Around the Block Tote
Bandana USA

FREE DOWNLOAD PATTERN
16½" x 13½" x 4"

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Cutting Instructions:

Fabric 1 – (Block Centers)

Cut (2) 7 ¾" x 4 ¼" rectangles.

Fabric 2 (Placement 1 & 2) Cut:

1) (2) 2 ½" x 7 ¾"
2) (2) 2 ½" x 6 ¼"

Fabric 3 (Placement 3 & 4) Cut:

3) (2) 2 ½" x 9 ¾"
4) (2) 2 ½" x 8 ¼"

Fabric 4 (Placement 5 & 6) Cut:

5) (2) 2 ½" x 11 ¾"
6) (2) 2 ½" x 10 ¼"

Fabric 5 (Placement 7 & 8) Cut:

7) (2) 2 ½" x 13 ¾"
8) (2) 2 ½" x 12 ¼"

Fabric 6 (Placement 9 & 10) Cut:

9) (2) 2 ½" x 15 ¾"
10) (2) 2 ½" x 14 ¼"

Fabric 7 (Placement 11 & 12) Cut:

11) (2) 2 ½" x 17 ¾"
12) (2) 2 ½" x 16 ¼"

Supplies (Bandana USA Collection)

Fabric 1 – 80673-43 - FQ or 1/4 yd

Fabric 2 – 80674-24 - FQ or 1/8 yd

Fabric 3 – 80673-45 - FQ or 1/4 yd

Fabric 4 – 80673-24 - FQ or 1/4 yd

Fabric 5 – 80671-45 - FQ or 1/4 yd

Fabric 6 – 80671-25 - FQ or 1/4 yd

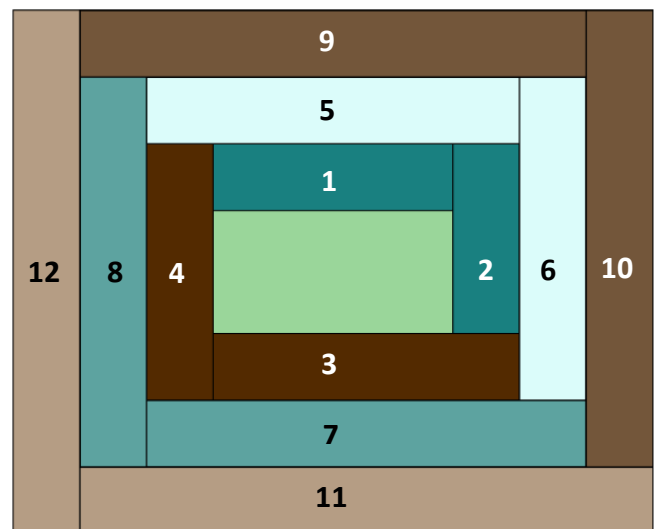**Fabric 7** – 80675-49 - FQ or 1/4 yd

Lining – 80673-45 – 1/2 yd

Pockets – 80673-45 – 2/3 yd

Handles – 80671-25 – 1/4 yd

Fusible Fleece – 1/2 yd

Décor Bond - 1 yd

Magnetic Snap (optional)

Lining:

Cut (2) 16 ¼" x 19 ¾" rectangles.

Pockets:

Cut (2) 14 ¼" x 21 ½" rectangles.

Handles:

Cut (2) 5" x 21" strips.

Fusible Fleece:

Cut (2) 16 ¼" x 19 ¾" for log cabin blocks.
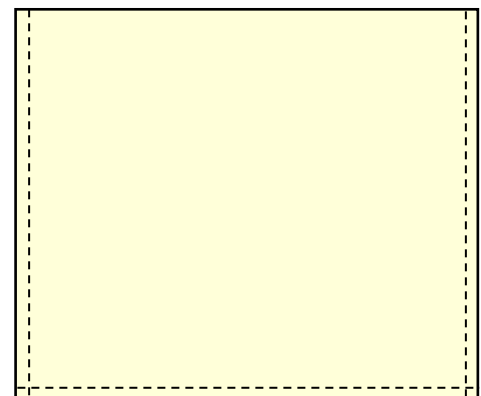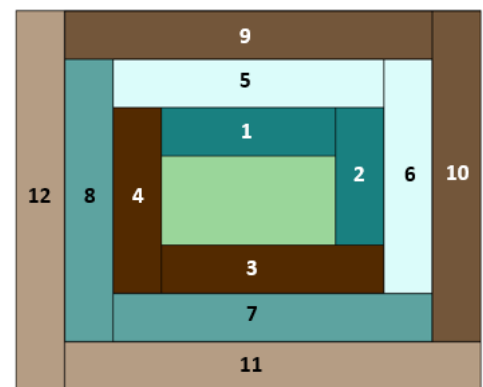
Cut (2) 5" x 21" for handles.

Décor Bond:

Cut (2) 16 ¼" x 19 ¾" for lining.

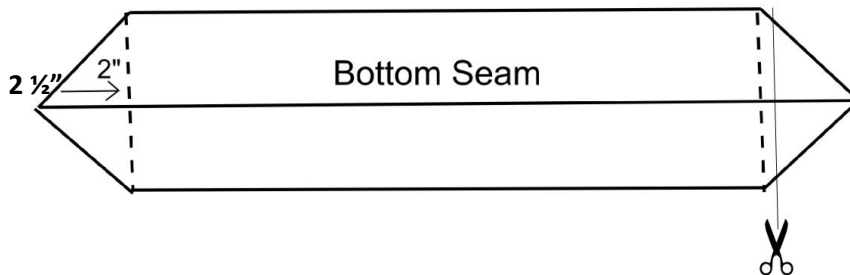Cut (2) 14 ¼" x 10 ¾" for pockets.

❖ Sew with a ¼" seam unless directed otherwise.
❖ Backstitch at the beginning and end of all seams.

Log Cabin Block Assembly:

- Sew strips around 7 ¾" x 4 ¼" center rectangle, clockwise, in numbered order, as shown.
  Press seams toward last strip added.
- Press 16 ¼" x 19 ¾" fusible fleece pieces to wrong side of log cabin blocks.
- Place blocks right sides together (RST) and sew bottom and side seams.

- *With tote inside out, line up a side seam with bottom seam as shown.
- Measure in 2 ½" from point and mark.
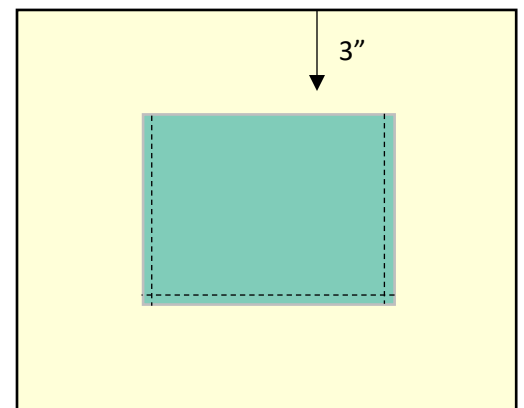- Sew on marked line and trim, leaving ¼".*

Lining & Pockets:

- Fuse 16 ¼" x 19 ¾" Décor Bond to wrong side of both lining pieces.
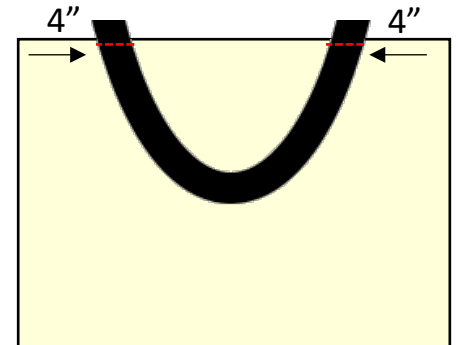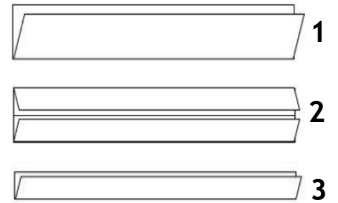- Fuse 14 ¼" x 10 ¾" Décor Bond to wrong side of one half of both pocket pieces as shown.

- Fold pocket pieces in half (14 ¼" x 10 ¾"), RST, and sew side seams.
- Sew bottom seam leaving a 4" opening.
- Trim corners, turn right side out (RSO) & press.
- With fold at top, pin a pocket onto the right side of each lining piece, 3" down from top and centered.
- Stitch sides and bottom of pockets to lining using an ⅛" seam and closing the opening for turning.
- Mark and sew dividing lines if desired.
- Place lining pieces RST and sew side seams.
- Sew bottom seam leaving an 8" opening.
- Repeat steps between * above.

Handles:

- Fuse 5" x 21" fusible fleece strips to wrong side of handles.
- Fold (1) 5" x 21" handle piece in half lengthwise, (2 ½" x WOF), wrong sides together, and press.
- Open out and press long raw edges to an ⅛" from center fold line.
- Fold sides back to center (they won't quite touch).
- Fold on original center crease (1 ¼"x 21") and press, adhering fusible fleece.
- Topstitch along both long edges.
- Repeat for second handle. Optional: Sew a decorative stitch down center.
- On right side of both lining pieces, pin handles along top edge 4" in from both sides, with ½" extending above edge as shown.
- Check to make sure handles are not twisted and baste using an ⅛" seam.

Finishing:

- With lining RSO and tote inside out, place lining inside of tote, RST. Handles will be in between.
- Matching side seams, pin around top of tote and sew with a ¼" seam.
- Turn tote RSO through opening in lining.
- Press and topstitch around top of tote.
- Optional: Insert snap 1 ½" down from top and centered, following manufacturers instructions.
- Slip stitch, or machine stitch close to edge, the opening in the lining.
- With side seams indented into the center, bring sides RST.
- Place a mark on the top of the tote, 1 ½" in from the side seams. Sew down vertically 1" from mark.