Baby Lock Serger Project **Handy Bag**

Supplies Needed:

BabyLock JetAir or ExtroidinAir or RevolutionAir Threading Serger - In good working order Power cord and Foot control

4 spools Madeira or Maxi-Lock serger thread Optional - 2 spools of 12 weight Sulky thread – Solid or Blendables

#80/12 Topstitch needles

Clear or Standard Foot

Large eye blunt tip needle

General sewing supplies

Owner's Manual

Quick Reference Threading guide

Press cloth



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Materials Needed – for 1 Handy Bag Bag body: ½ yard 60" Rip-Stop Nylon

Bag topper: 1 – Fat Quarter Quilt Weight Cotton

Elastic: 6" of 3/8" wide **Recommend fabrics**:

Quilt Weight Cotton for Topper- non-directional print is

best

60" wide Rip-Stop Nylon for Bag Body

This is an easy and practical project. The handy bag is a great and green solution to using plastic shopping bags. The handy bag when unfolded is 15" tall from the bottom of the handles, 17" wide and has an 8" box bottom; when rolled up, it's 4" long, 2" in diameter, and weighs just a few ounces. Perfect to stash in your purse or luggage. To give you an idea of the volume, the picture on the right is stuffed with four bath towels. Techniques in the project: Flatlock stitch, serging curves and the easiest box bottom ever!!!

PROJECT PICTURE





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RIP-STOP NYLON

A note about Rip Stop Nylon –

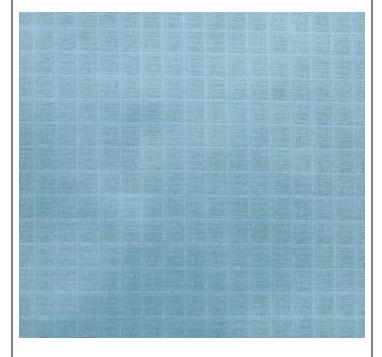
If you are not familiar with Rip-Stop Nylon – it's a woven nylon that has heavy thread every 1/4" or so to help stop rips. It's also very lightweight and will squish down to almost nothing. Most often used for hiking, camping, and outdoor items, (think down sleeping bag stuff sack)

Rip-Stop comes in uncoated and coated – coated means that there is water-resistant coating usually silicone and polyurethane – Coated is nice for this project in case you have spills from take out – you can just wipe them up – I know this from personal experience!!!!

JoAnn Stores look to have a pretty good selection of uncoated, and some colors are available online only, looks like basic colors are available in the stores – probably found in with the Utility fabrics – check the end of the bolt, it should say Rip-Stop

Seattle Fabrics has a good selection of both coated and uncoated
Here is a link to their web site
https://www.seattlefabrics.com/

In the Portland Metro area, **Mill Ends** Beaverton also has Rip-Stop, they may even have some coated – I don't know about the Milwaukie store – **again check the end of the bolt for Rip-Stop** – the Beaverton store has one on the wall that is plaid nylon, but it's not Rip-Stop!



Closeup view of Rip-Stop

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