



America Sews

with Sue Hausmann®

Sew Trendy with Sue!



Husqvarna Viking Designer SE Embroidery Machine
Huskystar ER10 Needle Punching Machine
Huskylock 936 Serger
Canvas for tote 12" x 30"
1/4 yard Batik for Handles
2 yards 1/4" Cable Cord
Cone Thread
30 Wt Blendable Thread 733-4116
Pre-wound Bobbin
Scrap of Wool Felt for Initial
Wooden Letter to Trace for Monogram Initial
Wool Roving
Pictogram Pen
150 x 150 Do All Quilters Hoop #920115-096
Tear-A-Way Stabilizer
Clear 2-3mm Embellishment Foot #413 03 04-45
Double Welt Cord Foot #4126271-45
Size 90 Topstitch Needles
1 yard satin cord

Prepare:

1. Fold the canvas in half to measure 12" x 15". Press the crease. The crease is the bottom of the tote bag. Press a 1" hem to the wrong side on each short edge.
2. Serge all edges of the canvas.
3. Trace your monogram initial on the wool felt using a Pictogram Pen (it is air soluble). Cut out your letter.

Cut:

Cut Batik into two strips, one 2" wide, one 4" wide.

Cut the cable cord into two pieces. Set aside.

Embellish:

1. Keep your embellishment in the center of one side of the bag. Either side is fine. Stay in approximately 2" from the raw edges and the bottom crease.

2. Place a small amount of roving on one side of the bag.
3. At the Huskystar ER10 machine, felt the roving onto the canvas. You can add "wisps" of color or keep it mainly light green.
4. Place your alphabet letter on the canvas on the top edge of the felted roving with the bottom of the letter towards the crease. The letter should be slightly overlapping the edge of the roving. Remember, the crease is the bottom of the bag. Check to be sure the letter will be right side up.



- Felt the shape of the letter first to hold it in place. Then go back over the entire letter, and felt the fibers securely in place.




- Hoop Tear-A-Way Stabilizer in the 150 x 150 Do All Quilters Hoop.


Thread with Blendable Thread on top and bobbin thread in the bobbin. Embroider the special Husqvarna Viking Sewing and Stitchery Expo flower Design over the felted areas. When the embroidery is complete, push the release




button, and slide off the hoop. Take the tote out of the hoop leaving the stabilizer in place.

- Leaving the Blendable thread on top and bobbin thread in

the bobbin, select Sewing Mode 

and E3:55 . There is no need to remove the embroidery unit. Snap off the R Embroidery foot, and snap on the Clear B foot. Touch Woven Heavy on the Sewing Advisor. Starting at the flower, stitch “tendrils” going out from the flower. Curve slightly as you sew.

- Stitch the top hems with the same decorative stitch. Stitch from the right side, aligning the fold with the edge of the metal needle plate.
- Snap on the Clear 2-3mm Embellishment

Foot. Select D1:5  Place the satin cord on the fabric, and lower the foot so that the cord lays in the groove on the underside of the foot. Stitch the abstract “frame” around your embellished area. The foot will guide the satin cord as you guide the fabric.



Make the Handles:

- Place the two pieces of cable cord side by side on the wrong side of the 2” strip of Batik. Wrap the 2” strip of Batik around the cable cords. The cords should be side by side inside the Batik. Snap on the Double Welt Cord Foot. Place the raw edge to the right. Place the right cord in the left groove of the foot. Select Seam on the Sewing Advisor. Stitch “next to” the cord. Trim the seam allowance to 1/8”.

- “Roll” the fabric around the cord so that the seam allowance is centered on the underside.

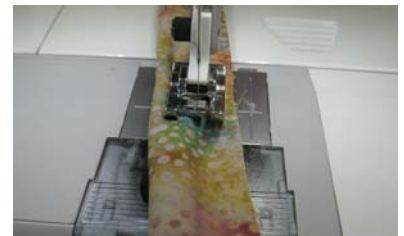
- Fold the 4” strip in half lengthwise and press.



- Fold again so the raw edges are in the center and press.



- Place the strip in your machine with the raw edges up. Place the double welt cord strip on top of the flat strip, covering the raw edge, centered with the raw edge of the seam allowance on the bottom. Lower the double welt cord foot onto the strip so the



- two cords lay in the grooves on the underside of the foot. Stitch down the center of the cord.

- Cut in half. Serge the ends of the handles.

Finish the Bag:

- Place the handles on the wrong side of the bag at each top hemmed edge, 2” in from the edges. Pin in place. Sew from the right side. Snap on the “A” Foot. Using a straight stitch, (Seam in the Sewing Advisor) stitch over the center line of the hem stitching, and sew the handles in place.

- Select Woven Heavy on the Sewing Advisor. Seam. With right sides together, sew the side seams. Start sewing at the top of the seam, back tack and continue sewing the seam,

back tacking at the other end.