

Poppies



Bag measure 14" wide x 12" tall

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Fabric: *Poppies* by Elizabeth's Studio LLC

547 Black (Poppy blocks)—1 panel 24x44"

548 Green (overall poppies)—1-1/2 yards

M409 Pink (metallic)—1/4 yard

Black solid—1 yard

Foam interfacing (such as Bosal InRForm): (2) 15" x 20-1/2"

Batting: (2) 8-1/4" x 20-1/2"

Cutting Directions:

547 Black (poppy blocks): Cut (1) 8-1/4" x WOF strip. (center poppy blocks, allowing approximately 1/2" border above and below).

548 Green (allover poppies): Cut (1) 15" x WOF strip. Cross cut into (10) 2-1/2" x 15" strips and (4) 1-1/2" x 8-1/4" sections. Cut (1) 8-1/4" x WOF strip, cross cut into (2) 8-1/4" x 20-1/2" sections for pocket lining. Cut (1) 14-1/2" x WOF strip, cross cut into (2) 14-1/2" x 20" sections for lining.

M409 Pink (metallic): Cut (2) 2-1/2" x WOF strips—from one of these, cut (2) 2-1/2" x 20-1/2" sections.

Black solid: Cut (4) 2-1/2" x WOF strip, cross cut into (8) 2-1/2" x 15" strips. Cut (2) 1-1/2" x WOF strips, cross cut into (4) 1-1/2" x 15" strips. Cut (1) 8" x WOF strip, cross cut into (2) 8" x 21" sections for handles.

Foam interfacing: (2) 15" x 20-1/2"

Batting: (2) 8-1/4" x 20-1/2"

Constructing front and back panels:



Sew together (5) **548 Green (overall poppies)** and (4) **Black solid** 2-1/2" x 15" strips, then add 1-1/2" x 15" Black solid strips to each end to form front panel. Layer with foam interfacing and quilt as desired—stitch in the ditch between strips. Repeat for back panel.

Outer pockets:

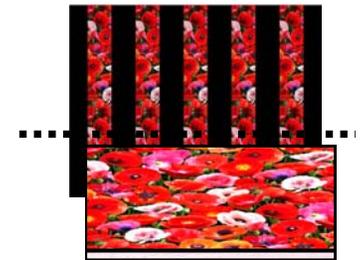
From 8-1/4" **547 Black (poppy blocks)** strip, cut (2) 2-block sections measuring 8-1/4" x 16-1/2", allowing approximately 1" black on each side of blocks. Add (1) 2-1/2" x 8-1/4" **548 Green (overall poppies)** strip to each side of pocket section. Repeat for second pocket. Layer with 8-1/4" x 20-1/2" batting and 8-1/4" x 20-1/2" **548 Green (allover poppies)** pocket lining. Quilt around the narrow red border of the poppy blocks. Use 2-1/2" x 20-1/2" **M409 Pink (metallic)** strips to bind top edge of both pocket sections.



Completing front and back panels:

Front panel: Draw a line 4-1/4" from the bottom edge of front panel—it won't show. Place pocket section right sides together, aligning raw edge along drawn line. Sew 1/4" from drawn line. Flip pocket up and baste side edges together 1/8" from sides. Sew through all pocket layers at center of pocket and at outer edges of poppy blocks. Stitch a line 2" from bottom edge of panel (so that bag will stand up nicely).

Back panel: Repeat above steps to complete back panel.



Completing outer bag:



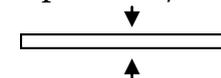
Align front and back panels, right sides together. Sew 1/4" seam along sides and bottom, leaving top edge open. Measure 1-3/4" square at each bottom corner and cut away. Trim side and bottom seams to 1/8" to reduce bulk. Pull edges apart and match side seam to bottom seam. Sew 1/4" seam across to box corners. Trim to 1/8". Repeat for second corner. Turn bag right side out. Set aside.

Lining:

If you wish to add a pocket to the lining, do so now using remnants of poppy blocks or allover poppies. Layer 14-1/2" x 20" lining pieces right sides together and sew 1/4" seam, along sides and bottom. Trim seams to 1/8". Repeat steps above to remove 1-3/4" squares and make boxed corners at bottom. Slip lining inside bag (wrong sides together).

Handles:

Fold 21" edges to meet in center, press. Fold in half, press. Handle should measure 2" x 21". Top stitch 1/8" from edge of long sides. Mark center of handle. Fold both edges to center and stitch across.



Pin handle in place, wrong (folded) side to lining right side, 7" from side edge. Use 2-1/2" **M409 Pink (metallic)** strip to bind top edge of bag. Using free arm of sewing machine may be helpful, if you have one.

