# Flip Flop Messenger Bag

16” wide at base x 4” deep x 18” tall with flap extended

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**Other supplies:** basic sewing supplies, 20” zipper, (2) 1 1/2” D rings

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Note: Seam allowances are 1/4” unless otherwise.

**Instructions**

To make exterior, sew four 2 1/2” strips to either side of 4 1/2” strip. Press seams. Following manufacturer’s instructions, apply fusible fleece to wrong side.

Place right side up over muslin. Baste. Quilt as desired.

Pin zipper between right sides of both exterior piece and lining. Right side of zipper (side with pull) should face right side of exterior fabric.

Using zipper foot, sew through all layers. Fold each fabric back from zipper teeth, wrong sides together. Press. Repeat for other side of zipper.

Unzip the zipper at least 4”. Right sides together, sew exterior sides. Repeat for lining fabric, leaving a gap in one side seam of at least 4” for turning. Press crease on bottom edge.

Align side seam and crease. Box the corners 2”. Trim off corners. Repeat for lining.

Turn bag right side out. Slipstitch opening closed.

Fold 6” x 8” pieces in half along length. Press crease. Bring raw edges to crease, wrong sides together. Bring folded edges together. Edgestitch down both sides.

Place one end of strip through a D ring. Fold one end under 1/2”. Fit opposite end inside fold. Pin in place at side seam, 7 1/2” from top edge on exterior. Stitch in place, through all layers, using a box stitch to secure.

Repeat for opposite side with remaining strip.

To make strap, fuse mediumweight interfacing to 6” x WOF strip. Fold in half along length. Press crease. Bring raw edges to crease, wrong sides together. Bring folded edges together. Edgestitch down both sides.

Place one end of strap through a D ring. Fold the end under 1/2” and fold under again 1 1/2”. Stitch in place using a box stitch. Repeat for other end of strap, making sure the folded undersides are facing towards the bag.
Design notes:

To make a non-patchwork version of this bag, you will need a single piece of nondirectional print measuring 20” x 41”. If your fabric has a directional print, cut two pieces 20” x 20 1/2”. Sew those pieces together along the 20 1/2” sides. Press the seam and proceed with instructions.

You may wish to use jelly roll strips for the entire exterior patchwork piece. If so, substitute two 2 1/2” strips for the center 4 1/2” strip called for in the instructions.

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