



ZakkaWithAli's Lyn Device Bag

The Lyn Device Bag is fully padded with a quilted front, a stiffened back lining and an inner pocket.

The prototype is made from 100% cotton (including batting and threads) and is fully machine washable. Pussy-cat contrast fabric and purple canvas are part of the ZakkaWithAli. I recommend canvas or similar for the outer fabric. In this example the front fabric is from Ikea.

The measurements are for a netbook (or Macbook) and can be adjusted for notebooks.



Although this was designed for Lyn's netbook, she uses it as a multi-purpose bag as it is bright, cheerful and it is convenient to use because of the structure.

Before starting, wash and iron all fabric, including the batting, following the manufacturer's guidelines. If the fabric is prone to fraying, oversee the edges first. While you are making the bag iron each seam open after sewing for the best finish. The prototype was sewn on a Toyota Super Jeans Sewing Machine SPJ26X and a jeans needle. Time to make 2 hrs.



Cut:

- 1 piece 36 x 42 cm front fabric (13"x16")
- 1 piece 36 x 42 cm back fabric
- 2 pieces 36 x 42 cm lining fabric
- 2 pieces 36 x 42 cm quilted batting
- 2 pieces 60 x 12 cm back fabric for straps
- 1 piece 27cm x 22 cm back fabric for pocket
- 1 piece 36 x 42 cm iron-on stiffening (interfacing) (for best results use a strong grade)

To adjust the size, measure your device and add 2.5 cm (1" length and width)

Instructions:

1. Iron the stiffening onto the back of one piece of lining.
2. Take the pocket piece and iron under the seam allowance. Sew the top edge.
3. Position the pocket in the middle of the stiffened lining on the right side. Sew the three remaining sides.

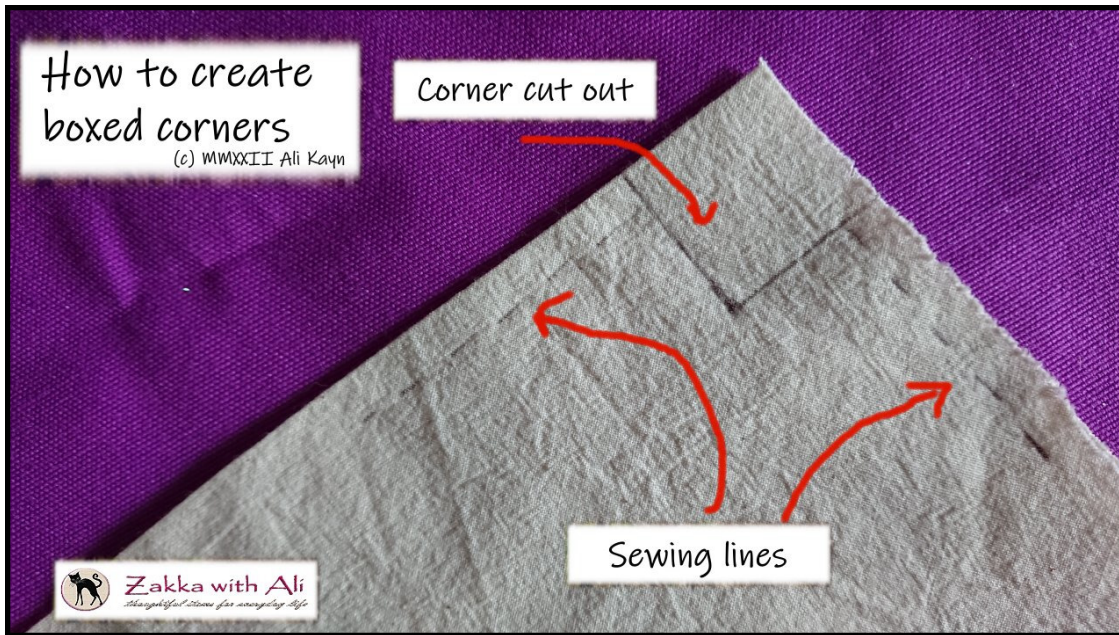
4. Place front fabric and a piece of batting wrong sides together. Stich the fabric together in a pattern or freehand to create a quilted piece. In the example I stitched at the diagonal 2 cm apart. Turn down the top edge of the front and back and iron.



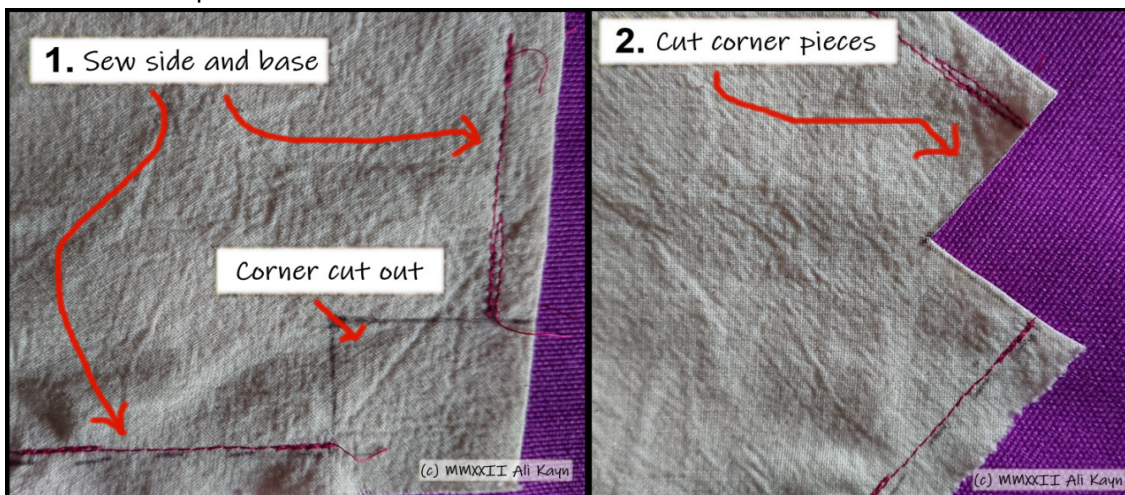
5. Fold over the seam allowance of the lining pieces and iron them down. Put the lining pieces face together and stitch the other three sides. Iron the seams, cut the corner points, turn and iron again.



6. Before making the boxed corners, decide how wide you want the bag. Lyn's bag is wide enough for general use and to take the power cord in the pocket. Alternatively, you can create a thinner bag for a snug fit.
7. Put the outer pieces face-to-face, making sure that any designs are oriented properly. Cut a square from the bottom corners. Lyn's roomy bag had cm squares.
8. Stitch along the sides and base.
9. Fold the corners and stitch. Iron and turn the bag right side out.
10. To make the straps, iron the seam allowances under on the long sides, fold in half lengthwise and iron. Sew each strap closed down the length.
11. Baste and iron down the top edges of the outer pieces.



12. Mark the bottom corners of the outer pieces and sew the sides and base. Iron the seams open.

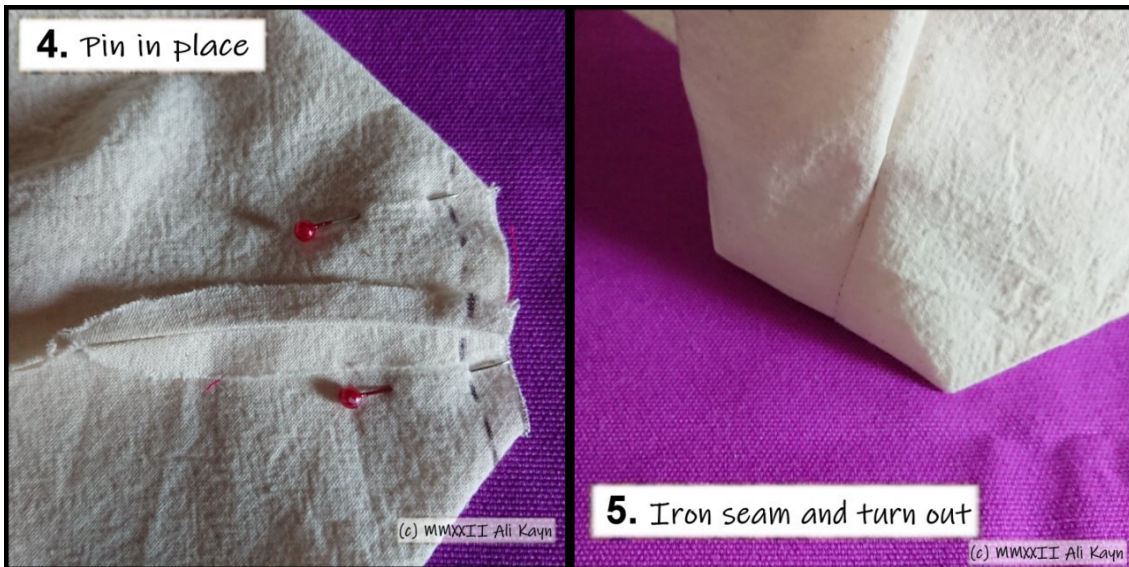


13. Cut the corners. Squeeze the base seam edges together (see picture).



14. Pin, sew the seams and iron the seams flat.

15. Turn the outer part and press into shape.



16. Place the lining inside the outer bag, lining up the top edges. Pin them together inserting the strap ends. Stitch the parts together.



17. Photograph the results (of course, this is the era of social media). Post on <http://facebook.com/ZakkaWithAli>

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