

# FLORAL BAG

Side height 20 cm  
Base 17 cm x 23 cm

## MATERIALS

- 50 cm cotton twill or similar fabric
- 25 cm fusible wadding (Vlieseline® H 630 or H 640)
- 20 cm fusible fleece
- 20 cm x 58 cm piece of volume fleece (Vlieseline® Volumenvlies 272)
- 20 cm x 25 cm piece of cardboard for base

## For flower motifs:

- piece of blue cotton twill
- double-sided fusible web, Vlieseline®/Vliesofix
- embroidery stabilizer, Vlieseline® Soluweb
- embroidery thread

## PATTERN PIECES

### cut

	exterior	lining
1 side panel (=1a+1b)	2	2
2 base panel	1	1
3 handle (=3a+3b+3c)	2	
⇒ flower motifs	1+1	

## CUTTING

Cut side panels, base panel and handles from cotton twill. Add 1 cm seam allowances to edges. Note! Cut lining panels slightly smaller than exterior panels.

## Cut also:

- side panel twice from fusible wadding without adding seam allowances
- base once from both fusible fleece and cardboard without adding seam allowances
- two 20 cm x 29 cm pieces from volume fleece for handles
- two 10 cm x 10 cm pieces and two 13 cm x 13 cm pieces from blue cotton twill for flower motifs

## INSTRUCTIONS

**Preparation:** Iron fusible wadding onto exterior side panels and fusible fleece onto exterior base panel.

**Handles:** Fold handle piece in half lengthwise, right sides together, and stitch its edges together between notches in the mid-part of the piece. Trim seam allowances and turn handle right side out. Roll up piece of volume fleece lengthwise and stitch its tail end to roll by hand. Insert volume fleece roll into mid-part of handle. Construct the other handle in the same way. Fold and press seam allowances on open edges of handles to inside. Pin handles to exterior side panels as marked on pattern and stitch them in place close to edges.

**Joining:** Pin exterior side panels together, right sides facing, and stitch side seams. Stitch side seams of lining in the same way. Press seams open and topstitch on both sides of seam using presser foot edge as guide.

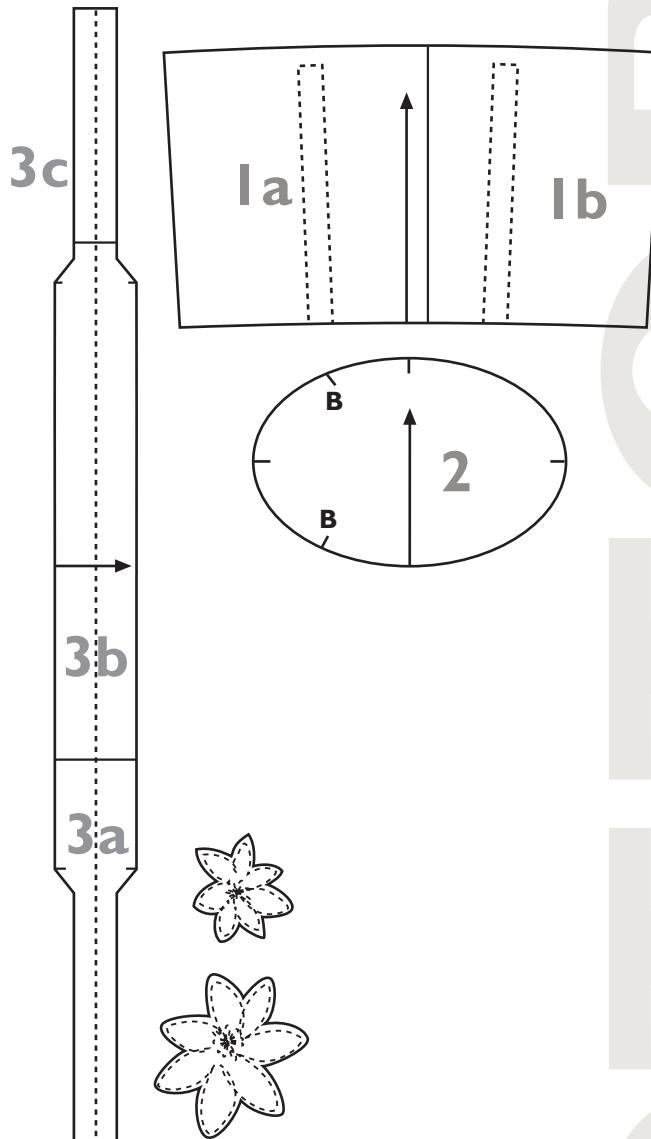
Pin bag exterior and lining together, right sides facing, and stitch top edges together. Turn bag side sections right side out but do not insert lining into bag exterior. Understitch top-edge seam allowances to lining.

Insert lining into bag exterior and machine-baste their bottom edges together.

Turn bag side section so that lining is on the outside. Pin and stitch exterior base panel to bottom edge of bag, with right side of base panel facing right side of exterior side section.

With your hand, press bag side section carefully flat against exterior base panel and fasten it in the middle of base with safety pins. Pin base lining panel on top (right side of base lining facing right side of exterior base panel) and stitch edges of base panels together, leaving opening (B-B) for turning bag right side out. Trim seam allowances and turn bag right side out. Insert cardboard between base panels. Close opening in base seam by hand-stitching.

**Flower motifs:** Fuse two pieces of blue twill together, wrong sides facing, using double-sided fusible web. Trace flower motifs from pattern sheet on embroidery stabilizer, pin stabilizer to piece of twill and embroider motifs with reinforced straight stitch. Remove embroidery stabilizer. Cut flowers out with 5 mm seam allowances and fray their edges. Attach flowers to bag with a few hand stitches.



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