

# Threads n Scissors

## Christmas Tote Bags

### Method

#### Lining

1. Cut 2 pieces of Print Fabric 17.5 cm x 25 cm. Put pieces right sides together.



2. Hoop 1 to 2 layers water soluble. Place fabric on hooped stabilizer and stitching lining design.



3. Remove design from hoop and cut out of stabilizer. Cut around the designs leaving a 1 cm fabric seam.



### Materials

**Water soluble stabilizer**

**Christmas Printed Fabric**

**Plain Fabric**

**Mylar**

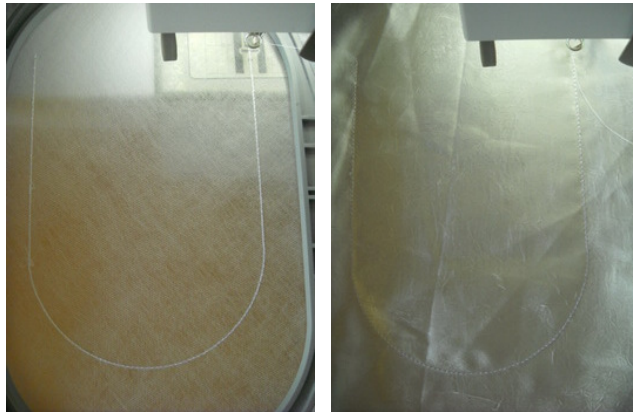
**Thin Cording**

**Magic Tape**

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## Bag Front

1. Hoop 1 to 2 layers water soluble stabilizer. Cut 1 piece of plain fabric 17.5 cm x 25 cm. Stitch first color. Put fabric onto stitched area on the hooped stabilizer and stitch the second color.



2. Stitch the next color. Cut a piece of printed fabric 16 cm x 5 cm. Fold the one short edge in and crease the fold with your finger nail. Place the folded edge onto the open edge of the stitch piece. Do not let the folded edge go over the stitched bag side. Tape into place. Fold the other edge in and place on the other open edge. You may need to trim the fabric so you don't have a large piece of fabric folded in. The fabric must lie flat.



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3. Stitch next color. Trim fabric. Stitch next color.



4. Now for the Mylar Design. Place a piece of mylar onto the lower end of the bag. Stitch out the rest of the design.



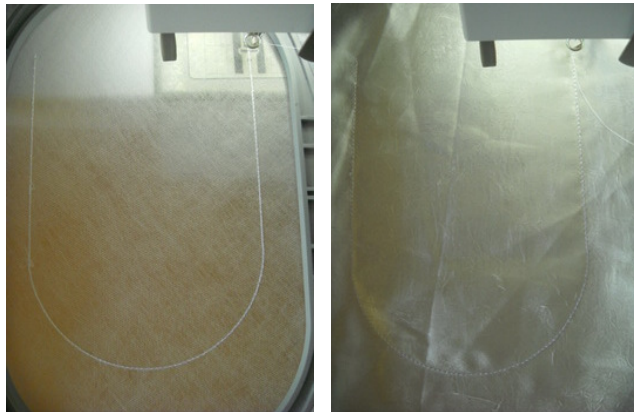
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## Putting the bag together

Place front and back of bag together with the right sides to the inside. Match the fabric gussets on sides. Using a sewing machine and straight stitch, stitch the bag on the running stitches. Don't stitch the open ends of the fabric gussets closed when stitch pieces together. Turn bag right side out. Put the lining in the bag. Fold the open edge of the lining and the bag to the inside so that the raw edges are between the lining and the bag. Stitch lining to bag. Thread cording or ribbon through gusset to finish bag.

