

Paula Milner's Purse Pattern

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Supplies: 1/2 yard lining, 1/2 yard binding fabric, blue jeans, stiff mesh, 3/4" French Snap, 1/2 yard faux suede, 6 yards-1/2" cotton piping 2" velcro, 3 inches suede for pull tab, Fancy button for RS of flap.

1. Cut out front of purse one each: denim and lining fabrics
 - Sew in gusset at bottom of purse in denim and lining fabrics
 - Baste denim & lining fabrics WS together on perimeter 1/8" from edge of back of purse
 - Bind top of purse front
2. Embellish purse front
3. Cut out organizer of stiff mesh same dimensions as purse body.
 - Cut a 10"x 15" pocket from lining fabric for the organizer.
 - Fold to make 5"x15" rectangle, line up raw edges at round of mesh.
 - Layout actual items on mesh & lay folded pocket on top, pin & mark stitch line.
 - Pockets on backside will have to same stitch lines as the front.
 - Trim lining to match bottom and sides of mesh. Pocket is lower than the top of the mesh.
 - Bind all edges of organizer
4. Cut out flap pocket of mesh
 - Bind straight edge of flap pocket, sew on velcro and suede pull tab.
5. Cut out back of purse one each: denim and lining fabrics
 - Apply pocket(s) to back RS
 - Apply velcro to RS of lining. Use mesh flap pocket as guide for velcro placement.
 - Baste denim unit & lining fabric WS together on perimeter 1/8" from edge of back of purse.
6. Baste front purse unit to back unit (RS lining to RS lining)
7. Make a 58" tube and insert piping, attach to top sides of front purse
8. Cut bias faux suede about 2.25" wide (measure see if this works for your purse's layers)
 - Apply folded bias to front of purse
 - Wrap folded edge of bias to back of purse so that 1/8" more extends beyond the front.
 - From the front of purse stitch in the ditch catching the wrapped bias fold on the back of purse.
9. Install French Snap or closure of your choice and sew on decorative button on outside of flap.

Purse Back

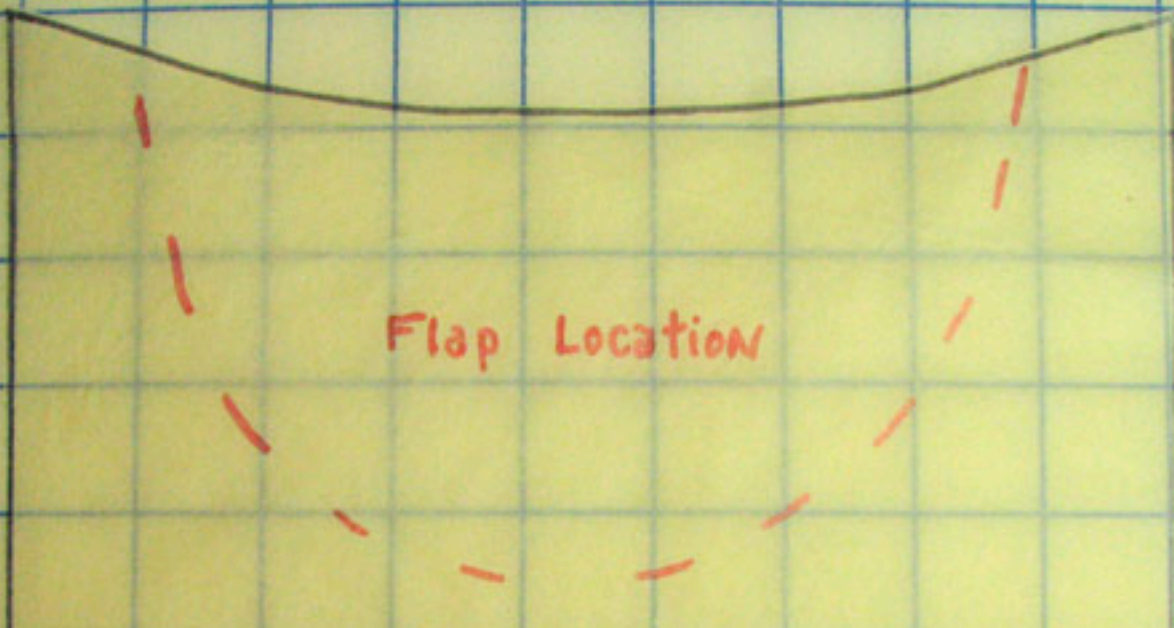
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Flap folding line

Pattern is on a one inch square grid

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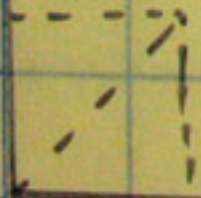
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