Tiki Tote Sewing Pattern

by Bluprint

15" x 20"
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Tips For Success

1. **STARTUP LIBRARY:** In need of a quick refresher? Check out our Startup Library: Sewing to find the skill you need — without having to search all over the internet. Find everything you need to sew with confidence in crystal-clear HD.

2. **PATTERN CUTTING:** Use a sharp pair of fabric scissors or a rotary cutter to cut your pattern pieces. Then, use pattern weights or straight pins to secure the paper pattern pieces to your fabric. Just make sure to try and cut without lifting the pattern and fabric from your cutting table. (And don't forget to transfer all of your markings before removing the paper!)
Materials

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<td>15&quot; x 20&quot;</td>
<td>(1) 2½&quot; Strip Bundle OR (31) 2½&quot; x WOF Strips</td>
<td>1 Yard</td>
<td>1¼ Yards of 22&quot; wide Fusible Fleece OR a 36&quot; x 22&quot; piece of Batting</td>
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Recommended Tools & Notions
- Rotary cutter with sharp blade
- 5½" wide quilting ruler
- Cutting mat
- 50wt cotton thread
- Scissors

General Guidelines
Please read the entire pattern once through before starting. Use a ¼" seam allowance unless otherwise directed. To ensure accurate cutting and yardage use, do not pre-wash fabric. WOF = Width of Fabric.

Make It Even Easier
Need a hand choosing fabric that makes your top pop? Our designers have already done the work for you! Just check out our ready-to-go kit. You’ll get the perfect pairing for your pattern, plus binding and optional backing — all at prices you won’t find anywhere else.
# Pattern Instructions

## Bag Exterior Assembly

**STEP 1**
Arrange the 2.5” x 5” rectangles into (8) piles of (13) rectangles. Select (2) rectangles from one pile. Sew one rectangle right sides together with the second rectangle at a perpendicular angle as shown in the diagrams. Press open.

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<td>From (15) jelly roll strips for exterior:</td>
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<td>Cut (104) 2.5” x 5” rectangles total</td>
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<td>From (12) jelly roll strips for lining:</td>
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<td>From (4) jelly roll strips for handles:</td>
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<td>Trim each strip to 2.5” x 27”</td>
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<td>From fusible fleece or batting:</td>
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<td>Cut (2) 17” x 20.5” rectangles</td>
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**STEP 2**
Now comes the fun part! Grab another 2.5” x 5” rectangle from the pile, and add it to the assembled unit as shown below. Press open. Then grab another 2.5” x 5” rectangle from the pile and add it to the other side of the assembled unit as shown. (Isn’t this fun?) Keep adding rectangles as shown until you have used all (13) rectangles in the current pile.
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**STEP 3**
Once you have sewn all (13) rectangles together, it is time to trim. Trim the assembled “braid” unit to 5.5” wide and 15” tall as shown. (A 5.5” quilting ruler is very helpful!)

**STEP 4**
Repeat steps 1-3 with all remaining piles of 2.5” x 5” rectangles to make a total of (8) braided units. Sew (4) braided units together to make (1) exterior bag panel. Repeat with the remaining (4) braided units to make a total of (2) exterior bag panels.

**STEP 5**
Complete the exterior bag panels by sewing the 2.5” x 20.5” strips to the tops of both exterior bag panels. Press seams towards the top border strip. Exterior panel measures 17” x 20.5”.

**STEP 6**
Following manufacturer’s instructions, fuse (1) 17” x 20.5” rectangle of fusible fleece to the wrong side of (1) exterior bag panel. Repeat with remaining rectangle of fusible fleece and remaining exterior bag panel. You may quilt these pieces if desired.

**STEP 7**
Sew the (2) exterior bag panels together, right sides together, along 3 sides. Reinforce the seams if desired by zigzag stitching over the seam allowance. Keep the bag wrong sides out. (Note: The side of the bag with the top border strip is the top of the bag. Sew the sides and the bottom).
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**STEP 8**
To box the corners, keep the bag wrong sides out and match the side seam and the bottom seam, flattening out the corner to create a triangle. Mark a line 2” down from the triangle point as shown. Sew directly on this marked line. (To reinforce, stitch seam twice). Then trim seam allowance to ¼”. Repeat on the other side of the bag.

![Image of a triangle with a marked line](image_url)

**Lining Assembly**

**STEP 1**
Sew (10) 2.5” x 15” strips together along the long edges and press seams. If necessary, trim to 20.5” wide. Sew (1) 2.5” x 20.5” strip to the top of the assembled unit and press seam towards the top strip. Repeat with remaining (10) 2.5” x 15” strips and (1) 2.5” x 20.5” strip to make a total of (2) panels measuring 17” x 20.5”.

![Image of two panels side by side](image_url)

**Handles Assembly & Application**

**STEP 1**
Following manufacturer’s instructions, fuse (1) 2” x 27” strip of fusible interfacing to the center of (1) 2.5” x 27” handle strip. Repeat with remaining fusible interfacing strip and (1) more 2.5” x 27” handle strip. (Two handle strips will be interfaced, two handle strips will not have interfacing).

**STEP 2**
Sew (1) interfaced handle strip right sides together with (1) non-interfaced handle strip using ¼” seams down each long side. Turn handle inside out, press carefully, and edgestitch both long edges. Repeat with remaining handle strips to make (2) handles.

**STEP 3**
Place handles right sides together on the bag exterior panels, aligning the ends of the handles with the top edge of the bag. Place the outside edges of each handle 6” from the side seam of the bag. Make sure the handle isn’t twisted. Pin in place and tack in place with a 1/8” seam allowance. Repeat on other side with remaining handle.
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Final Bag Assembly

STEP 1
Keeping the bag exterior right sides out, slip the bag exterior inside the lining (lining is wrong sides out), matching side seams and aligning the top raw edges. (Be careful to make sure that the handles are inside, between the two layers). Pin to secure. Sew around the top edge with a ¼” seam. If desired, reinforce the seam with a zigzag stitch on the seam allowances. Pull the exterior of the bag through the bottom opening in the lining, and tuck the lining inside the bag. Press the top edge of the bag so that the lining isn’t visible from the outside of the bag, and topstitch around the top edge of the bag. Slipstitch the opening in lining closed.