

# Indie Bag



a During Quiet Time design

This bag has a magnetic snap closure, pleated body, hand stitched details, and two straps to be worn over your shoulder.

Copyright © 2012 by Amy Friend, [duringquiettime.blogspot.com](http://duringquiettime.blogspot.com)

Permission is not granted to commercial mass production.

**Supplies:**

1/4 yard strap material -Afro Fusion Dusk  
less than a fat quarter of Dynasty Mandarin, Geisha Bliss, Marqueterie Berry, Geisha Passion  
1/2 yard lining material-Wonderlust Soleil  
scraps natural linen  
1/2 yard interfacing  
1/2 yard fusible fleece  
magnetic snap

All seam allowances are 1/4"

Approximate finished dimensions: 9 1/2" x 9 1/2" x 3" (straps not included)

**\*To print your pattern piece, set the print scaling to "none" or "100%."**

**Assembly Directions**

1. Cut two pieces of natural linen measuring 1 1/2" high by 11" wide. Make three rows of running hand stitches using 3 strands of embroidery floss.
2. Using your pattern piece, cut two of the bag top out of Afro Fusion Dusk. Seam these pieces to the linen pieces to create the top of your bag. Back with fusible interfacing.



3. Cut strips from your 4 bag body prints. The outermost strips should measure 4 3/4" w x 8 3/4" h. The two center strips measure 3 1/4" w x 8 3/4" h. Sew them together with 1/4" seams. Back with fusible interfacing.

4. To pleat the top, measure over 2" from the center seam and bring that point back one inch toward the center seam. From the newly formed pleat, move over two more inches and take that point and move it toward the center point one inch. You are creating 1/2" pleats. See pictures.





Baste upper edge.



5. Pin pleats straight down so sides of bag are parallel. Now use this bag front to cut two lining pieces. Apply fusible fleece to the wrong side of the lining.



6. Apply magnetic snaps to the lining pieces, centered, 1" from upper edge.



7. With lining right sides together, stitch the side and bottom seam, leaving an opening in the bottom for turning. With bag exterior right sides together, sew side and bottom seam.
8. To create the gussets, on both lining and exterior pieces, cut the corners 1 1/4" inches in, then sew with a 1/4" seam.





9. Cut a 4" x wof strip of strap fabric along with a 2" wide x wof strip of interfacing. Center the interfacing on the wrong side of the strap. Fold wrong sides together and iron, creating a vertical crease. Bring outer edges of strap into the center to meet the crease. Press. You will create a 1" wide strap. Top stitch both sides of strap.



Decide how long you want your straps and cut two. I cut mine 16 1/2" long.

10. Position the straps right sides together with bag exterior and pin.



11. With bag lining and bag exterior right sides together, stitch along the upper edge of the bag. Clip curves and trim the corners. Turn the bag through the opening in the lining and then hand stitch it closed.





12. Top stitch upper edge.



You are done! I hope you have enjoyed this free pattern!

