

The Terri

An in-the-hoop project

An over-the-shoulder/cross-body purse with 3 pockets. Back pocket is zippered and full length of the purse. Middle pocket is open, behind the flap. Front pocket has a flap closure and includes a card sleeve that holds 6 cards. Adjustable strap (as shown) requires a little regular sewing. **Requires a very large hoop (200x260mm).** *Approximate finished size 7.25 x 9.5"*
Includes patterns, SVG/FCM/DXF cutting files and instructions for marine vinyl strap loops.



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1Loop75_MV	2Terri_FLAP	3Terri_PCKT
44x60mm 1.73 x 2.36"	178 x 106mm 7.01" x 4.17	198 x 164 7.8" x 6.46
4Terri_CARD	5Terri_FRNT	6Terri_BACK
198 x 170mm 7.8 x 6.69"	198 x 254mm 7.8 x 10"	198 x 254mm 7.8 x 10"

Other Supplies	<p>2 oz. cutaway stabilizer - 6 pieces to fit in hoop. <i>May substitute polymesh for all except STRAP LOOPS and BACK to reduce bulk.</i></p> <p>Magnetic snap for flap closure (<i>May use KamSnap instead.</i>)</p> <p>(2-3) #20 KamSnaps sets for strap loops/flap</p> <p>12" zipper (#3 nylon skirt/dress zipper)</p> <p>¾" wide poly webbing: cut to preferred length for non-adjustable strap; 60" for adjustable strap</p> <p>¾" metal rectangular loops (2) for permanent strap. <i>See pictures below.</i></p> <p>¾" gate (snap) clips (2) for removable strap. <i>See pictures next page.</i></p> <p>¾" 2 loop slider (1) for adjustable strap. <i>See pictures below.</i></p> <p>Transpore tape, masking tape, scotch tape</p> <p><i>Optional - Dritz Wonder Tape</i> double sided, water soluble, sew through tape for applying zipping</p> <p>Bobbin and embroidery thread - I recommend using poly thread throughout this design.</p> <p>See the Links page on my website for a list of my favorite suppliers.</p>
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Cutting Chart		
I suggest marking each piece of fabric with the corresponding letter		
A. Strap Tabs	Marine vinyl	(2) 2.5 x 2.75
B. Flap	Fabric 1	8 x 5.25"
C. Flap Lining	Fabric 2	8 x 5.25"
D. Flap Stabilizer	2 oz cutaway stabilizer	8 x 5.25"
E. Pocket	Fabric 3	8.5 x 14
F. Card Sleeve¹	Fabric 2	8.5 x 26
G. Sleeve Sides¹	Fabric 2	2 x 7.75
H. Pocket Back	Fabric 3	8.5 x 7.5
I. Front	Fabric 3	8.5 x 11
J. Front Batting* see page 2	Fusible fleece	8.5 x 11"
K. Linings	Fabric 2	(2) 8.5 x 11
L. Back	Fabric 3 or 4	8.5" x 11

¹ If you are not making the card sleeve, substitute an 8.5 x 7.5" piece of Fabric 2 for pieces **F** and **G**.

Suggested fabrics: Cottons or quilting cottons for flap, pocket, and linings. Linings may also be made from regular lining fabric to help reduce bulk. The flap may also be made from faux suede/leather or pleather.

*Apply the fusible fleece to the back of **FRONT (I)**. You may substitute a very thin batting or piece of flannel for the fusible fleece and place when directed in Part 5.



Loops for purse straps.

Sliders can be plastic or metal. Use the correct width for your strap. You don't want it too large, or your straps won't stay the length you set them.



Gate Clips. Come in several sizes and are great for removable purse straps.



Special Precautions

You will be hooping only the stabilizer. It needs to be tight in the hoop with no slippage. You do not want the project to start sagging part way through.

You will be taking the hoop on and off the machine a number of times. Be very careful not to move the embroidery unit. Also be very careful not to disturb the project in the hoop. Place it on a flat surface while working. This will help keep the project from shifting in the hoop while you work.

If you tape the pieces down, don't put the tape right against the seam allowance. Some machines do not behave well when the foot is running over tape. The foot will drag causing skipped stitches as well as broken threads and needles. You can tape across the corners instead of on the sides.

Please stay with your machine at all times. Watch that the foot does not become caught in the fabric layers.

In case of broken needle or thread

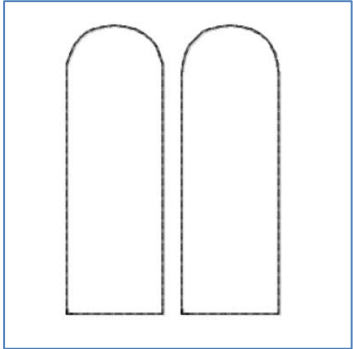
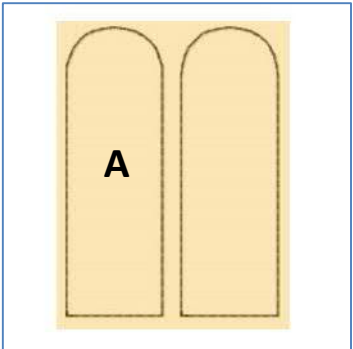
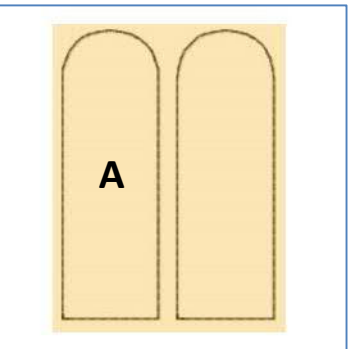
(Parts 1-4) *If you need to back up during the sew-out, move to the thickest part of the project and restart from that position.*

(Parts 5 & 6 – Front and Back) *If you need to go back during the sew-out, remove the hoop, and return to the **START** of the color stop. Return the hoop to the machine and then advance the needle to the position where you wish to start. **You do NOT want the foot passing over the center of the project at any time** – it is too thick and will stop the foot as it tries to cross. Adjust these instructions per your machine's behavior.*



CutNSew Strap Loops

If necessary, set the size of the strap loop (**1Loop75_MV**) in your cutting software to **44x60mm (1.73 x 2.36")**. Cut 2 pieces per loop. *It is not necessary to mirror image the backs as these are symmetrical shapes.*

1 Strap Loops	
Cutting files in DXF/FCM/SVG formats are included. <i>Images show the sew 'n cut method.</i>	
Hoop 2 oz. cutaway stabilizer. Load 1Loop75_MV into the machine. <i>Use tearaway if you precut the loops.</i>	
1	Stitch Color #1 , the placement for the loops. 
2A	Remove the hoop from the machine turning it over to the BACK . Place it on a flat surface.
2B	Center one STRAP LOOP (A) (or two precut strap loops) FACE UP over the placement stitches. These will be the back side of the loop. <i>Tape to stabilizer with transpore tape.</i> 
2C	Turn the hoop over to the FRONT and place it on a flat surface.
2D	Center the remaining STRAP LOOP (A) (or two precut strap loops) FACE UP over the placement stitches. <i>Tape to stabilizer with transpore tape.</i> 

2E	Return the hoop to the machine. Stitch Color #2 using a contrasting thread color. This tacks the vinyl to the stabilizer and establishes the cutting lines. <i>Skip this step if you precut the pieces on your cutting machine.</i>
3	Stitch Color #3 , the bean stitch outline and snap placement circles. <i>The back side will be visible in the finished project so you may wish to use matching thread in the bobbin.</i>
4	Remove the hoop from the machine. Remove the project from the hoop. Remove tape.
5	<p>If manually cutting, carefully cut just inside the outer stitching lines.</p> <p>If you precut the tabs, tear away the excess stabilizer.</p>
6	Lay aside. Continue with 2 Flap next page.

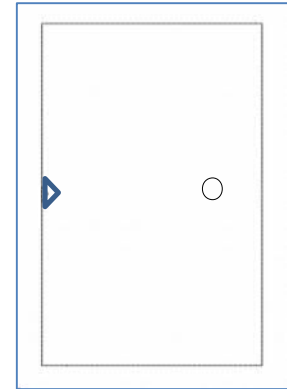


2 Flap

Hoop one piece of 2 oz. cutaway stabilizer. Load **1Terri_FLAP** into your machine.

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Place the hoop on the machine. **Stitch Color #1**, the placement outline for the flap and placement circle for the snap. *The triangle on one long edge indicates the top of the flap.*



2A

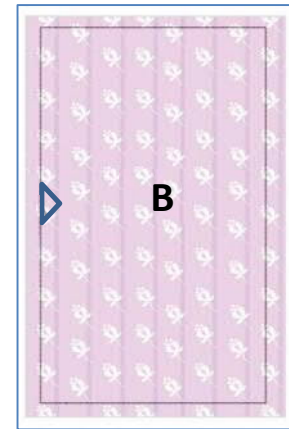
Remove the hoop from the machine. Place it **RIGHT SIDE UP** on a flat surface.

2B

Center **FLAP (B) FACE UP** over the placement stitching. All sides overlap the placement stitching by $\frac{1}{4}$ " to $\frac{1}{2}$ ".

The small triangle indicates the top edge of the flap (straight edge). *If the fabric is directional, place it so the print runs in the direction the triangle points.*

Tape/pin edges securely in place.



2C

Return the hoop to the machine. **Stitch Color #2**, tacking the fabric down.

3

Stitch Color #3, the *optional* faux topstitching.

4A

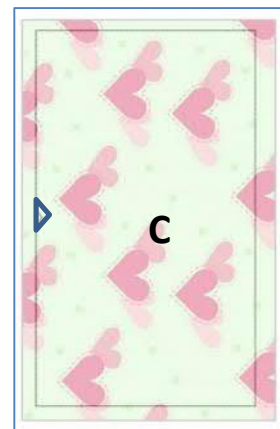
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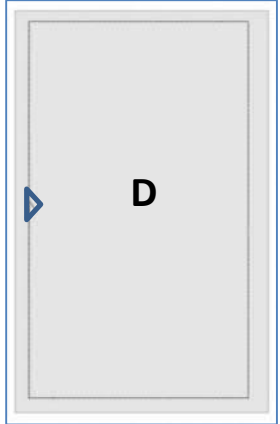

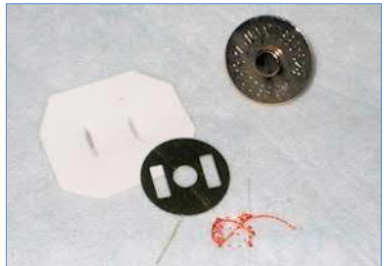


4B


Center **FLAP LINING (C), FACE DOWN**, over the flap, matching raw edges.

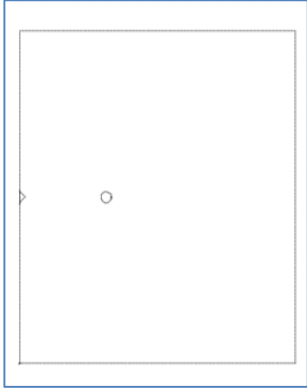
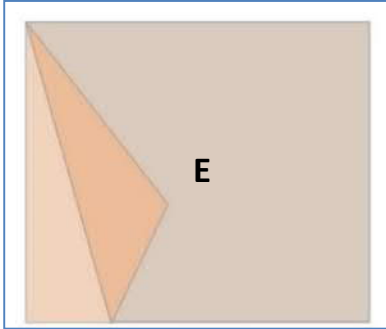
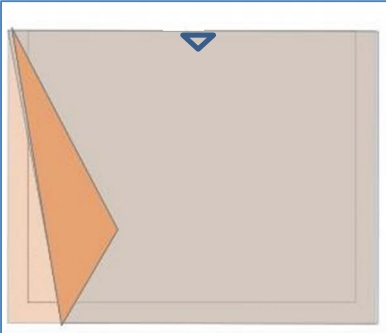
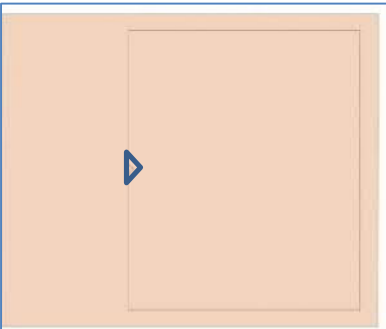
If the fabric is directional, place it so the print is upside down (bottom of design along edge with triangle). It will be right side up when the flap is opened.


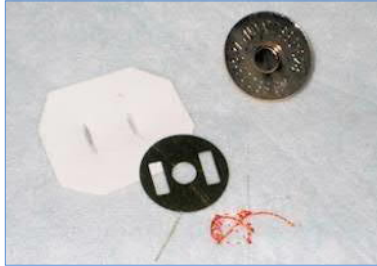


Tape/pin in place.





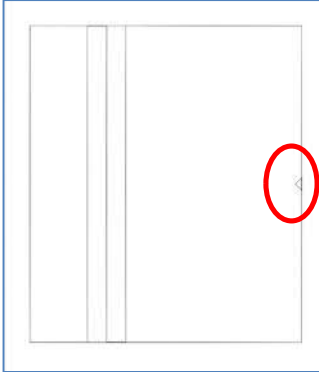
4C	<p>Center FLAP STABILIZER (D), over the fabric in the hoop, covering the stitching lines. This will firm up the lining and reinforce it for the snap.</p> <p>Tape/pin in place.</p>	
4D	<p>Return the hoop to the machine. Stitch Color #4, the seam lines.</p>	
5	<p>Remove project from the machine. Remove project from the hoop. Remove tape/pins.</p>	
6	<p>Turn the project over so you can see the stitches better. Trim all layers close to the outer row of stitching on all 4 sides.</p>	
NOTE	<p>If applying a KamSnap, the CAP goes on the front and the STUD goes on the back. <i>The CAP can go inside the flap if you do not wish it to show on the front. In this case, add a small piece of 2 oz. cutaway stabilizer to help strengthen the flap in that area.</i></p>	
7A	<p>Apply the male half of the magnetic snap to the flap lining.</p> <p>Here I have the snap, the metal washer that came with it, and an extra reinforcement piece that I cut from an inexpensive kitchen cutting mat (or plastic milk jug). It is about 1" square. Trim the corners off and cut slits in it using the washer as a template.</p>	
7B	<p>Lay the washer over the snap placement stitching. Using a pencil, mark the two slots onto the stabilizer.</p> <p>With a sharp pair of scissors, carefully snip the stabilizer and the flap LINING on the marks, making slits just long enough for the prongs of the snap to go through.</p>	
7C	<p>Slide the snap inside the flap and push the prongs through the slits in the lining to the stabilizer side.</p> <p>Push the extra reinforcement over the prongs, followed by the metal washer.</p>	

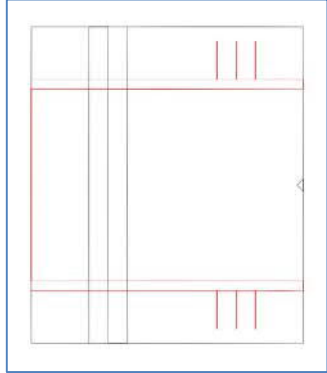
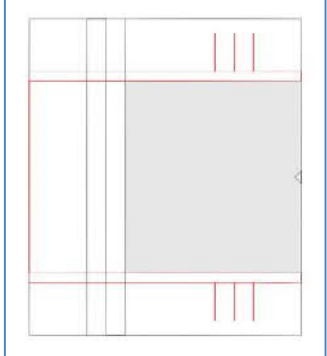
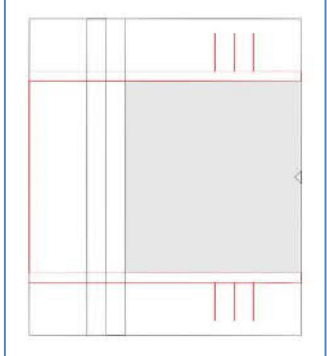
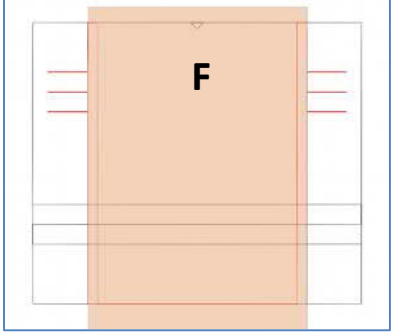
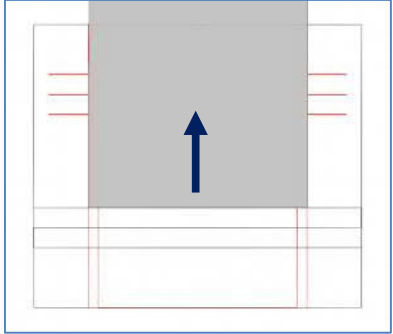
7D	<p>Push the prongs down snugly against the washer. You can use a flat-bladed screwdriver or a pair of pliers to push them down. Place a couple layers of batting underneath the snap on the other side, and give it a couple of taps from the back with a small hammer.</p>	
8	<p>Press seam to set. Turn right side out. Press again.</p>	
9	<p>Set aside. Continue with 3 Pocket on page 6.</p>	

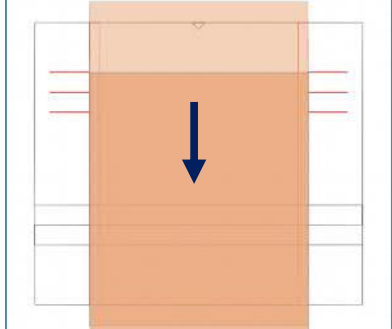
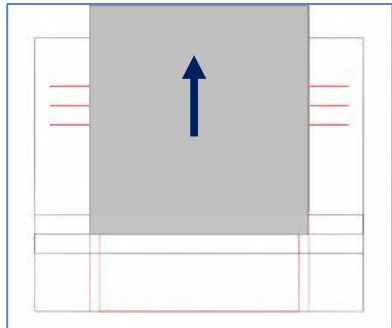
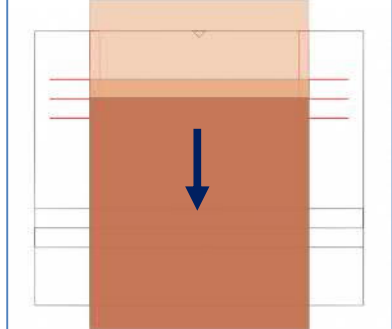
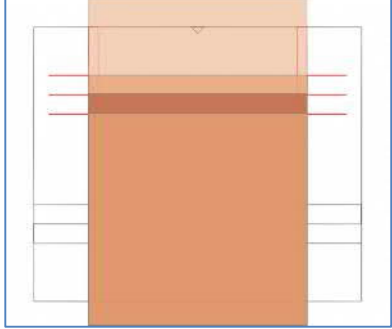
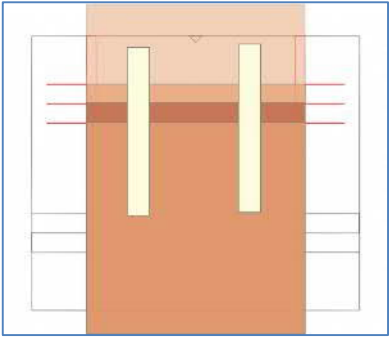
3 Pocket	
	Hoop one piece of 2 oz. cutaway stabilizer. Load 3Terri_PCKT into your machine. Rotate the design in the hoop so the triangle on the long edge is to the open side of the machine. <i>That would be to the bottom on a multi-needle machine and to the left on a single needle machine.</i>
1	Place the hoop on the machine. Stitch Color #1 , the placement outline for the pocket. It also stitches the placement circle for the snap. <div style="float: right; border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px;">  </div>
2A	Remove the hoop from the machine. Place it RIGHT SIDE UP on a flat surface.
2B	Fold the POCKET FABRIC (E) in half, RIGHT SIDES TOGETHER , so it measures 8.5 x 7" Press the fold to crease it. <div style="float: right; border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px;">  </div>
2C	Place the folded POCKET FABRIC (E) over the placement stitching, with the fold along the top stitching line (marked with a triangle). <i>You may use a light coating of washable glue stick on the stabilizer to hold the fabric in place.</i> <i>The triangle indicates the top edge of the pocket. Position the print of your fabric accordingly.</i> The two sides and the bottom should extend beyond the stitching lines approximately 1/2" on each edge. <div style="float: right; border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px;">  </div>
2D	Unfold the pocket. The top half of the pocket will extend over the edge of the hoop. Do not trim the extra fabric. It will become the pocket lining. Tape/pin in place. <div style="float: right; border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px;">  </div>

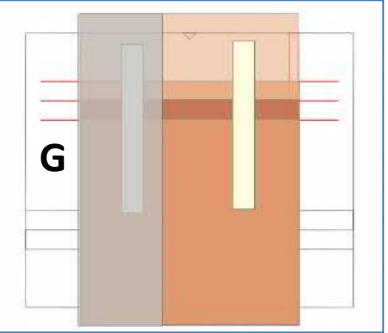
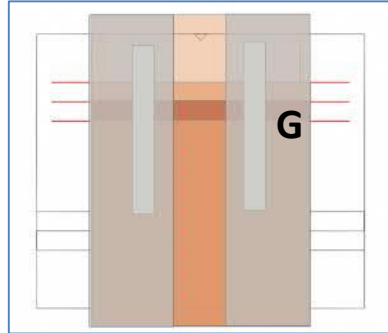
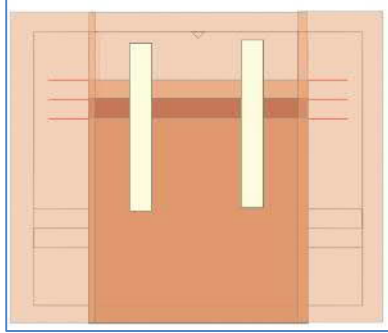
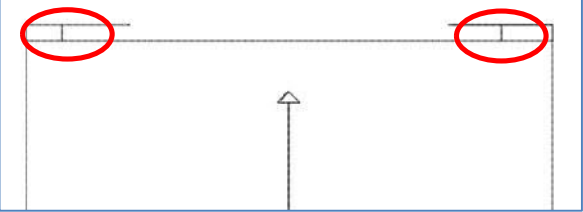
2E	Return the hoop to the machine. Stitch Color #2 , tacking the fabric down.
3	Stitch Color #3 , the optional quilting.
4	Stitch Color #4 , the optional faux topstitching.
5	Remove the hoop from the machine. Remove the project from the hoop. Remove tape/pins.
6	<p>Carefully trim away the excess stabilizer, cutting it even with fabric edges on the two long sides and rounded end. Trim it close to the folded edge of the pocket, taking care not to trim any of the fabric at this time.</p> 
7	Transfer the snap placement marking (back of stabilizer) to the front of the pocket, using your favorite method.
NOTE	If applying a KamSnap, the CAP goes on the back and the SOCKET goes on the front. <i>The CAP can go inside the pocket if you do not wish it to show. In this case, add a small piece of cutaway stabilizer to help strengthen the pocket in that area.</i>
8A	<p>Apply the male half of the magnetic snap to the flap lining.</p> <p>Here I have the snap, the metal washer that came with it, and an extra reinforcement piece that I cut from an inexpensive kitchen cutting mat (or plastic milk jug). It is about 1" square. Trim the corners off and cut slits in it using the washer as a template.</p> 
8B	<p>Apply the female side of the magnetic snap to the front side of the pocket (the side with the placement stitching).</p> <p>Here I have the snap, the metal washer that came with it, and an extra reinforcement piece (see step 7A, page 7).</p> 
8C	<p>Lay the washer over the snap placement stitching. Using a pencil, mark the two slots onto the stabilizer.</p> <p>With a sharp pair of scissors, carefully snip the stabilizer and the pocket front on the marks, making slits just long enough for the prongs of the snap to go through. <i>Do NOT snip through the lining.</i></p> 

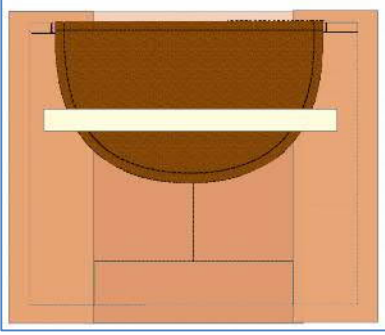
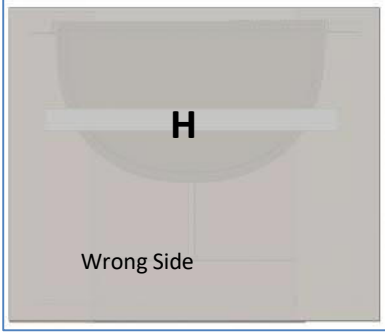

8D	<p>Insert the snap from the front side of the pocket so the prongs come through on the stabilizer side.</p> <p>Push the extra reinforcement over the prongs, followed by the metal washer.</p>	
8E	<p>Push the prongs down snugly against the washer. You can use a flat-bladed screwdriver or a pair of pliers to push them down. Place a couple layers of batting underneath the snap on the other side, and give it a couple of taps from the back with a small hammer.</p>	
9	<p>Fold the pocket in half on the middle stitching line, wrong sides together. Press flat. Lay aside.</p> <p>Continue with the 4 Card Sleeve, below.</p>	


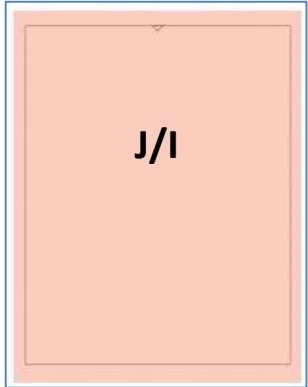
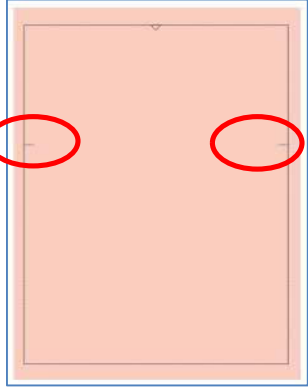
4 Card Sleeve		
	<p>Hoop one piece of 2 oz. cutaway stabilizer. Load 4Terri_CARD into your machine. <i>Rotate the design so that the small triangle on the long edge is pointed into the base of the machine, away from the open side.</i></p>	
1	<p>Place the hoop on the machine. Stitch Color #1, the placement outline for the card sleeve.</p>	
NOTE	<p><i>If not creating the card pockets, center</i> an 8.5 x 7.5" piece of Fabric 2 over the placement lines. Tape/pin in place. Skip to Step 5D, page 14</p>	

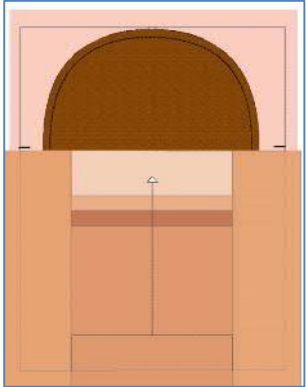
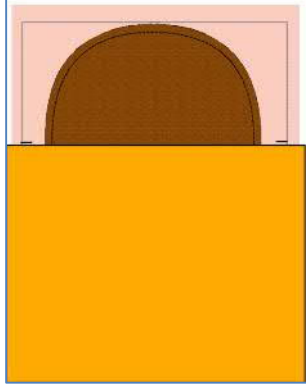
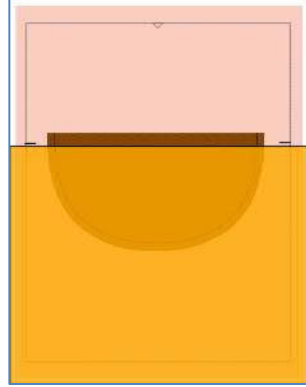
<p>2</p>	<p>Change thread colors. Stitch Color #2, the lines for the TOP folds for the card slots. It also stitches the placement lines for the long edges of the card sleeve fabric.</p>	
<p>3A</p>	<p>Remove the hoop from the machine. Place it RIGHT SIDE UP on a flat surface.</p>	
<p>3B</p>	<p>Apply a light layer of washable glue stick to the stabilizer in the top rectangle – the gray area in the image on the right.</p>	
<p>3C</p>	<p>Place CARD SLEEVE (F) FACE UP, centering it over the placement stitching. Allow about ½” of fabric to extend beyond the placement line on the top (triangle) edge.</p> <p><i>The long sides of the fabric should fall on the outer (placement) lines stitched in Step #2.</i></p> <p>Smooth the fabric into the glue on the stabilizer.</p>	
<p>3D</p>	<p>Return the hoop to the machine. Stitch Color #3, tacking the top part of the fabric to the stabilizer.</p>	
<p>4A</p>	<p>Remove the hoop from the machine. Place it RIGHT SIDE UP on your ironing board.</p>	
<p>4B</p>	<p><i>We are now going to fanfold the fabric to create the card slots.</i> Be very precise with the folds.</p> <p>Fold the fabric upwards on the line of stitching across the fabric strip.</p> <p>Press the fold with small craft iron.</p>	

<p>4C</p>	<p>Fold the fabric downward at the top set of hash marks.</p> <p>Press the fold with a small craft iron.</p>	
<p>4D</p>	<p>Fold the fabric upward at the top set of hash marks.</p> <p>Press the fold with a small craft iron.</p>	
<p>4E</p>	<p>Fold the fabric downward at the top set of hash marks.</p> <p>Press the fold with a small craft iron.</p>	
<p>4F</p>	<p>Continue folding up and down until you have 3 card slots.</p> <p>You can use masking tape to hold the folds in place as you go. <i>Don't use transpore tape as the iron will melt it.</i></p> <p>Press all folds well when finished.</p>	
<p>4G</p>	<p>Tape the folds closed with masking tape on each side of center.</p>	

<p>4H</p>	<p>Place one SLEEVE SIDE (G), FACE DOWN, on top of the card slots. One long edge goes along the long edge of the card slot fabric.</p> <p>Tape in place.</p>	
<p>4I</p>	<p>Place the remaining SLEEVE SIDE (G), FACE DOWN, on top of the card slots on the other side. One long edge goes along the long edge of the card slot fabric.</p> <p>Tape in place.</p>	
<p>4J</p>	<p>Return the hoop to the machine. Stitch Color #4, stitching the seams down both sides of the card sleeves and the line up across the center of the card slots.</p>	
<p>5A</p>	<p>Remove the hoop from the machine. Place it RIGHT SIDE UP on your ironing board.</p>	
<p>5B</p>	<p>Press the side seams of the card sleeves to set them.</p>	
<p>5C</p>	<p>Flip the SLEEVE SIDES outwards on the seam line. Carefully press the seam. Pull the raw edges out over the edge stitching lines, and tape/pin in place.</p>	
<p>5D</p>	<p>Return the hoop to the machine. Stitch Color #5, stitching the slot divider, the sides of the card sleeve and placement lines for the pocket flap.</p>	
<p>6A</p>	<p>Remove the hoop from the machine. Place it RIGHT SIDE UP on a flat surface.</p>	
<p>6B</p>	<p>Look for the two short marks coming down from the top edge. You will be centering the prepared flap between them.</p>	

<p>6C</p>	<p>Place the FLAP FACE UP over the credit card sleeve. Center it between the two short stitched lines and line the seam line at the top of the flap with the line stitched across the top of the card sleeve.</p> <p>Tape in place as shown in image.</p>	
<p>6D</p>	<p>Center the POCKET BACK (H) FACE DOWN over the flap. It should line up with all edges of the card sleeve fabric.</p> <p>Tape/pin edges securely in place, keeping them away from the stitching line at the top of the bag.</p>	
<p>6E</p>	<p>Return the hoop to the machine. Stitch Color #6 stitching the seam line at the top of the card sleeve.</p>	
<p>7</p>	<p>Remove the hoop from the machine. Remove the project from the hoop. Remove tape/pins.</p>	
<p>8</p>	<p>Trim the excess stabilizer from the edges of the fabric. Do not trim any fabric at this time.</p> <p>Press the top seam line to set.</p> <p>Open the finished piece so it is lying flat, right sides against the ironing board. Press seam towards card sleeve.</p>	
<p>9</p>	<p>Fold the POCKET BACK to the back side along the seam line, wrong sides together, flipping the FLAP up.</p> <p>Lay aside. Continue with 5 Front, next page.</p>	

5 Front	
	Hoop one piece of 2 oz. cutaway stabilizer. Load 4Terri_FRNT into your machine.
1	Place the hoop on the machine. Stitch Color #1 , the placement outline. <i>The small triangle on one short edge indicates the top of the purse.</i> 
2A	Remove the hoop from the machine. Place it RIGHT SIDE UP on a flat surface.
2B	Center the FRONT (I) FACE UP over the placement stitching. BATTING (J) should either be fused to the back of FRONT or centered over placement stitching before placing FRONT . Tape/pin edges securely in place. 
2C	Return the hoop to the machine. Stitch Color #2 , tacking the fabric to the stabilizer. <i>The placement lines for the front pocket are also stitched.</i>
3	Stitch Color #3 , the optional quilting.
4A	Remove the hoop from the machine. Place it RIGHT SIDE UP on a flat surface.
4B	Note the two short lines coming in from the two long edges. These are the alignment lines for the pocket pieces. 

<p>4C</p>	<p>Place the prepared CARD SLEEVE FACE UP, <i>slots open at the top</i>. The FLAP should remain open, revealing the card slots.</p> <p>The top edge should be slightly below the alignment marks on the FRONT. The stitching around the sides of the CARD SLEEVE Should line up with the stitching lines on the FRONT.</p> <p>Tape/pin securely on the sides and bottom.</p>	
<p>4D</p>	<p>Place the POCKET, the piece with the snap, FACE UP on top of the CARD SLEEVE.</p> <p>The top edge of the POCKET should line up with the alignment marks at the sides of the FRONT. The stitching around the sides of the POCKET should line up with the stitching lines on the FRONT.</p> <p>Keep the flap open!</p> <p>Tape/pin securely on the sides and bottom</p>	
<p>4E</p>	<p>Return the hoop to the machine. Stitch Color #4, stitching the pocket and card sleeve to the front.</p> <p><i>If you need to go back during the sew-out, remove the hoop, and return to the START of the color stop. Return the hoop to the machine and then advance the needle to the position where you wish to start. You do NOT want the foot passing over the center of the project at any time – it is too thick and will stop the foot as it tries to cross. Adjust these instructions per your machine’s behavior.</i></p>	
<p>5</p>	<p>DO NOT STITCH COLOR #5. It is there to keep your machine from returning to center after finishing Color #4.</p>	
<p>6</p>	<p>Remove the hoop from the machine. Remove the project from the hoop. Remove tape/pins.</p>	
<p>7</p>	<p>Trim the excess stabilizer from the edges of the fabric. Do not trim the fabric at this time.</p> <p>Fold the flap down and slide into the pocket. Lay aside.</p> <p>Continue with the 6 Back, page 18.</p>	

6 Back

Hoop one piece of 2 oz. cutaway stabilizer. Tear-away or wash-away will NOT hold everything together, so please do not attempt using them.

Load **6Terri_BACK** into the machine. **In a vertical hoop, rotate the design in the hoop so the triangle on the long edge is to the right side. In a horizontal hoop, position it at the top.** *If using a custom zipper pattern, the stitch pattern name will replace the word BACK*
6Terri_Pumpkin e.g..

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Place the hoop on the machine. **Stitch Color #1**, the placement outline. *The small triangle on one short edge indicates the top of the purse.*



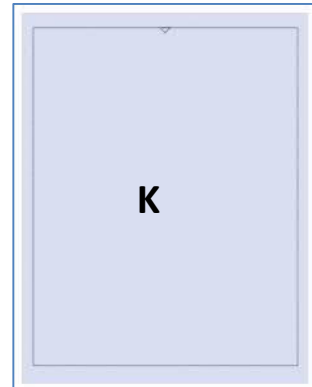
2A

Remove the hoop from the machine **turning it over to the BACK**. Place it on a flat surface.

2B

Center one **LINING (K) FACE UP** over the placement stitches.

Tape/pin in place.



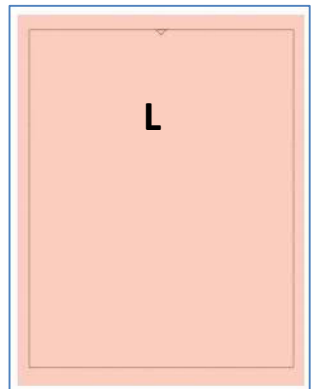
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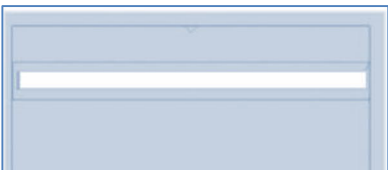

Turn the hoop over and place it **RIGHT SIDE UP** on a flat surface.

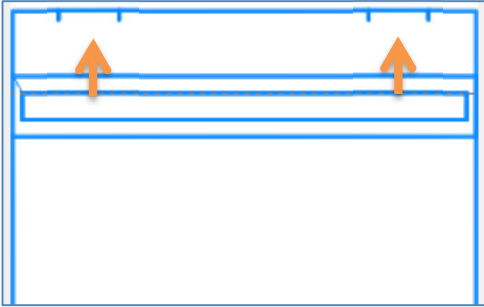
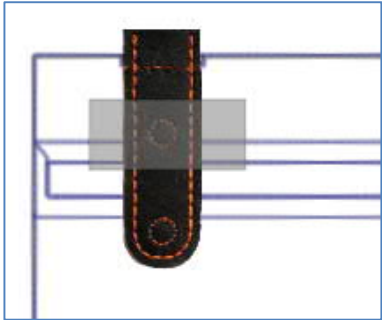
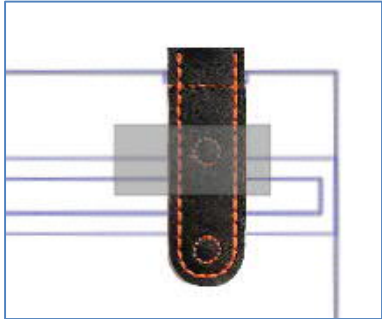

2D



Center the **BACK (L) FACE UP** over the placement stitching.

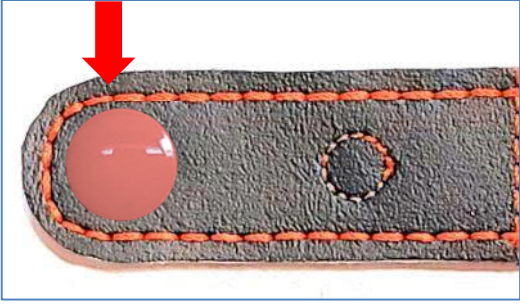
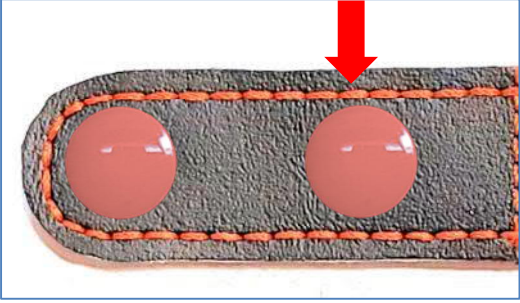

Tape/pin in place.



2E	Return the hoop to the machine. Make sure that the lining is still lying smooth underneath the hoop. Stitch Color #2 , the back and lining to the stabilizer. It also stitches the placement lines for the zipper.
3	Stitch Color #3 , the optional quilting.
4A	Remove the hoop from the machine. Place it RIGHT SIDE UP on a flat surface. Remove tape/pins.
4B	Carefully trim away the fabric from inside the smaller rectangle inside the zipper placement stitching. Do NOT cut into the stabilizer. It must remain in place to help hold the zipper. 
4C	Turn the hoop over to the BACK and place on a flat surface.
4D	Carefully trim away the lining fabric from inside the smaller rectangle inside the zipper placement stitching. Do NOT cut into the stabilizer. It must remain in place to help hold the zipper. 
4E	Return the hoop to the machine. Stitch Color #4 , zigzag stitching over the cut edges in the zipper area.
5A	Remove the hoop from the machine placing it RIGHT SIDE UP on a flat surface.
5B	<p>Place the zipper FACE UP, over the trimmed opening, centering the long edges between the outer placement stitching lines. <i>Not all zippers are the same width. It is up to you to get it centered and straight.</i></p> <p>You may place the tab at either end. <i>My preference is the top (vertical hoop) or left (horizontal hoop).</i> Place the tab and the metal stop at the end of the zipper well outside the stitching lines so the foot and needle will not hit them.</p> <p>Use strips of transpore or scotch tape to hold the zipper in place along both long sides, catching just the edge. <i>You may use Dritz Wonder Tape on the back of the zipper instead, if you prefer.</i></p> <p>Tape down the zipper pull tab so it points away from the purse.</p> 
5C	Return the hoop to the machine. Stitch Color #5 , the decorative stitching on the zipper. Stop the machine at the end of the straight stitching, just as it starts to do the fancy stitch. Remove all of the tape. Then continue stitching the fancy stitch.
6A	Remove the hoop from the machine. Place it RIGHT SIDE UP on a flat surface.

6B	<p style="text-align: center;">OPEN THE ZIPPER HALFWAY! DO NOT SKIP THIS STEP!</p> <p>Take a sharp pair of scissors and poke a small hole through the stabilizer showing in the zipper opening. This will make it easier to trim the backing away later.</p>
6C	<p>Note the short lines coming in from the top (left) edge – arrows in the example. These are the alignment lines for the strap loops.</p> 
6D	<p>Place one of the LOOPS FACE DOWN, centered between the small alignment marks at the top left of the Back.</p> <p>The top seam line on the purse should be about halfway between the end of the loop and the stitching line on the loop.</p> <p>Tape in place with transpore tape, keeping it out of the seam line (1/4" INSIDE the current sewing line). Tape in place at raw edges, keeping tape away from the stitching line.</p> 
6E	<p>Place the second LOOP FACE DOWN, centered between the small alignment marks at the top right of the BACK.</p> <p>The top seam line on the purse should be about halfway between the end of the tab and the stitching line on the tab.</p> <p>Tape in place with transpore tape, keeping it out of the seam line (1/4" INSIDE the current sewing line).</p> 
6F	<p>Check that the zipper is open halfway. Center the prepared FRONT FACE DOWN over the BACK. Be sure the FLAP is tucked inside the POCKET and make it as flat as possible.</p> <p>Match the 4 corners on both pieces as closely as possible.</p> <p>Tape/pin securely on all four edges <i>keeping the tape/pins away from the stitching lines.</i></p> <p><i>Want to see how I match the pieces up perfectly? Visit my blog at http://tinyurl.com/PW-PutTogether</i></p> 

6G	<p>Center the remaining LINING (K) FACE UP over the FRONT.</p> <p>Tape/pin securely on all four edges.</p>	
6H	<p>Return the hoop to the machine. Stitch Color #6. <i>I usually match the thread to the outside fabric, not the lining so it isn't seen on the edges once the bag it turned right side out.</i></p>	
NOTE	<p>It will go around once with a basting stitch. You can stop the machine if necessary and easily remove this round of stitches if you get a pucker or the fabric shifts. The second and third rounds of stitching are a regular length sewing stitch.</p> <p><i>If you need to go back during the sew-out, remove the hoop, and return to the START of the color stop. Return the hoop to the machine and then advance the needle to the position where you wish to start. You do NOT want the foot passing over the center of the project at any time – it is too thick and will stop the foot as it tries to cross. Adjust these instructions per your machine's behavior.</i></p>	
7	<p>DO NOT STITCH COLOR #7. It is there to keep the foot from returning to the center of the embroidery. You don't want the foot to travel over the pile of stuff in the center or drop the needle in it.</p>	
8	<p>Remove the hoop from the machine. Remove the project from the hoop. Remove tape/pins.</p>	
9	<p>One last time, check that the zipper is open halfway. It is too late to fix it after you trim! If you forgot to open it, carefully open the seam; push the zipper pull through to the inside, then stitch the purse shut on your regular sewing machine.</p>	
10	<p>Trim away all excess fabric and stabilizer trimming as close you can to the zigzag stitching without cutting thru it. Cut right thru the zipper but don't use your best shears!</p> <p>Take this slowly. You may need to do it in several layers. The narrower your seam allowance, the better your curved seams will look without having to clip them. I try not to cut the ends off the strap loops. I like to leave them a little longer to help prevent them from unraveling.</p>	
11	<p>Steam press the stitching lines to set the seam.</p>	
12	<p>Carefully trim away the stabilizer from behind the zipper. Cut close to but do not cut into the decorative stitches. Tip: Find the zipper tab and push the point of your scissors or a seam ripper in at that point. It will protect your zipper tape from an accidental slit.</p>	
13	<p>Reach in and open the zipper the whole way. Tip: If the zipper won't move, reach in and flip the tab upward. The zipper is locked when the tab is pointed down. It sometimes helps to push the zipper closed a bit and then push it open.</p>	

14	Turn the purse right side out through the opening in the zipper. Use a point turner to help push the edges of the seams outward. Remove any remaining tape/pins.
15	Steam press the purse being very careful not to melt the zipper. Use a pressing cloth to protect the fabric and zipper.
16A	<p>Apply a KamSnap over the placement circle in the curved end of one strap loop. The CAP goes on the FRONT. The STUD goes on the BACK.</p> 
16B	<p>Apply a KamSnap over the 2nd circle in the center of the strap loop. The CAP goes on the Front and the SOCKET goes on the BACK.</p> 
16C	Repeat for other loop.
16D	Insert the tab into a metal ring and snap closed.
17	<p>Finish the cut ends of your strap using your favorite method. Loop the cut ends through the rings on two gate clips, and sew the loop shut across the cut end. Don't forget to add a slider to one side if you want to make your strap adjustable.</p> <p>Clip the gate clips to the metal rings on the purse.</p> 



Close-up of slider