Raspberry Summer Charm Pack Tote

Finished size: 13" × 17" × 6½"

Requirements/Cutting

- 24 charm squares (5" x 5") for body
- ²/₃ yard for lining cut into:
 - (2) 21" x 23"
- ¹/₈ yard bottom fabric cut into: • (2) 4" x 181/2"
- ¹/₄ yard accent fabric cut into:
 - (2) 3" x 31" for straps
 - (2) 2¹/₂" x 19" for top bindings
 - (1) 1¹/₂" x 12" for bottom binding
 - (2) 1¹/₂" x 15" for side bindings
 - (2) 1¹/₂" x 8" for bottom corner bindings
- 21" x 46" Soft & Stable or fusible fleece or batting cut into: • (2) 21" x 23"
- 2 yards 1" Polypro strapping cut into:
 - (2) 30" lengths (or to your preferred length)
- Optional: Clover chalk marker and Wonder clips, stiletto

Make the Body

All seams are ¼" and pressed open.

1. Join (12) 5" squares into a panel as shown. Add a bottom rectangle.



2. Layer the lining, batting, and patchwork as shown. Quilt as desired. Trim to 16¹/₂" x 18". Cut a 3¼" square from the bottom corners. Bind the top edge with an 19" binding strip.



3. Make another body panel.

Make the Straps

4. Fold the fabric strip in half lengthwise and press. Unfold. Then fold all 4 edges $\frac{1}{2}$ " to the wrong side and press.

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a design by Sherri McConnell A Quilting Life 5. Insert the strap, refold the edges. Secure with Wonder Clips and sew a 1/8"

topstitching around

with the long open edge.

the strap, starting

a design by



Assembly

6. Pin each end of a handle $6\frac{1}{2}$ " from the side edges of the front panel and 3" from the top. I use a Clover Chalk Marker.



7. Sew each handle end from the top of the bag making a rectangle on the strap portion that is beneath the binding. Make a square at the bottom with an X in it for stability.



- 8. Lay the body panels right sides together and sew the side and bottom edges together. (Do not sew the bottom corners yet.) Bind the edges.

- 10. Turn the bag right side out and press.

Bind.

9. Fold the bottom corners as

shown and sew a $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam.

Enjoy your charm pack bag!

