# HAPPY HANDBAG

13" X 9" X 3"

100 BILLION STARS

Required Materials:

1/2 yd. each of two coordinating prints

1/2 yd. Décor Bond

1 pkg. Bosal In-R-Form Fusible Foam Stabilizer

Sewing Thread to match

Optional: magnetic snap

**NOTE: Seam allowances are 1/2” unless stated otherwise.**

| Fabric/Interfacing | # of pcs. | Piece Name | Pattern Piece/Cut Size | X |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Print 1 - Exterior | 2 | Front/Back | Template 1 on Fold | |
| | 1 | Side/Bottom | 4” x 29 1/2” | |
| | 1 | Pocket | 8 1/2” x 6 1/2” | |
| Print 2 - Lining | 2 | Front/Back | Template 1 on Fold | |
| | 1 | Side/Bottom | 4” x 29 12” | |
| | 1 | Handles | 4” x 34” | |
| | 1 | Pocket | 8 1/2” x 6 1/2” | |
| | 1 | Pocket tab | 2” x 5” | |
| Décor Bond | 2 | Front/Back | Template 1 on Fold | |
| | 1 | Side/Bottom | 4” x 29 1/2” | |
| | 1 | Pocket | 8 1/2” x 6 1/2” | |
| | 1 | Handles | 1” x 34” | |
| Bosal foam | 2 | Front/Back | Template 2 on Fold | |
| | 1 | Side/Bottom | 3” x 28 ½” | |

*If print requires fussy cutting to utilize design elements, allow extra yardage.*

*Please read through instructions carefully before beginning.*

## PREPARATION

### Fusing:

Following the manufacturer’s instructions, apply the Décor Bond to wrong sides of Lining pieces (front, back and side/bottom strip) and one pocket piece. For handles, follow instructions below.

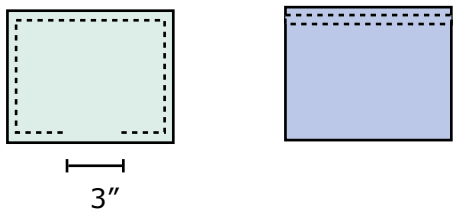
Following the manufacturer’s instructions, apply the Bosal to wrong sides of Exterior pieces (front, back and side/bottom strip).

### Interior Pocket:

Right sides together, use a 1/4” seam allowance to sew pocket pieces together around edges. Leave a 3” gap for turning on one edge.

Clip corners before turning inside out. Slipstitch opening. Press.

Edgestitch top edge. Topstitch again 1/4” away from previous stitching.

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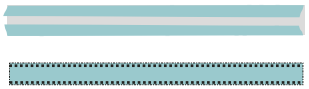
**Pocket Tab:**

Fold 2” x 5” strip in half lengthwise and gently press a crease. Fold raw edges to crease, wrong sides together. Press. Edgestitch along both long edges.



**Handles:**

Fold strip in half lengthwise and gently press a crease. Fold raw edges to crease, wrong sides together. Press.

Place strip of interfacing between wrong sides of fabric on one side of strip. Fuse according to manufacturer’s instructions.

Bring folded edges together and press. Edgestitch down both sides. Cut into two 17” pieces.

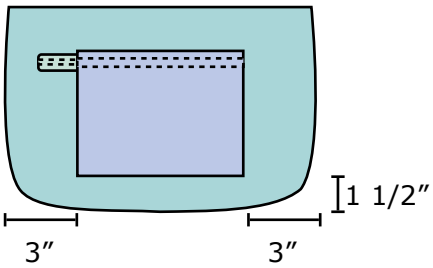
## ASSEMBLY

**Lining Pockets:**

Place pocket right side up on top of right side of lining back. Bottom edge of pocket should be 1 1/2” from bottom of back piece and 3” from each side.

Fold pocket tab in half to form loop. Place under side edge of pocket.

Pin pieces in place and edgestitch around sides and bottom of pocket.

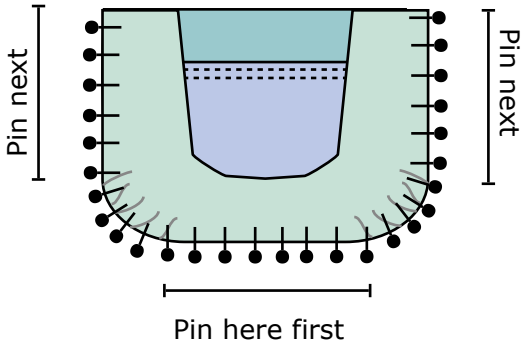



**Lining:**

Mark center of Lining Side/Bottom piece on both long edges. Also mark center of Lining Front and Back pieces along bottom edge.

Right sides together, pin Side/Bottom piece to lining front. Begin pinning from center of bottom edge and ending at beginning of curve. Pin from top down sides to beginning of curve. Clip edges of Side/Bottom approximately 3/8” into seam allowance to assist in easing around the curves. Pin curves. Sew.

Repeat for other side. Trim seam allowances to 1/4”. Press seams to Side/Bottom piece.




OPTIONAL: If adding magnetic snap, secure both sides of snap to lining approximately 5/8” from top edge.

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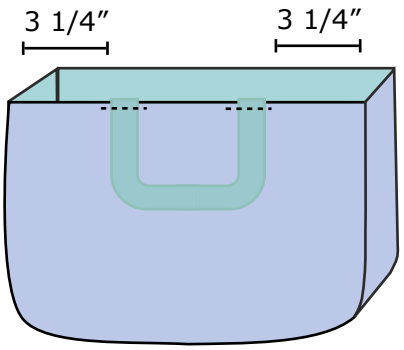
**Bag:**

Sew Exterior Front and Back to Bottom/Sides piece in the same manner as bag exterior.

Pin outer edge of one Handle piece to Front 3 1/4” from side seam. Without twisting handle, pin other end of Handle. Sew in place.

Repeat with other Handle on Back piece.




**Finishing:**

Place lining inside bag. Make any adjustment necessary for a good fit. (Trim top edges if needed. Sew larger side seams if lining is too big.)

Right sides together, place bag inside lining. Sew around top edge leaving a 5” gap for turning. Turn inside out. Slipstitch opening closed. Press carefully.

Edgestitch top of bag. Topstitch 1/4” from edgestitching.

*Featured fabrics are Amy Butler prints for Rowan.*

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Template 1

FRONT/BACK

Cut 2 from Print 1

Cut 2 from Print 2

Cut 2 from Décor Bond

Place On Fold

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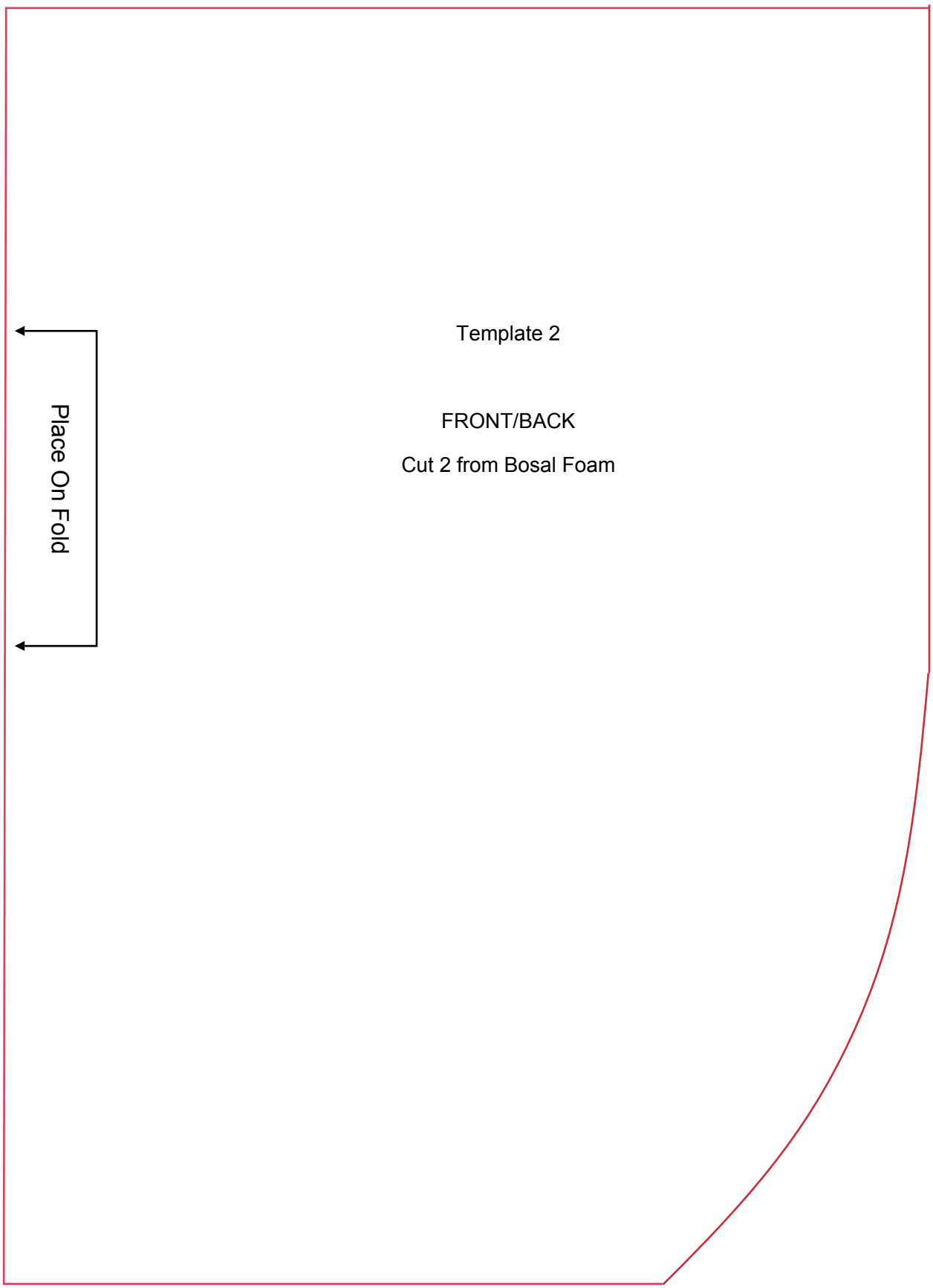


Template 2

FRONT/BACK

Cut 2 from Bosal Foam

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