

Mending Souls Zipper Bags

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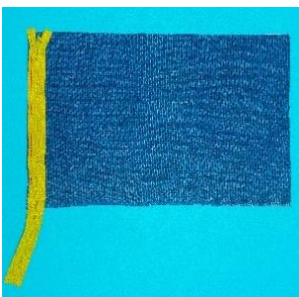
Need: ♥Approx. 10.5 x 15" Home Dec/denim/ or Soft Lap/Table Mat from Placemats, Shams/ upcycled Quilts. 3/8" Seam allowance.

Option: *piece fabrics**; *add appliques/ribbons*; *draw with fabric markers*

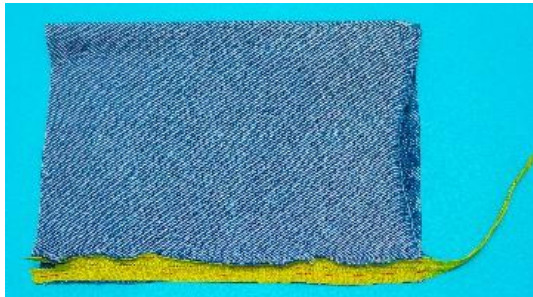
♥12" plastic zipper ♥Flat MS Label ♥ 3/8" ribbon

**Option: Attach 2 pieces: 10.5" wide by any combo that adds to 16 long": like 10.5 x 10" + 10.5 x 6"*

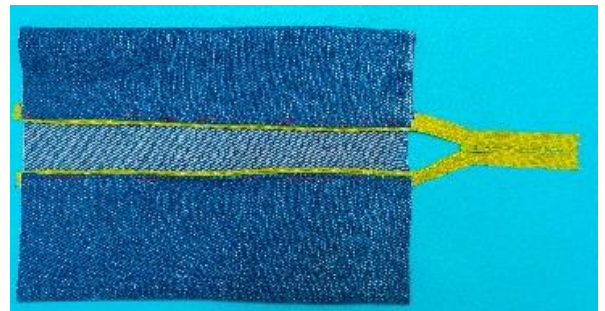
1. Position zipper face down long-ways, along a 10.5" edge, with fabric's right side up. Be sure the other long side of zipper is also on the fabric as shown in #1 below. Move needle over near the zipper, using zipper foot if you have one. Stitch carefully; stitch on zipper tape, not into the teeth!
2. Fold the fabric's other short side (10.5") to reach the other side of the zipper. Align the bag and pin zipper tape in place, right sides of zipper tape and bag together. After pinning, opening up the zipper avoids stitching around the zipper pull. In the same manner as above, stitch zipper Side 2.
3. Turn the zipper right side out. Top stitch close to zipper to secure on both sides.
4. Zip up to only midway point of zipper. Turn bag ('tube') wrong side out. Roll the tube so that the zipper position is to 2" from the top. Iron entire bag flat. Insert and pin (or clip) a MS Label on the side if you have a folded label. [Applique label on right side of fabric.] Sew up the 2 side seams, including slowly, carefully, through the zippers. Remember to back stitch at beginning and end to reinforce. Cut both ends of the zipper, if any hangs outside of the side stitch lines, with non-professional scissors. You can cut plastic zippers!
5. Turn bag right side out, push out corners, press. Attach a 3/8" ribbon to the zipper pull.



Step #1 Zipper Side 1



#2 Zipper Side 2



#3 Top Stitch open Zipper on Both Sides



#4 Label on Correct Side



#4 Sew Sides and Cut Zipper ends



#5 Turn bag out, attach ribbon

