

One Seam Purse

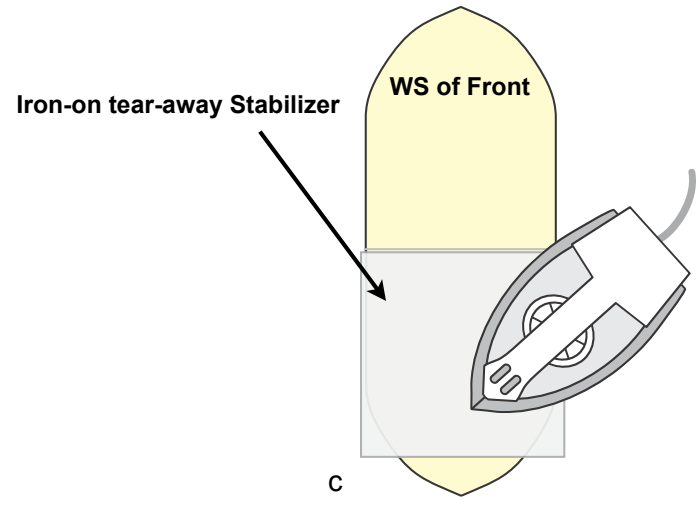
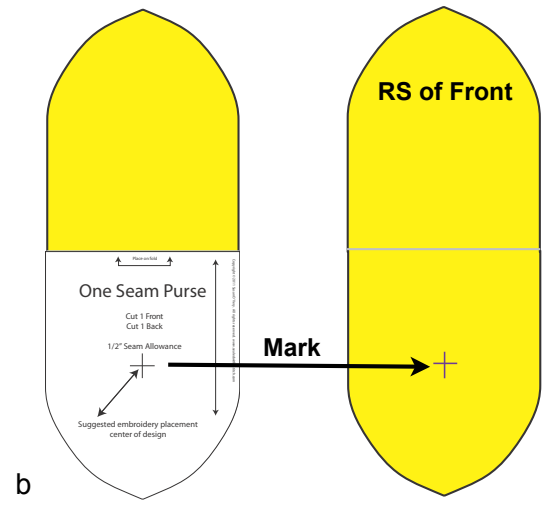
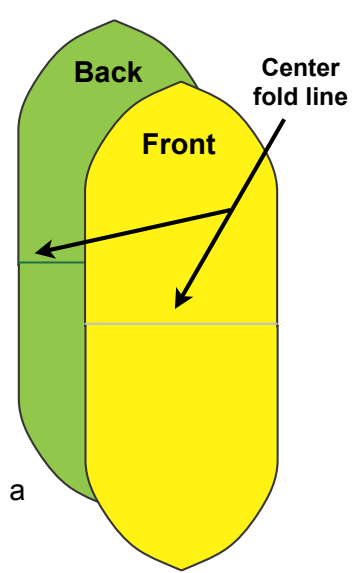
Read all instructions before beginning this project!

Materials	Threads	Tools
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (1) Fat quarter (Front) • (1) Fat quarter (Back) • (1) 8"x8" piece of iron-on tear-away stabilizer 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bobbin thread • Embroidery thread to match design • Sewing thread to match fat quarter <p><i>To create your own Handle and Tassel:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3-5 different colors of Pearl Crown Rayon thread to make your own (Handle and Tassel) <p>OR</p> <p><i>Buy ready made Handle and Tassel:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (1-1/2 yd) of 1/4"-1/2" wide ribbon (Handle) • (1) 3" Tassel 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1/4" Foot or Zipper foot (optional) • Hoop with 4" x 4" sewing area (Choose a design to fit inside this area) • Straight pins and Iron • Fabric Sheers and Embroidery snips • Marking pen or pencil • Embroidery needle size 11 & Standard size 12 • Point turner • Empty bobbin to make the Handle • Bodkin or safety pin (for feeding the Handle into casing) • "My Own Fringe Maker™" to create Tassel • Low adhesive tape (such as the kind painters use) • Iron on fusible web 1/4" - 3/8" wide (i.e. Steam-A-Seam®) • Multipurpose Point Former & Tube Turner (found at www.sealedwithastitch.com)

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Step 1: Prepare Fabric

- Cut **Front** and **Back** from pattern. Fold in half and press to create the center fold line.
- On **Front** of purse, mark placement for the design following pattern (adjust as needed).
- On WS of fabric, press the iron-on tear-away stabilizer where the design will be embroidered. NOTE: The stabilizer will go beyond the fabric.



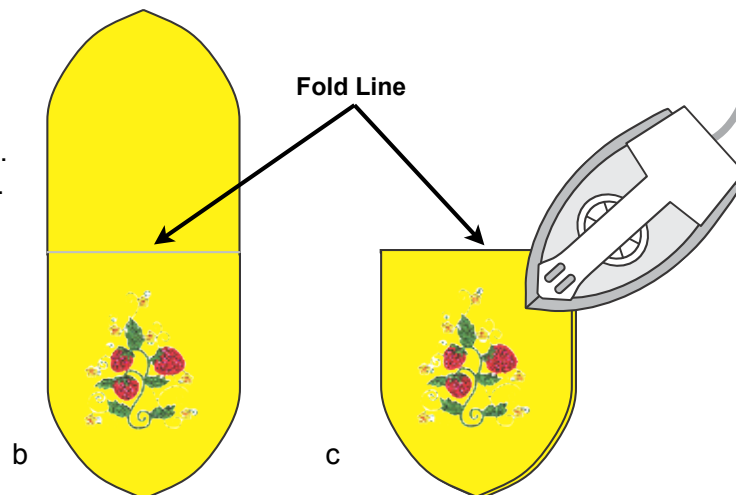
Susan's Tip: Strawberry design is from the "Sweet Mylar Strawberries" embroidery collection from www.sealedwithastitch.com.



Step 2: Embroider Design

- Hoop fabric lining up side up using the hoop's grid (not shown). Stitch embroidery design of your choice.
- Remove hoop from machine and fabric from hoop. Carefully remove stabilizer from WS of fabric.
- Fold **Front** in half on fold line. Press.

Susan's Tip: Try to avoid pressing the top of any embroidery design. Doing so can crush the stitches.



Susan's Tip: Before removing iron-on tear-away stabilizer use a dry iron on the back of the embroidered area. Start pressing from one corner to the other corner. This will warm up the stabilizer and make removing it a cinch. This will also help set the stitches.

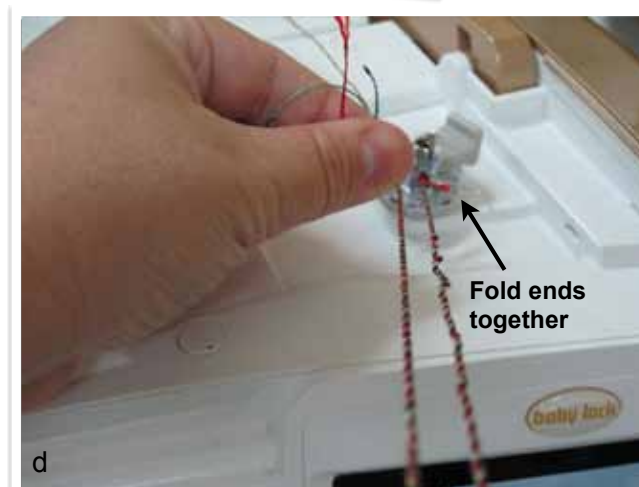
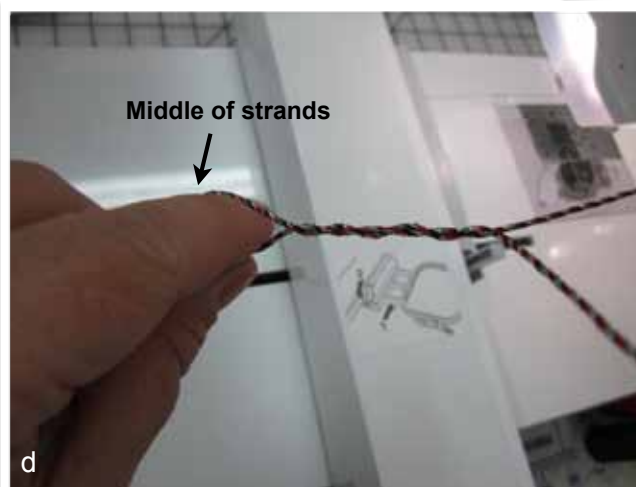
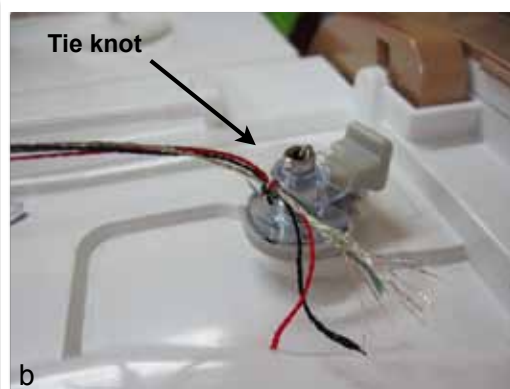
Step 3: Handle

If you are using ribbon for the Handle, skip to **Step 4**. If you are making your own handle using Pearl Crown Rayon and an empty bobbin, read below.

- This bag requires (2) handles cut to 24" long. When making your own handles with this method, multiply the total length you want by 3. For example:

27" x 3 = 81" (cut all the strands to 81" long)

- Use between 3-5 colors (or strands) of Pearl Crown Rayon. Sample has 4 colors. Feed the ends of all strands through the hole on the top of the empty bobbin. Tie a few knots to secure.
- If your bobbin winder allows you to control the winding speed, slow it as slow as it will go. Hold the other end of all strands tightly so they do not get away from you. As bobbin is winding, do not let the strands go around the bobbin. This process is to wind the strands onto themselves.
- After the entire length of cords have been wound, find the middle of the "handle". Fold the ends together and let it wind on top of itself. Tie an knot at the ends. Your handle is finished. Repeat for second handle.

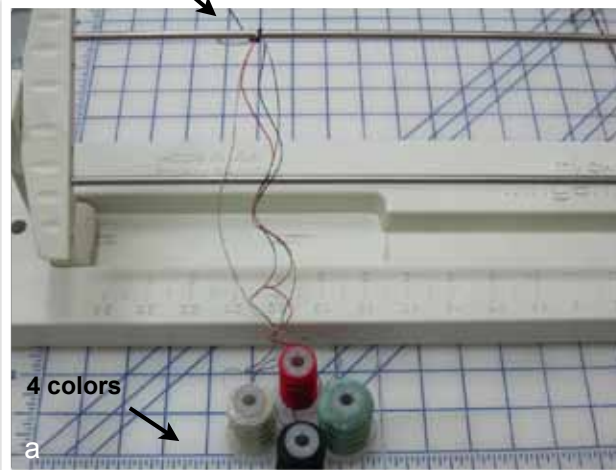


Step 4: Tassel

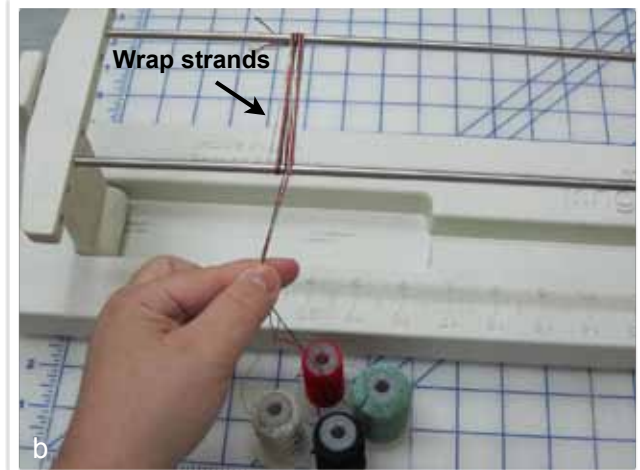
If you are making the Tassel by using “My Own Fringe Maker™”, follow the instructions that come with it, go to www.myownfringemaker.com to watch videos or review the basic instructions below. If you are using a store bought tassel, skip to **Step 5**.

- a) Set up “My Own Fringe Maker™” as manufacturers instructions show. This bag requires (1) 3” long tassel. Use between 3-5 colors (or strands) of Pearl Crown Rayon. Sample has 4 colors. Tie the ends of all the strands together around the metal bars to secure.
- b) Wrap the strands around the bars about 15 full rotations. Use handle (not shown).
- c) Cut an extra 15-20” piece from one of the colors for the hanger. Feed in through the tassel and bring toward the top. Tie several knots (this is for the hanger - not shown).
- d) Cut a 15”-20” piece from one of the colors (sample shows black) for the hanger and feed in through the tassel and bring toward the top of the tassel, tie several knots (not shown).
- e) Wrap the 15”-20” for the top of the tassel around several times and tie a knot. Use a double eye needle or crochet hook to pull the end of the strands through to the inside of the tassel.
- f) Remove the tassel off the “My Own Fringe Maker™” and cut the bottom of the tassel.
- g) Set iron to appropriate heat setting and press tassel flat.

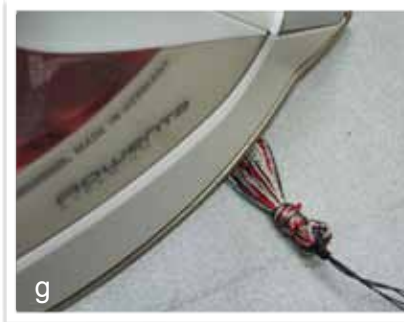
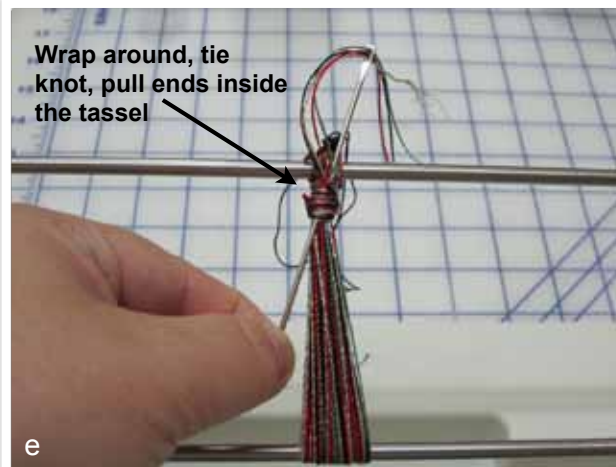
Tie knot



Wrap strands



Wrap around, tie knot, pull ends inside the tassel



Step 5: Purse Construction

- Place tassel at the lowest part on **Front** of purse with the fullness inside the **Front** of the purse. This way when the purse is opened, the tassel will fall below the bottom of the purse. Secure with low adhesive tape. Tie a knot in the tail of the tassel.
- Place **Front** on top of the **Back** aligning the center fold line.
- Fold the **Back** over the **Front** lining up the raw edges. Pin in place.
- Measure 1" down from the center fold line on both sides and place a mark. Use a 1/2" S.A. Stitch from one side to the other and leave a 3-4" opening. Backstitch over the tassel tail area a few times to help secure. Trim **S.A.** down to about 1/4" in curved areas (not shown). Do not cut tail off tassel.

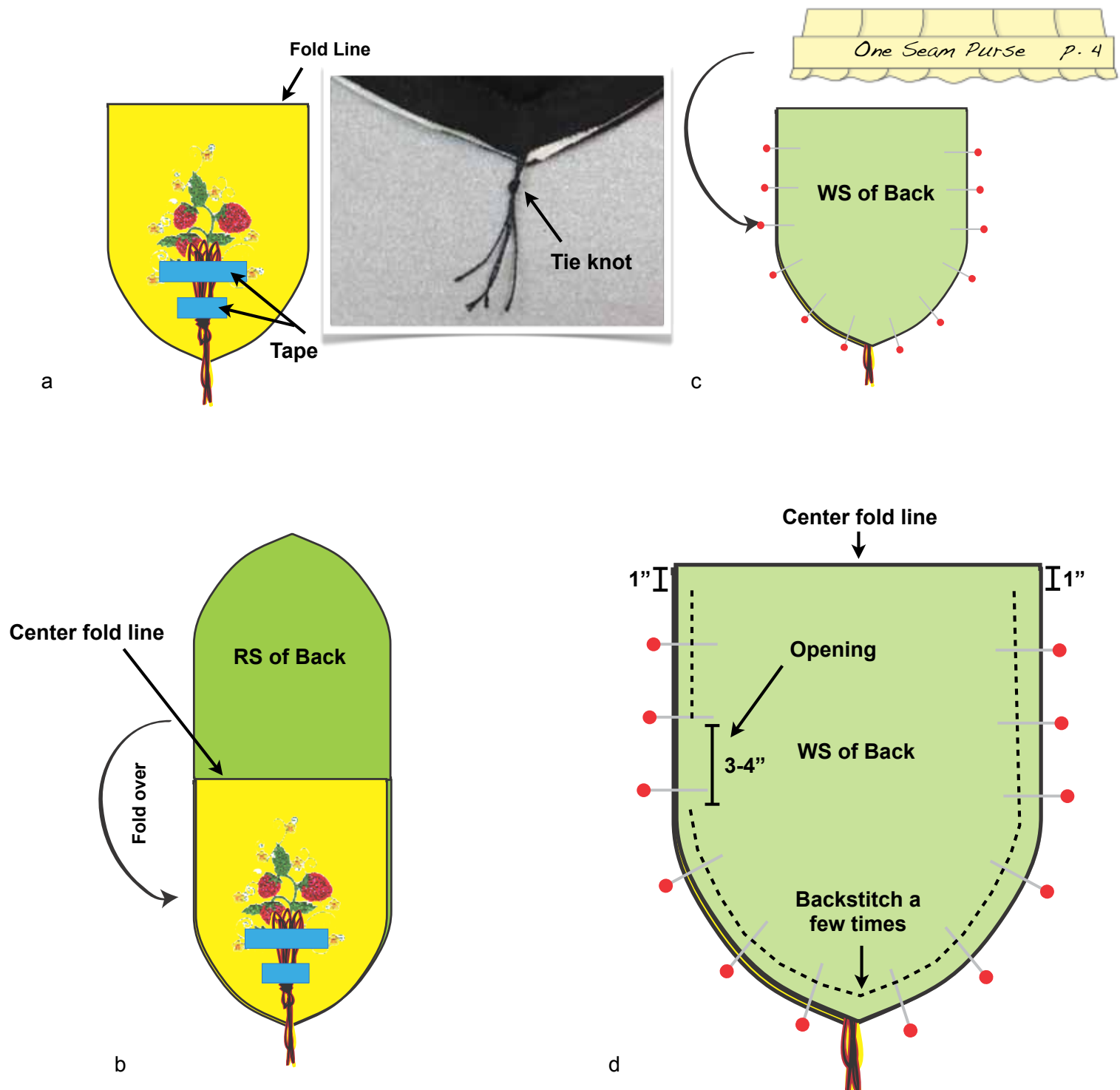
NOTE: Try using the 1/4" foot or adjustable zipper foot to get as close to the tassel as possible. To learn more about presser feet for your sewing machine, check out the "Doing More With Your Feet" DVD at www.sealedwithastitch.com

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Step 6: Finishing the inside of Purse

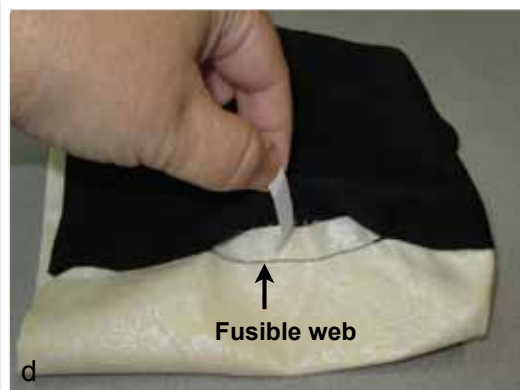
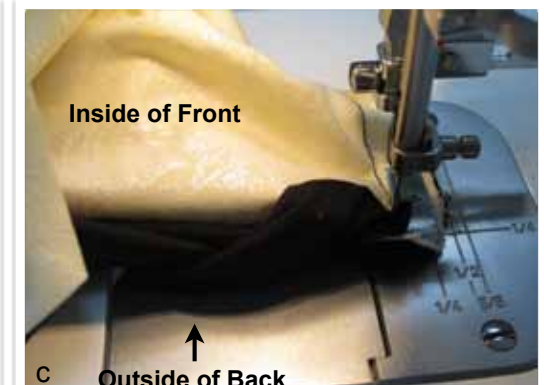
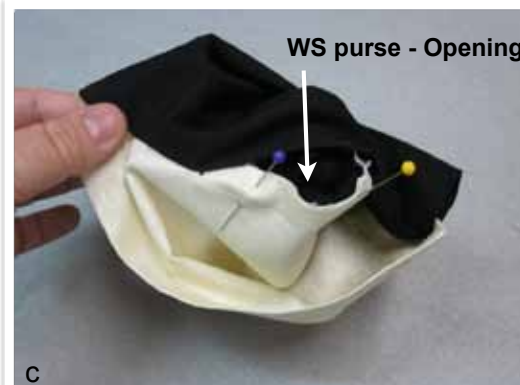
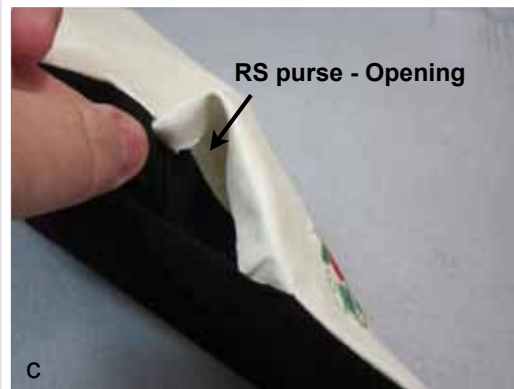
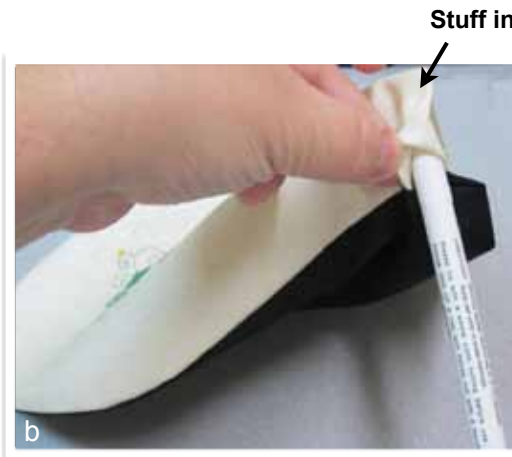
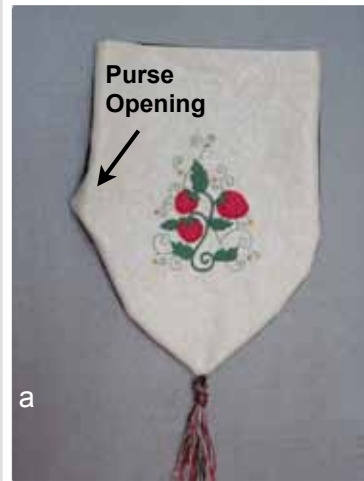
a) Turn purse RS out. Remove tape. Keep turning until purse **Front**, with embroidery and tassel hang properly.

b) Stuff the 1" opening area back into the purse on each side. Press (not shown).

c) Carefully turn purse WS out at the side opening. Find the outside of the **Back**, and both pieces of the **Front** of purse. Stitch following the 1/2" S.A. and sew the opening closed.

d) Note, the **Back** lining is still a loose piece.

Use a small amount of Iron-on fusible web on opening. This will close up the side **Back** lining opening. Hand stitch if desired. Press to secure the fusible.

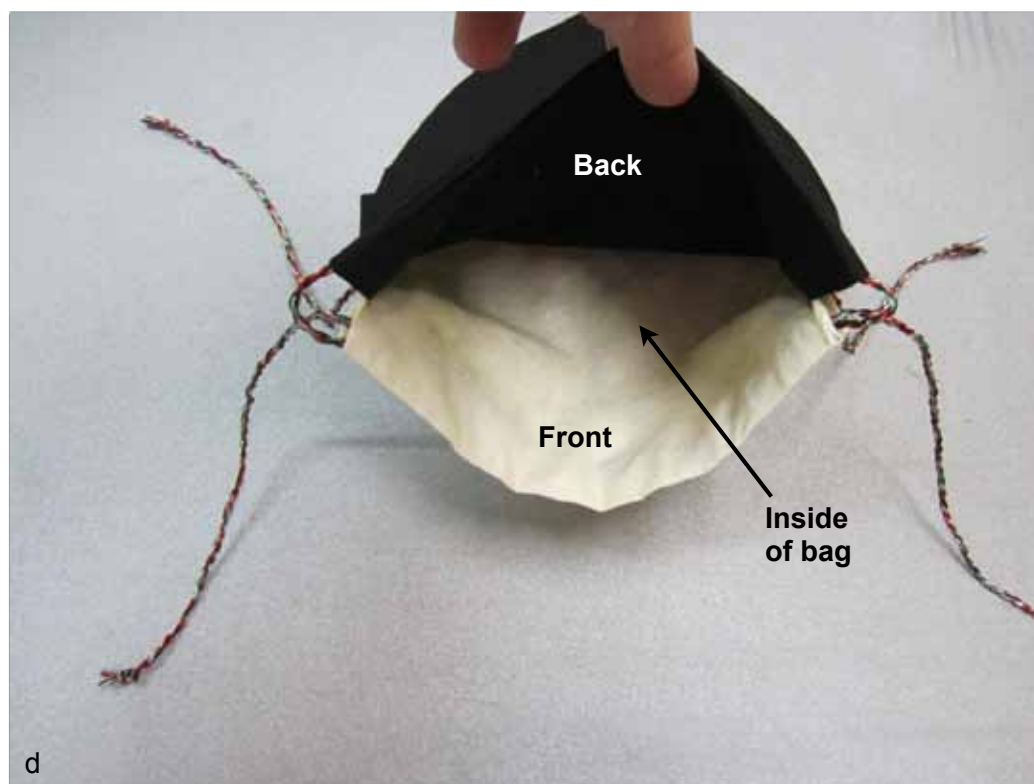


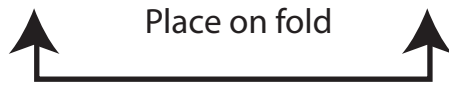
Susan's Tip: Use the Multipurpose Point Former & Tuber Turner for turning the purse right side out, found at www.sealedwithastitch.com.



Step 7: Handle

- a) Turn purse RS out (not shown).
- b) Measure (2) handles to 27" long, whether using ribbon or twisted Pearl Crown Rayon (not shown).
- c) Using a bodkin or safety pin, thread one piece of the handle through the **Front** of the bag. Enter and exit through the **Front**. Enter through **Back** casing and exit so the handle tails are on the same side.
- d) Repeat Step b, except this time start from the opposite side.
- e) Tie knots at the handle ends. Draw handles together to close bag.

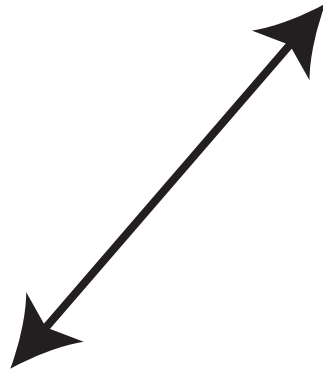
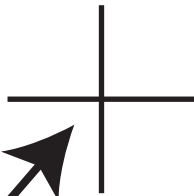




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Cut 1 Front
Cut 1 Back

1/2" Seam Allowance



Suggested embroidery placement
center of design



Box should
measure
1" square