Charm Tote **Tote Pattern**



Tote is 161/2" × 16" × 2"

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FABRIC REQUIREMENTS

- 1 Moda Charm Pack or (34) 5" squares
- ¼ yard for Straps
- ½ yard for Lining

CUTTING -

- 1. From the Charm Pack:
 - Select (34) squares. From each square, cut
 (2) 2¹/₂" × 5" strips.
- 2. From the straps fabric:
- Cut (2) 31/2" × 38" strips or adjust length to fit.
- 3. From the lining fabric:
 - Cut (1) 16 1/2" × 36" rectangle.

INSTRUCTIONS

Use ¼" seam allowance unless otherwise instructed. RST = right sides together.

- 1. Prepare straps.
 - With RST, press a $3\frac{1}{2}$ " × 38" strip in half lengthwise.
 - Stitch together and turn right side out. Make (2).

- 2. Make Patchwork.
 - Choose (34) Charm squares. Cut each square in half. Join the 2½" × 5" strips into (8) rows of (8).
 - Join the ends of (4) of the rows to make circles.
 - Cut each of the **(4)** circles halfway between two seams to help stagger the rectangles.
 - Join the (8) strips together to make the patchwork.



- 3. Make Bag and Lining.
 - Fold patchwork rectangle, RST, matching the 16½" top edges. Pin and stitch ½" side seams.
 - Draw 2" right angles at each bag bottom corner and cut on marked lines.
 - Fold bottom corner cut openings together so that the side seam falls centered on the opposite side of the opening. Stitch together using a ¼" seam and stitch a reinforcing seam 1/8" beyond the first seam.
 - Repeat using 161/2" × 36" lining rectangle.



4. Assemble Charm Tote.

Begin with the charm bag turned right side out and the lining turned wrong side out.

- Fold over ¹/₂" around the the top edge of both the Charm bag and lining (charm bag fold inward and lining fold outward).
- Position ends of straps on opposite sides on the inside of the Charm bag. Pin.
- Place lining inside Charm bag.
- Match and pin seams and edges of Charm bag and lining together. Check that the ends of the straps are sandwiched between the Charm bag and lining.
- Top stitch ¼" from edge of bag. Sew a second row of top stitching ¼" from original *(along rim edge).*

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