

Napa Valley Wine Bag

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Fabric courtesy of Elizabeth's Studio



Give a gift bottle of wine in its very own bag!

Skill level: Beginner

Finished size: 4" x 11" x 3"

MATERIALS

Note: Yardage is based on fat quarters of fabric from *Elizabeth's Studio's Wine Country* collection designed by Rosiland Solomon.

For four placemats:

- One fat quarter (18" x 22") of burgundy tonal (No. 3305 Burgundy)
- One fat quarter of burgundy label print (No. 3304 Burgundy)
- One fat quarter of burgundy cork print (No. 3306 Burgundy)
- ½ yd. of 12" wide fusible web
- Thread in colors to match fabrics
- Rotary cutter, ruler, and mat
- Basic sewing and pressing supplies



CUTTING DIRECTIONS

Note: Cut all strips horizontally from selvage to selvage.

From the burgundy tonal fabric, cut:

One 3" x 14" strip (for handle)

Two 3" x 7½" pieces (for trim)

From each of the burgundy label and burgundy cork print fabrics, cut:

Two 8" x 12" pieces

DIRECTIONS

Note: When piecing, use a ¼" seam allowance throughout; sew all pieces with right sides together and raw edges even, using matching thread. Press seams toward the darker fabric after adding each piece or as indicated.

1. Cut two 8" x 12" pieces from the fusible web. Following manufacturer's instructions, fuse a web piece onto the wrong side of each 8" x 12" burgundy label piece. Remove the paper backing and fuse a layered piece to the wrong side of each 8" x 12" burgundy cork lining piece. Trim each fused rectangle to measure 7½" x 11¾".

2. Sew a 3" x 7½" burgundy tonal piece to the top of each fused rectangle. Press seams toward the burgundy tonal pieces.

3. Place the pieced units with label sides together. Stitch along the side and bottom edges. Following **Diagram 1**, fold one bottom corner, aligning the side seam with the bottom seam to form a point. Pin to secure. Measure 1½" from the point along the seam and draw a line across the seam. Sew on the drawn line. Trim seam allowance to ¼" to form a box corner. Repeat on the remaining bottom corner. Turn the bag right side out.

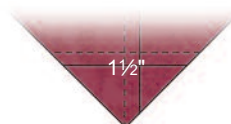


Diagram 1

4. Turn the edge of the burgundy tonal strip ¼" to the wrong side. Press. Fold the pressed edge to the inside of the bag to cover the seam between the bag and the tonal strip as shown in **Diagram 2**. Pin in place. Stitch in the ditch on the outside between the top strip and the body of the bag, catching the edge of the folded strip on the inside.



Diagram 2

5. Press the short ends of the 3" x 14" burgundy tonal strip $\frac{1}{4}$ " to the wrong side. Fold the strip lengthwise in half and press. Fold the long raw edges under to the pressed centerline (see **Diagram 3**). Press in half along the centerline, aligning the folded long edges. Sew close to the long edges and across the ends.

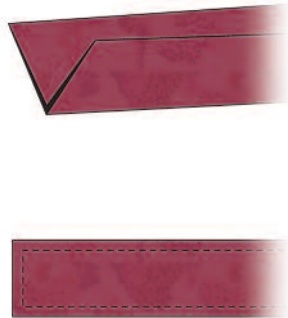


Diagram 3

6. Referring to **Diagram 4**, fold the bag in half, aligning the side seams. Pin one end of the handle strip to the inside of the top at each fold. Stitch the ends in place through all layers to complete the bag.



Diagram 4

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