Shoulder Bag Pattern for Jane's Floral Fantasy

Pattern is 1/5 of actual size. 1/2" seam allowance. Enlarge 500% on copier.

**Shoulder Bag:**

Enlarge the patterns to actual size. Cut iron-on interfacing for the bottom and two sides of the bag. Place these interfacing pieces on the back side of your fabric, making sure the fabric design is centered, fuse. Cut the fabric along the edges of your interfacing.

Embellish the outer fabric of the bag at this point. I used seed beads and bugle beads to adorn the edges of the lily motif. With right bag sides together, sew along the outer edges from dot to dot. Pin bottom to bag with right sides together, aligning the side seams with the dots on the rounded edge of the bottom. Sew.

Prepare Pocket: Cut interfacing to pocket size and fuse it to the back of one of your fabric pocket pieces. Cut another pocket piece in a contrasting fabric. With right sides together, sew the two pocket pieces along three sides. Clip the extra corner fabric away. Turn the pocket inside out. Fold raw edge in 1/2 inch, press and topstitch the pocket closed.

Prepare lining: Cut fabric for your contrasting lining, 2 sides and one bottom. Place the pocket, as shown, with the topstitched edge on top. Pin. Topstitch the remaining three sides. You may want to use iron-on interfacing to strengthen the pocket side of your lining, too. With right lining sides together, sew along the outer edges from top dot toward the bottom dot, but this time leaving a 5" opening on one side for turning the bag inside out. Pin bottom to bag with right sides together, aligning the side seams with the dots on the rounded edge of the bottom. Sew.

Sew lining and bag together: With right sides together, pin the lining to the front along the upper curve. Sew along the top of one strap and rounded edge, keeping the other strap open. Clip curved seams. Turn the bag inside out. Press. Turn unsewn edges of strap under and slip stitch together. Slipstitch the lining seam to close.

**Scarf:**

For the scarf I simply used an 8" X 65" piece of the Red Lily & Crocus and the same sized lining in red/magenta from FreeSpirits Color Connector series. With right sides together, sew around the sides leaving an opening for turning the scarf inside out. Turn out scarf and slip stitch the opening. Fringe can be added either before or after the edges have been sewn.

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