

CREATING A SHOPPING BAG FROM A PILLOW CASE

1. Lay pillow case flat.

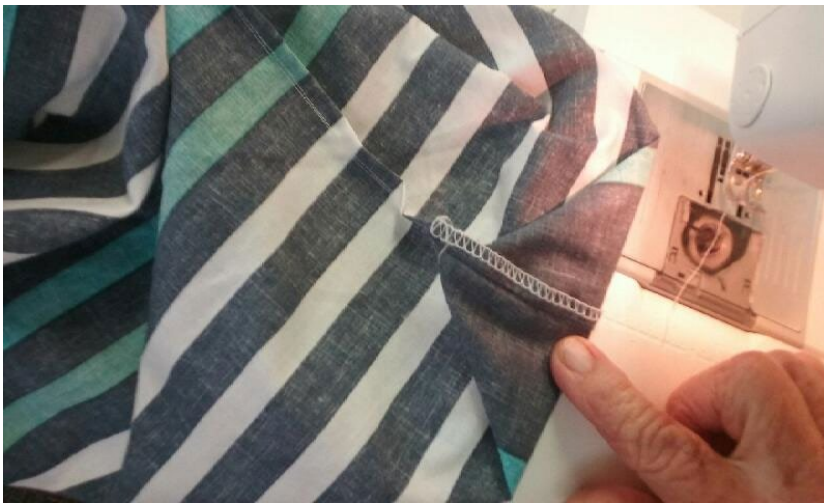


3. Turn main bag fabric to wrong side.

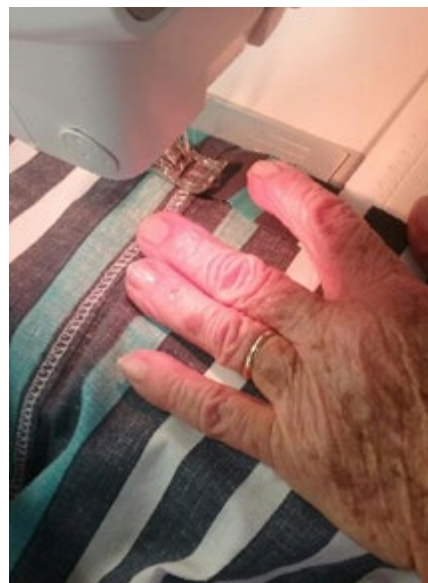
4. Using straight stitch, machine across the bag base twice.



5. Box stitch both bottom corners – stitch across twice.



6. Fold over top edge of bag twice to form a hem. Press. Stitch.



7. Turn bag right side out - it is now ready for straps.
8. Cut side-seamed edges from top piece (set aside in step 2) of pillow case.

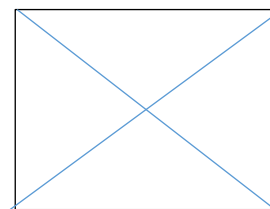


9. Cut two straps. Fold in half, right sides together.



10. Stitch long edge, leaving both ends open. Turn right side out.
11. With the seam in the centre and both ends folded inwards, press.

12. Attach straps each side of centre below top seam, stitching as shown.



13. *Optional:* stitch a pocket or decorative strip to front of bag using contrasting fabric.

14. Attach small loop to inside seam of bag for easy packing in supermarket



15. To create a shopping bag from a piece of fabric, cut two pieces 45cm x 45cm, stitch together on three sides, follow instructions from Step #5