

EASY ZIPPERED BOX POUCH

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Supplies Needed:

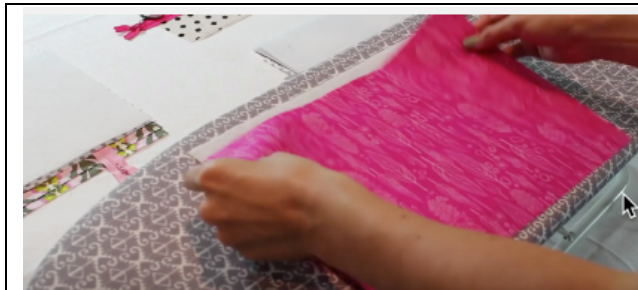
Two different colored fabrics

Outside Fabric: two each 13 inches by 9 ½ inches rectangle
Lining Fabric: two each 13 inches by 9 ½ inches rectangle
one strip 2 ¼ inch by 7 inch for pull tab

Fusible fleece: two each 13 inches by 9 ½ inches

One 14-inch zipper

Sewing thread, straight pins, and clover clips









Place fusible fleece on ironing board with bumpy side up.


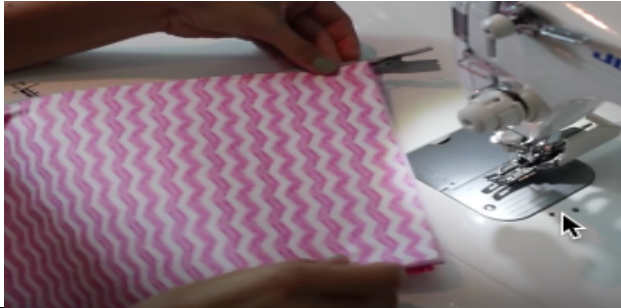



Place outside fabric on top of fleece face up.



Press to fuse fleece to fabric.

Repeat so both pieces are fused.

	<p>Place zipper, teeth side down, on the top of one of the outside pieces.</p>
	<p>Place lining face down on top of the zipper and line up all three pieces.</p>
	<p>Use clover clips to keep in place.</p>
	<p>Using the edge of the presser foot as your guide, sew through all layers, removing clover clips as you stitch.</p> <p>Repeat for other side.</p> <p>Trim to square up sides.</p>
	<p>Fold back lining and outside fabric from the zipper.</p> <p>Press.</p>
	<p>Top stitch on both sides of the zipper.</p>

	<p>Take the 2 ¼ inch by 7 inch strip and fold in half lengthwise.</p> <p>Press. Fold 1/4 inch on each side and press. Top stitch on both sides. Cut into two pieces. (or you can make a tube and then top stitch as above)</p>
	<p>Fold bag in half from the zipper, with the outside fabric inside and lining outside.</p> <p>Line up the bottom of the bag.</p> <p>Sew bottom of the bag together with ½ inch seam allowance.</p>
	<p>Zig zag the seam to finish the bottom seam.</p>
	<p>Trim up both sides of the bag.</p> <p>Open up the zipper.</p>
	<p>Line up bottom seam with zipper.</p> <p>Fold the pull tab pieces in half and place one at each end of the zipper and pin in place, sandwich all layers together.</p> <p>Use care on the open end of the zipper to pin both sides in place prior to stitching.</p>

	<p>Sew the ends closed at ½ inch seam allowance. Sew back and forth across the zipper several times.</p> <p>Trim off the ends of the zipper at each end and zig zag seam.</p>
	<p>Mark sides of each corner 2 inches down.</p>
	<p>Put your finger into the corner and fold the corner to make a triangle. Line up the seam with the blue mark you just made.</p>
	<p>Put the ruler across the bottom of the triangle and make a 4-inch line.</p>
	<p>Pin in place and sew on the line on all 4 corners.</p> <p>Make sure to back stitch at the beginning and end of each seam.</p>

	<p>Trim off the triangle to ¼ inch seam allowance.</p>
	<p>Zig zag each corner seam to finish the seams.</p>
	<p>Trim off all hanging threads.</p>
	<p>Turn the bag inside out.</p>
	<p>Voila! You have sewn an easy zippered box pouch.</p>