

# Quick & Easy Wine Tote

To construct this wine tote, you will need...

Outer Fabric	1 fat quarter	Cut (1) 14"x17" rectangle
Lining	1 fat quarter	Cut (1) 14"x17" rectangle
Tie	3"	Cut (1) strip 2-1/2"x35"

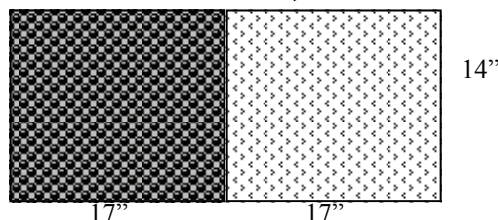


## Piecing Instructions

1. Begin by making the tie. Press 2-1/2"x35" strip in half lengthwise, wrong sides together. Open and press both edges in to meet at the center crease. Refold center crease and press again. Topstitch close to edge.



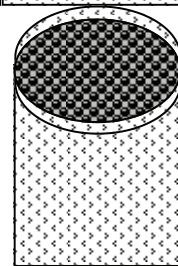
2. Stitch the outer print and lining rectangles together along the 14" edge. Press seam toward lining.



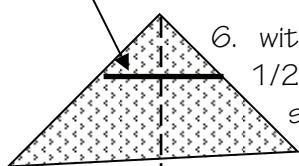
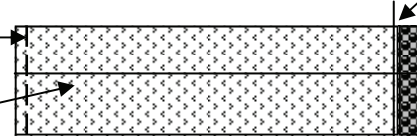
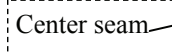
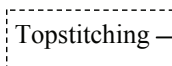
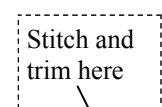
3. Fold the Step 2 rectangle in half lengthwise, wrong side out, matching center seams, and stitch a 1/4" seam along the long edge. Press seam open.



4. Fold the lining over the focus fabric. The lining will wrap around the seam and 1/4" of lining will show at the top edge of the focus print. Topstitch through all layers.



5. Lay the inside out wine tote flat on a cutting mat with the lengthwise seam centered. Use a rotary cutter and ruler to trim away excess fabric on the open end. Stitch a 1/4" seam through all layers. Zig-zag, pink or serge the edge to prevent raveling.



6. with the tote still inside out, fold each bottom corner as shown. Mark a 3" line 1-1/2" from the point. Stitch on the line. Trim seams to 1/4" and zig-zag, pink or serge the raw edges. This will make the bottom of the tote flat. Turn the tote right side out.

7. Tack the center of the tie to the back of the tote at the center back seam, 5" from the top edge. Knot ends of the tie and trim the ends close to the knots.

8. Place a bottle of wine inside, and tie the bow. Fold the top down so the lining shows. Keep it for yourself, or give the tote as a hostess gift. Enjoy!

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