

CORK ACCENT TOTE BAG CLASS

Date: Thursday, August 20, 2026

Time: 9:30 AM to 4:00 PM (1/2 hour allocated for a lunch break)

Cost: \$60.00

Instructor: Gail Maurer

Type: Sewing

Skill: Advanced Beginner

Stitch a designer tote with cork fabric accents on base and up sides, pockets, and strap connectors. There are 2 outside pockets, an inside hidden welt pocket and an inside slip pocket with magnetic snap closure. Add hardware to make attached or removable handles and adjustable strap with cork fabric or webbing.

Finished Size: Approximately 11.5" H X 12.5" W X 5" D

Pattern and instructions provided by instructor.

Materials and Supply List:

- Sewing Machine in good working order and knowledge of the machine, power cord, foot controller, manual and accessories (**zipper foot, Teflon foot**).
- **Main Fabric (batik, quilt weight cotton)** – exterior and pockets
 - 42" wide – 3/4 yard
- **Lining Fabric (batik, quilt weight cotton)** – interior and pockets
 - 42" wide – 1 yard (NOTE: can be directional widthwise, but not lengthwise)
- **Contrast (Cork) Fabric** – base and up sides, connectors, exterior side pocket accents, handles, adjustable strap.
 - 25"-27" wide cork fabric – 1/2 yard
- **OR Contrast non-woven Fabric** –
 - 25"-27" wide fabric – 1/4 yard (for base and up sides, connectors, exterior side pocket accents)
 - webbing for carry handles (2) 1" x 25"-27", adjustable strap (1" x 1.5 yards)
- **Sew-In Foam** – like by Annie Soft and Stable, basel In-R-Form or Pellon Flex Foam FF77 – 18" by 30"
- **Fusible Woven Interfacing** –like Pellon SF101 – if 20" wide – 1 yard
- **Fusible Fleece or Batting** – like Pellon 987F or warm & natural – if 20" wide – 1/4 yard
- **Heavy Stabilizer** – like Pellon Peltex 71F – if 20" wide – 1/8 yard
- **Hardware**
 - One Magnetic snap closure
 - Side Carry Handles
 - **Option 1:** for removable handles (4) 1" d-rings and (4) 1" swivel hooks.
 - **Option 2:** for permanent handles (4) 1" rectangles.
 - Adjustable Strap
 - **Option 1:** for removable adjustable strap – (1) 1" strap slider, (2) 1" d-rings, (2) 1" swivel hooks.
 - **Option 2:** for permanent adjustable strap – (1) 1" strap slider and (2) rectangles.
 - Optional: 4 bag feet

Helpful Notions: 40wt. polyester thread to match cork, main fabric, and lining, 90/14 (microtex, topstitch or universal) needle, sewing clips, pins, chalk or removable marking pen, basting spray, basting tape or glue, stiletto, zipper foot, Teflon foot, scissors, cutting mat, rotary cutter and ruler.

Pocono Sew and Vac offers all supplies needed to attend this class.

Pre-Class Homework:

- Pre-cut fabric and interfacing for tote bag. Cutting instructions for fabric and interfacing will be provided by contacting instructor, Gail Maurer - glmsew@gmail.com

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