



Clothesline

# BALI BAGS

Classic tote bag made with clothesline or Duo-Fuse

## Materials



Duo-Fuse

### Fabric:

Buy good quality cotton; does not have to be washed. Use 2 1/2" strips cut the full width of the fabric, generally 42/44". Avoid flannel or heavier fabric. Hoffman CA Fabrics' Bali Pops™, which contain 40 individual batik strips, works perfectly.

### FOR A BAG MADE WITH CLOTHESLINE

Fabric - 2 3/4 yards or 31- 2 1/2" x 42/44" fabric strips

30 for the bag, 1 for binding the bag

Note: you may want a few extras for a taller or wider bag.

Clothesline - 125 feet

Cotton braid clothesline that is 3/16" to 7/32" in diameter; rated for 12 lbs. It can have a non-cotton (synthetic) core as long as it is soft and flexible. Do not use poly clothesline.

### FOR A BAG MADE WITH DUO-FUSE

Fabric - 1 3/4 yards or 21 - 2 1/2" x 42/44" fabric strips

20 for the bag, 1 for binding the bag

Note: you may want a few extras for a taller or wider bag.

DUO-FUSE 1 1/2 yards or 22- 2 1/4" x 45" strips

Duo-Fuse is a beefy double-sided fusible batting available in 1 yard packages.

### FOR BOTH TECHNIQUES

Purchased Handles OR 1/4 yard of coordinating fabric and 1/4 yard 45" wide medium weight batting and 6 feet of 1/4" polyethylene .170 plumbing tubing (found in hardware stores)

Matching cotton thread

This project uses a lot of thread. Before beginning, pre-fill at least 3 bobbins. A 50-weight 2-ply thread is perfect for this project. Try Aurifil thread.

Optional : Buttons

Sample include buttons made by Dill.

Optional: lining and pockets - 1/2 yard of coordinating fabric

Other Tools Sewing Machine with a good zigzag stitch and a free arm, machine needles Microtex 90/14 and Denim 110/18 and a Plexi-glass extension table. Scissors (both large and small), rotary mat and cutter, seam ripper, measuring tape.

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