

Project 1: Drawstring Bag



Materials	Tools
Fabric 8.5" x 20"	Sewing machine
Ribbon $\frac{3}{8}$ "- $\frac{1}{2}$ ": 2, 21" pieces	Measuring tape or ruler
Matching Thread	Fabric scissors
	Sewing pins
	Iron
	Turning tool

Steps for Making the Drawstring Bag:

1. Cut a piece of fabric that measures 8.5" x 20"
2. Next, lay the fabric on the wrong side up.
3. At each corner, make one cut. Each of the cuts are 2" *in* from the short sides (left or right edge), and 0.5" from the long sides (top or bottom edge). MAKE ONLY 4 CUTS.
4. Fold each of the cuts in towards the center of the fabric and press them all down with an iron.



5. Next, sew down the small open edges. See red lines below



6. Next, fold the short sides up by 1/4" and press down.

7. Then fold the short sides again so the edges align with the cut. Press down with iron.



8. Stitch down at 1/8" to NEW FOLDED EDGE (black dotted line). Repeat stitching down on the other side. Make sure to back stitch.



9. Next, fold fabric in half, right sides together. Stitch at 1/2" seam allowance on both sides (black dotted line). Make sure to back stitch.



10. OPTIONAL: Sew the edges with the overlock or zigzag stitch to prevent fraying.
11. Turn the drawstring pouch to the right side.



12. Next, thread the drawstrings through the casing and tie a knot on both ends.

- a. Thread the first piece of ribbon starting on the LEFT side of the casing
 - b. Thread the second piece of ribbon starting on the RIGHT side of the casing
13. Sew a stitch where the casing ends meet. Go back and forward a few times to ensure the stitch.



14. Tada! Your bag is done! Finished measurements of the drawstring bag is 7.5" x 9"



Inspired by: [How to Make a Very Easy Drawstring Bag \(Free Pattern in 4 Sizes\) - \(mindymakes.com\)](http://mindymakes.com)

