# **Around the Block Tote**

## Bandana Canada

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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) 2½" x 8¼"

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 Canada Collection)** 

Fabric 1 - 80674-24 - FQ or 1/4 yd

Fabric 2 - 80672-92 - FQ or 1/8 yd

Fabric 3 - 81000-247 - FQ or 1/4 yd

Fabric 4 - 80674-92 - FQ or 1/4 yd

Fabric 5 - 80671-25 - FQ or 1/4 yd

**Fabric 6** – 80675-92 - FQ or 1/4 yd

Fabric 7 - 81300-29 - FQ or 1/4 yd

Lining - 81300-99 - 1/2 yd

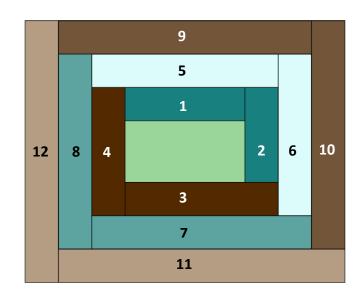
**Pockets** -80674-24-2/3 yd

Handles – 80675-92 – 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 1/4" x 21 1/2" rectangles.

#### **Handles:**

Cut (2) 5" x 21" strips.

#### **Fusible Fleece:**

Cut (2) 16 % x 19 % for log cabin blocks.

Cut (2) 5" x 21" for handles.

#### **Décor Bond:**

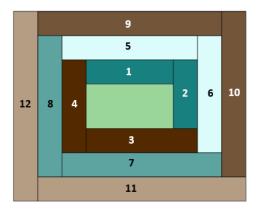
Cut (2) 16 ¼" x 19 ¾" for lining.

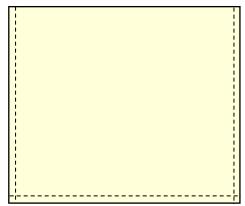
Cut (2) 14 ¼" x 10 ¾" for pockets.

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

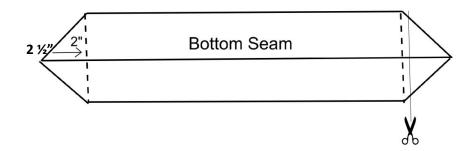
### Log Cabin Block Assembly:

- 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.



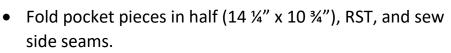


- \*With tote inside out, line up a side seam with bottom seam as shown.
- Measure in 2 ½" from point and mark.
- Sew on marked line and trim, leaving ¼".\*



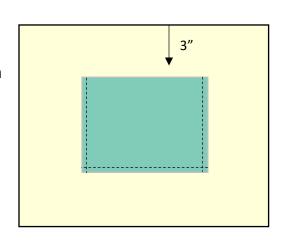
#### **Lining & Pockets:**

- 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.



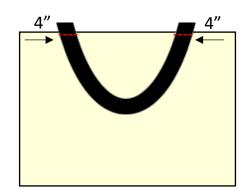
- Sew bottom seam leaving a 4" opening.
- Trim corners, turn right side out (RSO) & press.
- With fold at top, pin a pocket onto the right side of each lining piece, 3" down from top and centered.
- Stitch sides and bottom of pockets to lining using an \%" seam and closing the opening for turning.
- 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 1/4" from center fold line.
- Fold sides back to center (they won't quite touch).
- Fold on original center crease (1 ½"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 1/8" 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.

