

All That Jazz Tote Bag



Like a fine-tuned piano, the Baby Lock Jazz sewing machine will be your sewing instrument. With the 28 built-in stitches, creativity is never an issue. Come play and discover the ease and durability of this machine.

Skill Level: Beginner

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Supplies:

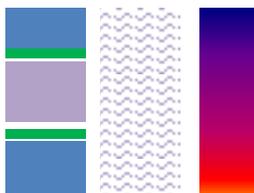
Baby Lock Jazz Sewing Machine
 1 Yard of Jazz print fabric
 1 Yard purple fabric
 1 Yard of bright green fabric
 1 Yard of white fabric
 Baby Lock Ultra Soft Stabilizer (BLC204)
 Erasable marking pen
 Rotary cutting system
 Madeira Matt thread: yellow, green, gold, purple and white
 2 Jute webbing sections 60" long
 Basic sewing supplies

Instructions:

1. Begin by cutting a piece each from the white fabric and the Ultra Soft Stabilizer that measure 20" x 9". Fuse the Baby Lock Ultra Soft Stabilizer to the back of the white fabric. This will be trimmed to the required size in a later step.
2. Using the erasable marking pen, draw a straight line across the 9" width on the white fabric. This line will be the guideline for sewing straight lines across the fabric.
3. Select one of the 28 decorative built-in stitches in the Jazz machine. Thread the machine with the purple thread. Adjust the tension and sew a test on a different piece of fabric.
4. Place the presser foot along the left edge of the drawn line and stitch across the width of the fabric section. Change the color of thread, select a different decorative stitch and sew the second line. Place the presser foot along the last sewn decorative stitch as your guide. Repeat this procedure until you have filled in the length of the 20" section with decorative stitches. The decorative stitch section should look similar to the illustration below.



5. Trim the decorative stitched piece to 7 1/2" x 15 1/2". This section will be the center front of the tote.
6. To create the left side of the tote, cut the following sections:
 - From the Jazz fabric cut one section 3 1/2" x 5 1/2" (top section), and another that measure 5" x 5 1/2" for the bottom.
 - Cut two strips from the bright green fabric 1 1/4" x 5 1/2". (Sashing)
 - Cut one piece 5 1/2 x 6 1/2" from the purple fabric for the center section.



7. Sew the sections together and press the seams open. Tip: at this point I fused the Ultra Soft Stabilizer to all of the outside sections to create a bag that has the same weight uniformly.
8. Cut three sections from the Jazz fabric the same size as the tote front. One section will be for the back and the other two are for the lining.
9. Sew the two lining sections together leaving a 5" opening on one of the sides for turning the bag.
10. Pin the two jute handles along the vertical seam lines on both the front and the back of the tote sections. Sew the jute handles in place.
11. With right sides together, sew the back to the front of the tote, keeping the handles free and stitch on three of the four sides. Leave the top open.
12. To create the box corners, pinch apart the two layers of the tote to get form a triangle. Flatten it down a little bit and make sure the top and bottom seams are lined up. Finger press.
13. Place the tote on the cutting table. Measure up 2" up from the corner and draw a straight line. Stitch over this line. Repeat for the opposite side of the tote bag. Trim the corners.
14. Use the same directions to create the box corners on the lining section.
15. Turn the tote right side out but leave the lining section with the wrong side out.
16. Place the lining section over the outside of tote, with the top edges even and sew along the top edge of the tote being sure that the handles are free.
17. Turn the bag right side out through the opening on the lining. Press and then top stitch around the top edge.
18. Hand-sew the opening on the lining.

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