING & SEW TOPSTITCH

29. Sew the opening closed.

30. You can always change it as you'd like, whether you want a larger size or some pockets.