

SINGER® PROJECTS

Butterfly Zipper Pouch



Learn piecing techniques while you make a lined zippered pouch that's finished off with an adorable origami butterfly.

PROJECT SKILL LEVEL: ■■■□

Supplies:

Everything you need to complete this project in one place. Use this convenient checklist to ensure you have all required materials in your sewing room, or take it with you when you shop for supplies.

- 4 assorted fat eighths – Fabric A main fabric
- ¼ yard print fabric – Fabric B lining
- Batting
- 7" all-purpose zipper
- All-purpose thread (for construction)
- Sewing Bobbin
- Scissors

- Iron
- Ironing Board
- Sewing Pins

Cutting Directions

Description	Cutting Instructions
Fabric A	Strips at least 3" L x 1½" W
	Strips 6" L x 2" W
	Strips 6" L x 2½" W
	(2) 3"L x 2½"W zipper tab ends
	(2) 4½" x 3½" rectangles of coordinating fabrics for butterfly.
Fabric B	(2) 6" x 9"
Batting	(2) 6" x 9"

Sewing Directions

1. Using one of the 6" x 9" pieces of batting as your foundation, lay the first fabric strip face up, and the second strip face down. Sew a ¼" seam through all three layers. Hint: Start in the center and work your way out alternating on either side. There is really no right or wrong way. That's the beauty of improv! Your project can be as structured or as scrappy as you choose.



2. Continue in this method until both pieces of batting are covered, and trim to 6" x 9".



3. Using the 2½" x 3" zipper tab end pieces, press one 2½" side raw edge under ¼" on each.



4. Fold the 3" sides of the zipper tab in half lengthwise, wrong side together, and put the zipper end inside the tab with turned in edge next to zipper stop ends. Using a zipper foot, stitch on fabric tab with zipper foot close to the folded fabric edge. Do this to both sides.



5. Trim the excess overhang of fabric next to zipper tape.
6. Open the fabric tab and clip zipper tape to about $\frac{1}{2}$ " from your stitching to reduce bulk later.



7. Center zipper on the front top edge, right sides together. Place zipper pull at LEFT front side. NOTE: Zipper fabric tabs will overhang at sides.



8. With zipper foot, stitch in center of zipper tape. (about $\frac{1}{4}$ " from the edge of the fabric)



9. Place the right side of lining fabric over right side of front/zipper unit. The zipper will be sandwiched between outside and lining fabrics.



10. Turn over and sew directly on previous stitching line.
11. Press outside and lining away from zipper. (this will help the finished bag to lay better)
Trim excess zipper tab fabric from edges.



12. Center the other edge of the zipper over the bag back outside fabric, right sides together. Using the zipper foot, stitch in the center of the zipper tape. ($\frac{1}{4}$ " from the edge of the fabric)

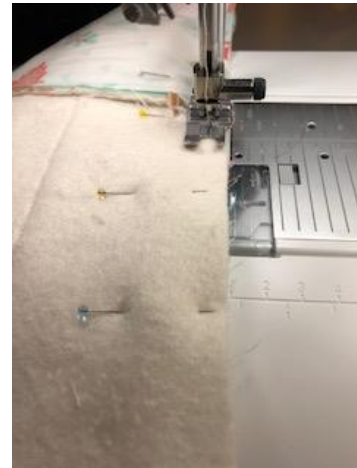


13. Sew the lining to the back/zipper piece the same as step 9, sandwiching the zipper between the outside and lining fabrics. Press the bag outside and lining away from the zipper.



14. OPEN THE ZIPPER BEFORE THE NEXT STEPS

15. Pin the front to the back outside, right sides together. Then pin the lining front to back, right sides together.



16. Push the extra zipper tab fabric in the side seam towards the lining. Stitch around outside edges using a $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance. Leave a 4" opening at the bottom edge of lining for turning. Make sure to back stitch at beginning and ending.
17. Clip the corners and turn right side out through the opening in the bottom lining seam. Stitch close to edge of bottom lining opening to close it.

Making the Butterfly:

1. Start with the two 4½" x 3½" rectangles.
2. With right sides together, stitch the two 4½" x 3½" rectangles using a ¼" seam, but leave a small opening in one of the long sides for turning.
3. Clip the corners, turn right side out, and press.
4. Topstitch all the way around the rectangle close to the edges.
5. Follow the origami folding steps below and press as you go. Once your butterfly is complete, hand stitch a couple of stitches in the underside of the wings to help your butterfly hold its shape.



6. Open the fabric on the right side. Bring the top right corner to the center and make a squash fold by pressing the fabric flat. Bring the right side back over on top of the squash fold. Repeat this for the left side. Press.





7. Now you can hand stitch a couple of stitches in the underside of the wings so your butterfly will lay down better.
8. Place the butterfly on the front side of your Zipper Pouch and hand stitch it down.

