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Materials required:
1/3 yard 35376C-2 Slate Tree
5/8 yard 35380C-2 Slate Cherry*
1 1/4 yard 35379C-8 Dandelion Stripe

* can buy 1 fat quarter or 1/2 yard only if the cut is a generous 18” in length.

Additional Supplies:
1 yard Medium Weight Fusible Interlining
(1) Stiff board or cardboard for inside bottom cut 3” x 15”

Cutting:
35376-2 Slate Tree
(2) 18” x 4” strips for top portion
(2) 18” x 6” strips for bottom portion

35380-2 Slate Cherry
(2) 7 1/2” x 18” strips for mid-portion

35379-8 Dandelion Stripe
(4) 2” x 18” strips for inset portion
(2) 18” x 19 1/4” strips for lining
(2) 3 1/2” x 27” strips for handles
(1) 7 1/4” x 18” strips for bottom inset

Interlining - cut same as for lining
(2) 1 1/2” x 18” strips
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**Outside Assembly:**

- All seams are 1/4” wide unless specified

1. Take yellow stripe and attach to the bottom of the top portion. Press seam open.

2. Take middle section and attach it to the bottom of the stripe. Press seam open.

3. Take second yellow stripe and attach to the bottom of the middle section. Press seam open.

4. Take bottom section and cut a 1 1/2” square off each bottom corner. Diagram A

5. Attach the bottom section to the bottom of the second stripe. Press seam open.

6. Repeat for the other side of the tote.

7. With right sides together, stitch the bottom opening closed. Then join the side seams. Diagram B

8. Pinch the the open sections of the bottom corner squares together and stitch closed. Diagram C

**Lining Assembly:**

1. Apply the fusible interlining to the wrong side of the lining following the manufacturer’s recommended instructions.

2. Take the 2 sides of the lining and cut a 1 1/2” square out of each bottom corner as shown in Diagram A.

3. With right sides together, stitch the bottom opening closed.

5. Join the side seams leaving a 3-4” opening on one side for turning the tote later.

6. Join the end of the bag side to the end of the bottom as shown in Diagram C.

**Handles:**

1. Take a 1 1/2” x 27” strip of fusible lining and attach to wrong side of handle 1/4” from 3 sides.

2. With right sides together, sew long seam. Turn and press flat. Edge stitch both long sides followed by a second stitch 1/4” from the first.
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3. Repeat for the other handle.

4. Attach one handle to the top edge of the bag 3” from the side seam. Fold and attach the other side of the handle 3” from the other side seam. Be sure to reinforce the stitch as the handles carry a lot of stress.

5. Repeat for the other side.

Final Assembly:

1. With right sides together, put the lining into the tote bag. Be sure to tuck handles inside. Stitch the top edge of tote.

2. Reinforce the stitch over the handles to make them secure.

3. Carefully turn to the right side through the opening left in the lining side seam. Topstitch the opening in the side seam to close.

4. Press the top of the bag to make sure the edge is flat. Slightly roll the edge inside so that the lining does not show to the outside. Add a edge to hold in place.

5. Tack the lining to the bottom of the bag to keep it securely in place.

Bottom Insert:

1. Take the bottom insert and take a tape measure and run around the width of the piece to get the exact measurement. (Depending on the stiffener you are using, there might be slightly different thicknesses) Then add one 1/4” to allow some room for ease.

2. Stitch together on the long edge. Turn and press flat so that the seam is centered. Cut away excess seam allowance if needed.

2. Slide the insert into the fabric tube and carefully tuck the end into the tube. Insert into the bottom of the tote bag to give it some structure. You are ready to go!

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