

Halloween Trick or Treat Bag



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Fabric recipe:

2 x Pieces of main fabric (Black) W33cm x H28cm

2 x Pieces of lining fabric W33cm x H28cm

2 x Pieces of wadding W35cm x 30cm (trim down to size once stitching is complete)

2 x Handles cut from main fabric 43cm x 6.5cm. These should be backed with iron-on interfacing Oddments of Orange, Green and Black fabric for applique

Glow in the dark or normal White fabric for 'BOO'

Heat N Bond fused to applique pieces

Tearaway stabilizer

Assorted threads Inc. bobbin thread + glow in the dark thread for spiders web

Chalk pencil or fabric marker pen

Embellishments







Note: - this cutting layout is not to scale

Instructions

1. Fuse wadding to the wrong side of the two main fabric pieces.

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2. Cut out a 3.5cm square from the lower right and lower left corners of main pieces to create the base.



- 3. Using marker pen or chalk, mark out a spider's web on the front and back sections, (only do this to one side if preferred).
- 4. Using the 'glow in the dark' thread and a straight stitch, sew the main diagonal web lines first. Once all of these lines are stitched, then stitch the curved lines between the lines to create a web effect.
- 5. Using the Orange and Green fabric fused with Heat N Bond, cut out the pumpkin pieces using the template provided. Peel off the paper backing, position as required and fuse into place with an iron (It is recommended to use a pressing cloth).
- 6. Select a zig-zag stitch on your machine. Change the stitch length to 0.30mm to create a satin stitch. Using your chosen thread, stitch the two curved lines on the inside of your pumpkin. Next select an applique stitch and stitch around the outer edge of the stalk in Green, Then change the thread to Orange to stitch the outer edge of the pumpkin shape.





- 7. If you are adding facial features, use the templates and cut them out of the Black fabric which has been backed with Heat N Bond. Peel off the backing and attach as before.
- 8. Repeat the same procedure adding the Bat shape and the 'BOO' word to your bag panel. Try using a scallop stitch to embellish the 'BOO' letters.





- 9. Trim away any excess wadding once all stitching is complete.
- 10. **Handles** as a guide mark a line approx. 2.5cm in from one long edge, using a contrast thread and a decorative stitch of your choice stitch out along your guide line, use a strip of tearaway stabiliser under your fabric for extra stability to prevent fabric pucker.
- 11. Press in ¼" (approx..7mm) on both sides of the strap lengthwise, fold the strap in half lengthwise so both the pressed edges meet, select a straight stitch and top stitch down each side.
- 12. Pin each handle to the front and back bag panel by marking the centre of each panel and placing your handles 6cm either side of that point.
- 13. Place front and back sections right sides together, using a straight stitch sew down each side and across the lower edge using approx. 1cm seam allowance.
- 14. Pinch the lower corners together matching the lower seam and the side seams, stitch across to create the corners.
- 15. Make the lining up by placing right sides together, stitch the side seams, when stitching the lower edge leave a gap approx. 8-10cm for turning the bag through once complete.
- 16. Place the lining inside the bag right sides together, matching side seams, stitch around the top using a 1cm seam allowance.
- 17. Turn the back through to the right side using the gap left in the lining, stitch the gap closed using a straight stitch close to the edge or slip stitch by hand.
- 18. Hand stitch any embellishments on by hand e.g. Spiders on the web and beads for the bat's eyes.

Happy Halloween Enjoy!!!!!!







If you do not want to make the larger bag, then you could create smaller treat bags and only use one of the template designs.



Below is the size to cut for the smaller bag:

Main fabric: 2 x W19cm x H17cm Lining Fabric 2 x W19cm x H17cm Wadding 2 x W20cm x H18cm (Trim down to size once all stitching is complete) Handles 2 x L25cm x W5cm. Alternatively you could use ribbon. Cut a 2.5cm square from each of the lower corner



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