Vanity Bag

You Will Need:

1m Main Fabric (Pockets & Backing)

40cm Contrast Fabric (1) - For Lining

20cm Clear Vinyl

30cm Contrast Fabric for Piping and Binding (2)

3 x Zippers 40cm

1 x Zipper 45/50cm

40cm Velcro

2.2m Piping Cord

D Ring – 4cm inner measurement (38mm)

Cut from Main Fabric:

Pocket Part:

Pocket A: 3 ½ " x 12 5/8"

Pocket B: 5" x 12 5/8"

Pocket D: 11" x 12 5/8", cut two strips 2" x 12 5/8" for the sides of Pocket C

Closing Flap: Cut a strip in fabric 2 1/4" x 12 5/8"

You will cut a back, and lining after you have sewn the pocket front piece. I also cut a piece of fine pellon and placed between the lining and the back. This is optional.

Removable Bag:

2 Top pieces 2" x 16 3/8"

1 Bottom piece 3 1/2" x 19"

1 Front and 1 Back piece for bag 7" x 12 5/8"

Cut in Plastic:

Pocket C: 5 1/2" x 12 5/8"

To Construct Bag:

<u>Pockets</u> – Thread up the machine with regular sewing thread to match the fabric. Overlock or zigzag along the long sides of the pockets.

Put your zipper foot on and sew the first zipper between pocket A and pocket B.

Take the plastic pocket C and using the two strips 2" x 12 5/8" you cut fold in each edge and sew to the edge of the plastic.



Plastic pocket is sitting on top. Attached with straight stitch using zipper foot as shown.

Sew the zipper in place between pocket B and pocket C.



Take pocket D and again sew the zipper in place between pocket C and pocket D.

Place the front piece made up of the pockets on your contrast fabric and cut out the back and I also cut a separate lining as well as the pellon.

Stitch the loop side of a 5cm Velcro piece in place on the back piece 20cm from one of the short sides. (Sew the Velcro long way down.)



Measure 20cm down from one short end.

Place the back piece, lining piece and front piece wrong sides together (make sure the Velcro on the back piece is at Pocket D end of the front) and sew using a three step zigzag stitch all around the sides or a straight stitch ¼ in from edge to hold all the pieces together. Using a straight stitch place the Velcro loop side in place 1.5cm from the seam and 16.5cm from the bottom and sew in place on Pocket D. (This is where the removal bag adheres to).



Sew between the other pockets with a straight stitch through all the layers (Zipper is in the middle of each pocket). Round off the corners of the pocket piece a little and using 2" bias bind the edges. Stitch from the pocket sides and take to the front and topstitch in place.

Closing Flap

Press under 1cm on all sides of the strip for closing the flap and fold it double. Mark the center of the folded strip.

Thread the ring on the strip to the mark and pin it in place. Sew on both sides of the ring and all around the flap. Using a zipper foot adjust the needle position close to the ring and the edge as possible.



Place a 6cm piece of Velcro, hook side on one side of the closing flap and stitch around the Velcro. Stitch a 4cm piece of the loop side of the Velcro on the opposite side.



Place the closing flap centered on the short side of the pocket piece with the D ring and the Velcro hook side outside the edge. Stitch around the Velcro as well as crosswise through all the layers.

Removable Bag:

Sew the 40cm zipper to the top pieces. Topstitch along the zipper.

Stitch the short ends with the top & bottom piece right sides together to a circle. Topstitch the seams.



Sew the hook side of a 26cm piece of Velcro on the backside piece 2.5cm from the long edge.

Cut the strips for piping *(contrast fabric 2)* 1" x 115cm (width of fabric). Fold the strip lengthwise wrong sides together with the cord in-between. Using either your zipper foot, #23 or #38 Foot sew the piping in place.

Pin and sew the front piece with the circle piece right sides together with piping inbetween.



Repeat for the back piece and turn the bag right sides out. Make sure that you leave the zipper partially open so you can turn it right side out.

You now have a Vanity bag you can use or give as a gift.

