Bottle Gift Bags

These gift bags can be used to gift wine, sparkling cider or any other item that comes in a tall, thin form factor. Each can be made from just 2 fat quarters so combinations are endless!

For a stiffer bag, you can fuse fusible fleece or shape flex to the outer fabric.

To simplify, skip the handle (instructions 4 & 5) and simply tie a ribbon around the bag.

All seam allowances are ½ inch unless otherwise noted.

Materials

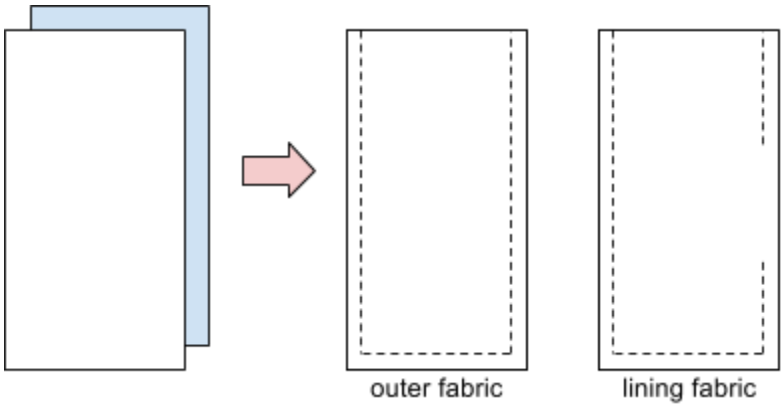
- 2 fat quarters or 2 quarter yard cuts of fabric.
- Suggested fabrics: quilting cotton for both outer and lining, home dec or other heavier weight for outer fabric. Avoid drapey fabrics such as chiffon and silk unless used in combination with a heavier fabric for the outer fabric.

Cutting Instructions

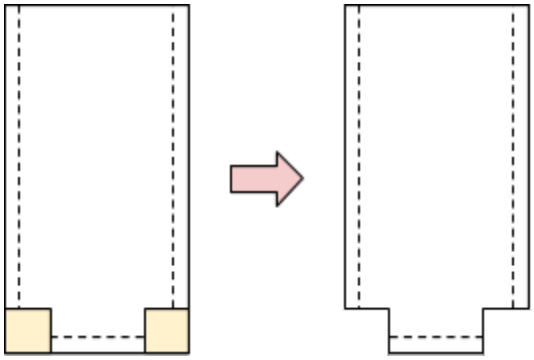
- From outer fabric:
  - 2 pieces: 7 inches x 15 inches
  - Note: If your fabric is directional, make sure one 7 inch side is the top.
- From lining fabric:
  - 2 pieces: 7 inches x 14.75 inches
  - 1 piece for handle: 4 inches x 9 inches
    - Optional: Use 9 inches of webbing or grosgrain ribbon for a different look!

Sewing Instructions

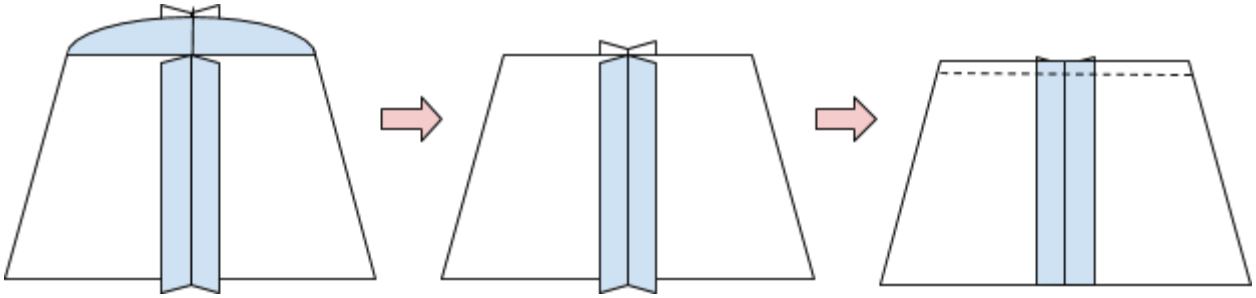
1. Place the two pieces of outer fabric right sides together. Sew down one long side, across the bottom, and up the other side. Repeat for the lining fabric, leaving a 3 inch gap on one side. *It's best not to leave it on the bottom unless you plan to hand sew it shut since the machine seam can create a ridge and then the bottle won't sit flat.*



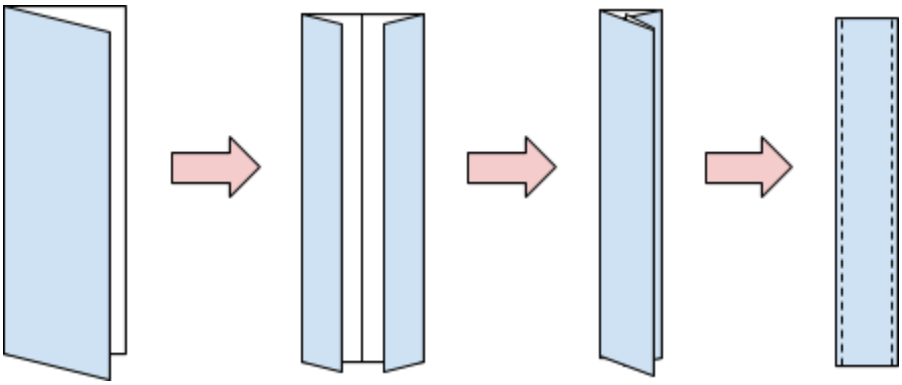
2. Cut out a 1.5 inch x 1.5 inch square from the bottom corner of each sewn unit. Press open all seams.



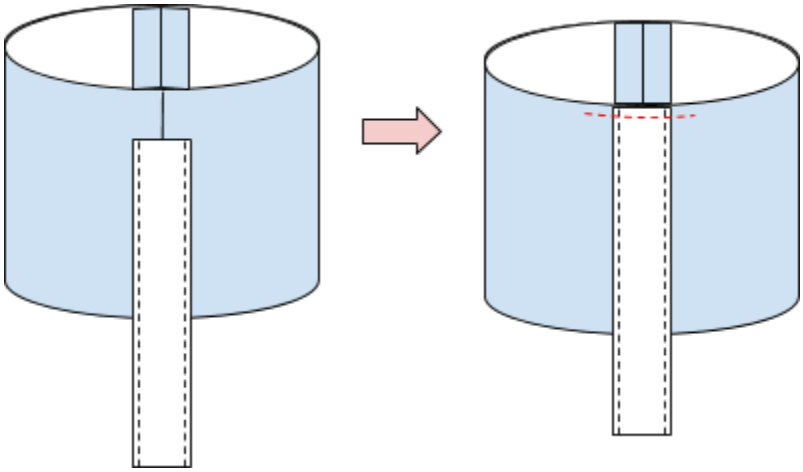
3. Bring the sides of each corner of the outer fabric to each other to form the corner of the bag, matching middle seams and edges. Sew together. Repeat for other corner. Repeat for both corners of the lining. Trim seam allowances to ¼ inch.



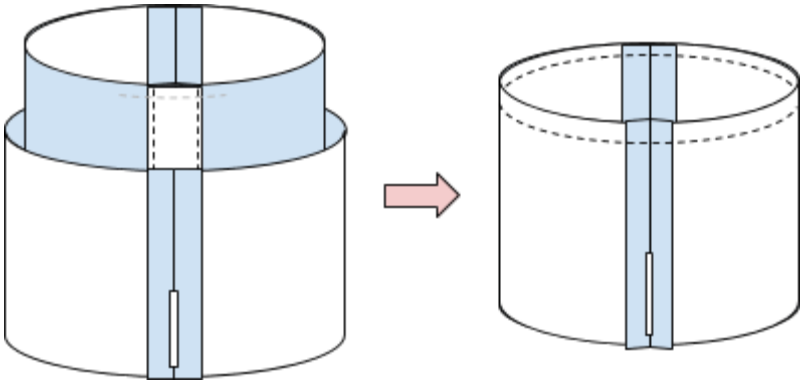
4. Press the handle in half. Open up and press each side into the middle. Press the two sides together. Stitch close to the edge down each side.



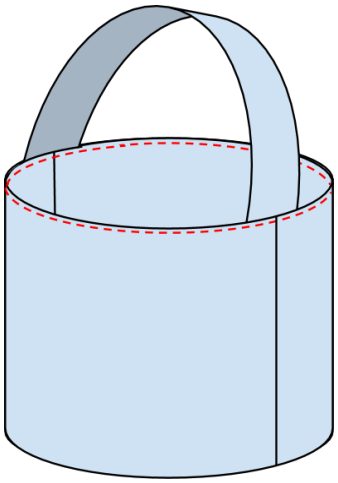
5. Place one end of the handle over each of the two side seams on the right side of the outer bag, matching top edge of outer bag to the end of handle. Sew in place with a ⅜ inch seam.



6. Place the lining inside the outer bag, right sides together and matching seams. Stitch along the top edge. Use the gap in the bottom of the lining piece to turn right side out.



7. Press the top edge seam, being sure to press the lining to the inside. Optional: top stitch around the top edge for a finished look.



8. Stitch the lining gap by machine or by hand.