

Pet Screen Project Bag

Supplies

Pet screen 11" x 18"

Fabric 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ " x 11"

Nylon zipper at least 14"

Buttons for embellishment

Directions

Fold under $\frac{1}{4}$ " on 11" edges of fabric and press. Measure approximately 3" from short side of pet screen and top-stitch one folded edge of fabric on top of pet screen. Smooth fabric and stitch second folded edge to pet screen. You should have about 7" of pet screen visible below the fabric.

To install zipper: With right side of pet screen facing up, place closed zipper right side down. Edge of zipper tape should be aligned with one short edge of pet screen. Let the ends of the zipper extend equally beyond both sides. Using a zipper foot, stitch close to zipper teeth. Backstitch at beginning and end. Stitch again close to edge of zipper tape. Fold the seam under and topstitch through pet screen from right side.

Fold the pet screen "right sides together" so that other short edge lines up with the un-sewn edge of the zipper tape. Stitch close to zipper teeth as before. Stitch again close to edge of zipper tape. Turn to right side, fold seam under and topstitch close to fold. Open the zipper.

Side Seams: Fold pet screen right sides together so that fabric accent is aligned. Stitch both side seams. Stitch carefully over zipper teeth. Cut off excess zipper. Finish raw edges of seam with a zig-zag stitch or bind raw edges with fabric. To make a "boxed" bottom, align side seams with center bottom of bag and stitch 1" away from edge on both sides. Trim excess pet screen and fabric and zig-zag or bind raw edges.

Turn bag right side out and add button trim if you wish.