

Soundwaves Tote Bags

featuring Gems and Jewels Strip Packs

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1 - 24 pack Wilmington Jewels
or Gems
1 yard lining fabric
1 yard 42" wide fusible fleece

For 2 Tote Bags:
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2 1/8 yards lining fabric
(cut two 2 1/2" strips to
add to the strip set)
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Please read all instructions carefully AND identify all fabrics before beginning. All instructions include a 1/4" seam allowance. Strips are cut selvage to selvage.

1. Sort the fabric strips:

Separate strips in *Batavian Jewels* pack into two piles, the 9 **darkest** strips and the 4 **lightest** strips. Cut the longest strips first for best use of fabric.

Note: Prints in *Batavian Jewels* pack may vary from color tote images.

2. Cut the following:

From the **Dark** strips cut:

- (4) 2-1/2" x 21-1/2" strips
- (8) 2-1/2" x 12" strips
- (8) 2-1/2" x 10" strips
- (4) 2-1/2" x 8" strips
- (4) 2-1/2" x 6" strips
- (4) 2-1/2" x 4" strips
- (4) 2-1/2" x 2" pieces

From the **Light** strips cut:

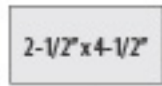
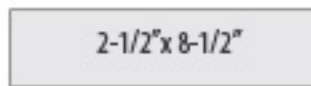
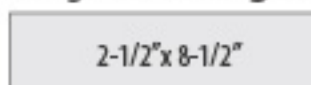
- (8) 2-1/2" x 8-1/2" strips
- (4) 2-1/2" x 6-1/2" strips
- (4) 2-1/2" x 4-1/2" strips
- (12) 2-1/2" squares

From the lining fabric:

- Cut (1) 24" strip
- Cut (1) 6" strip, subcut (2) 6" x 21" strips (handles)

3. Piecing order:

1. Stitch a 2-1/2" **Light** square on top of a **Dark** 2" x 2-1/2" piece. Sew a **Dark** 2-1/2" x 4" strip to right then a **Light** 2-1/2" x 4-1/2" to top.

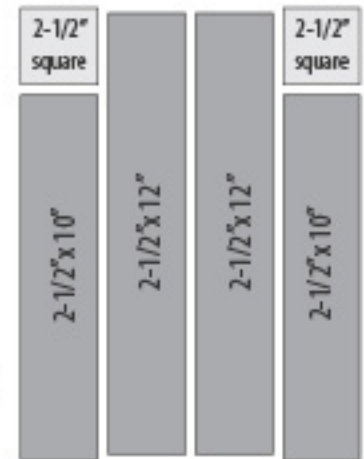


Block 1 - Make 4

Dark 2-1/2" x 6" strip to right then a **Light** 2-1/2" x 6-1/2" to top. Add a **Dark** 2-1/2" x 8" strip to right then 2 **Light** 2-1/2" x 8-1/2" strips to top. Make a total of 4 **Block 1** (8-1/2" x 12" unfinished).

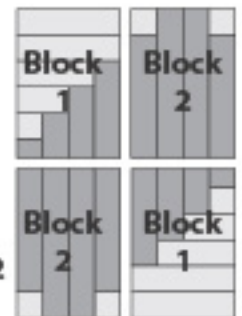
2. Stitch a 2-1/2" **Light** square on top of a **Dark** 2-1/2" x 10" strip. Make 2. Sew 2

Dark 2-1/2" x 12" strips between them. Make a total of 4 **Block 2** (8-1/2" x 12" unfinished).



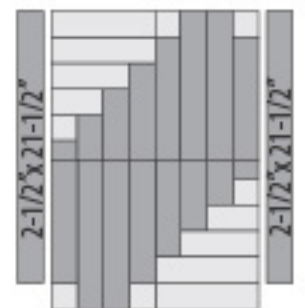
Block 2 - Make 4

3. Arrange blocks in 2 rows of 2 blocks as shown. Sew blocks into rows. Sew rows together (16-1/2" x 23-1/2" unfinished). Make 2.



Make 2

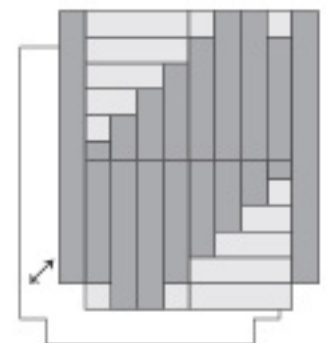
4. Add 2-1/2" x 21-1/2" dark strips to both sides of blocks, with top edges even. Make 2 tote fronts (20-1/2" x 23-1/2" unfinished, with 2" squares missing from bottom corners).



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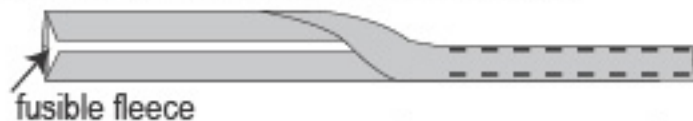
5. From 24" lining strip, cut 2 pieces of lining and cut 2 pieces of the fusible fleece the same size and shape as tote fronts.

6. Fuse fleece to wrong side of tote fronts following manufacturer's directions. Quilt as desired.



7. Cut 2 pieces of fusible fleece 6" x 21". Fuse to wrong side of handles.

8. Fold long sides of a handle, right side in, so they meet in the middle. Press. Fold in half enclosing long raw edges. Press. Topstitch along both long edges. Make 2 handles.



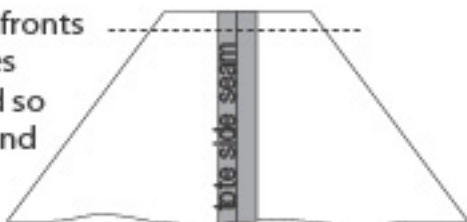
9. Place the 2 tote fronts right sides together. Sew together along sides and bottom with 1/4" seams.



10. In the same manner, Sew the 2 linings right sides together along sides. Stitch bottom seam leaving a 6" opening for turning.



11. With tote fronts still right sides together, fold so the bottom and side seams match on

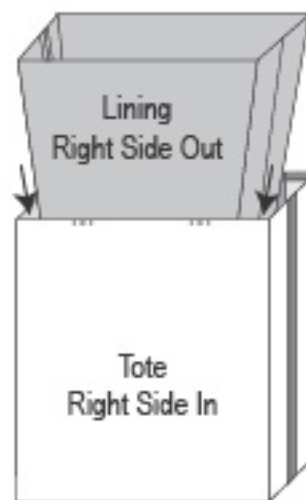


one bottom corner. Sew the opening closed with a 1/4" seam allowance to create gusset. Repeat on other bottom corner. In the same manner, make gussets on bottom corners of lining.

12. Place ends of a handle, raw edges even, on top edge of 1 front top about 6" in from side seams. Repeat with second handle on other side of tote. Baste handle ends in place.



13. With lining right side out, slide it into the tote right side in. Make sure handles are tucked between the lining and tote. Align side seams and raw top edges of tote and lining. Sew layers together with a 1/4" seam.

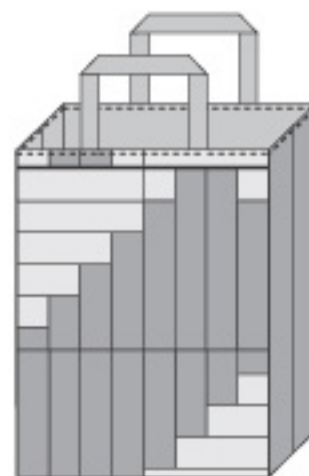


14. Turn tote bag right side out through opening in bottom seam of lining.

15. Stitch opening closed.

16. Press top edge flat. With handles up and out of the way, topstitch 1/8" to 1/4" from top edge.

17. The finished tote, without handles, measures approximately 16" x 21" x 4".



NOTE: To make 2 tote bags requires:

- (1) 24 strip Batavian Jewels pack
- 2-1/8 yards lining fabric
- 2 yards 42"-wide fusible fleece

Cut (2) 2-1/2" strips from lining fabric and add to the strip pack. Separate strips into the 18 *darkest* strips and the 8 *lightest* strips.

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