

HANDY KWANZAA TOTE BAG



Find some fun Zwanzaa fabrics to make this colorful and handy tote bag. Lined and quilted this bag is sturdy as well as useful. Embroider fruit to the contrasting pocket.

Supplies

Tote bag pattern (such as Baggitt from Design and Planning Concepts)

Fabric yardage according to pattern (outer, lining and pocket)
Cotton batting or fusible fleece
Velcro® brand SEW-ON coins
Rayon thread
Tear-away stabilizer

1. Trace the pocket onto the right side of the pocket fabric. Mark the placement for the small fruit embroidery in the center of the marked lines.
2. Set your embroidery sewing machine for embroidery and after transferring your design into the appropriate format for your machine select the Kwanzaa motif.. Back the fabric with the tear-away stabilizer and place in the embroidery hoop centering on the mark. Embroider the motif. Changing thread colors as directed.
3. Remove the fabric from the hoop and carefully tear away the stabilizer. Cut out pocket piece.
4. Cut out the remaining tote bag pieces according to the pattern instructions and construct as directed.