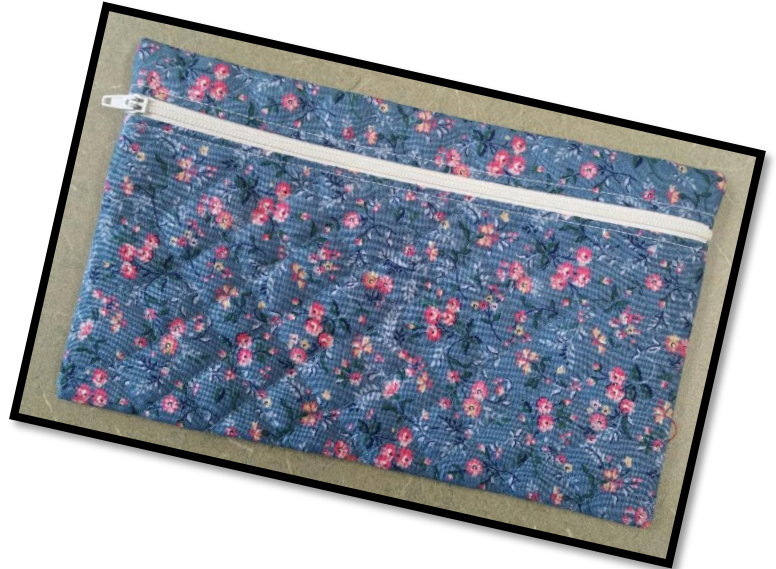




Zipper bag by Serger

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This zippered bag makes a great size bag to carry scissors or many other things in. Vary the size according to your desired size, just keep in mind to be sure and have a zipper at least 4"-6" longer than the fabric edge you will be putting the zipper in.



Supplies

¼ yard pre-quilted fabric or quilt your own 1- 14" zipper Serger thread to match or neutral color 1 – 7/8" wide ribbon cut 3" long	Serger feet: 5mm cording foot
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1. Cut a rectangle of pre-quilted fabric 9" x 11".

NOTE: To quilt your own fabric choose 2 fabrics and a batting 10" x 12" or your desired size. Set for a decorative chain stitch and quilt the fabrics together with batting sandwiched between the fabrics. Once quilted, trim down to 9" x 11" and proceed.

If embroidery is desired, do so now. Make sure the embroidery file is approximately 2" tall by about 7" long. Measure 2" from top edge on one 11" side and draw a mark in the center for the embroidery. Hoop tear away stabilizer and with temporary spray adhesive, attach the fabric and embroider.

2. With the cording foot attached and a 4-thread balanced overlock, open zipper and place the zipper along the 9" edge of fabric right side of zipper facing the fabric. Place under the presser foot with the zipper on top of the fabric and the teeth of the zipper in the groove in the cording foot. Serge to attach.
3. Close zipper and fold up opposite edge to align fabric, pin in place. Open zipper and repeat the same process attaching the zipper to this side. Turn bag right sides out, close zipper and fold bag with zipper about 1" down from one folded edge.
4. Open zipper about 1" and bar tack or hand tack very close to the seam allowance area so the zipper can be opened as you finish the sides so no need to worry about catching any metal in the cutting blade.
5. Turn wrong sides out, insert short ribbon tab close to the open end of the zipper and serge down both edges of the bag with the zipper open enough to turn when finished.
6. Turn bag right sides out and you have a handy bag to carry your supplies to class in or many other things.