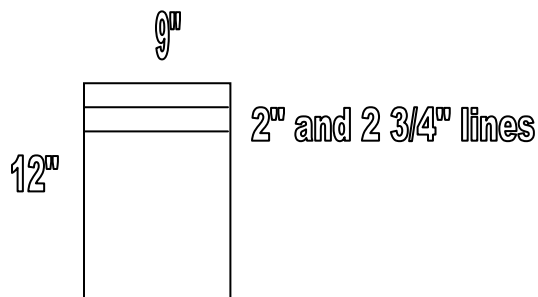


Directions for Bead Bags

1. Fat quarters are great for this project. There will be a small scrap left over.
2. Focus Fabric – From the focus fabric cut two (2) 9" x 12" pieces. On the right side and wrong side of the fabric, draw a horizontal line 2" from top of fabric. Draw another horizontal line 2 3/4" from top of fabric. (These are the markings for the drawstring.) With RST sew a 1/2" seam on both of the long sides of the fabric stopping at the 2" line. Be sure to back tack seams all seams. Next, stitch from the 2 3/4" line to the end of the fabric. (This leaves an opening to insert the drawstring.) Press seams open. Reinforce the openings for the drawstring. Stitch the bottom and turn right side out.
3. Lining Fabric – Cut two (2) 9" x 12" pieces. Stitch the long sides of the lining and press seams open. Stitch the bottom of the lining. Place the lining in the bead bag (Wrong sides will be together). If necessary even the top of the bag and lining.
4. Finish the top of the bag and lining.
5. Stitch along the 2" line. Stitch along the 2 3/4". This creates the casing for the drawstring.
6. Cut two (2) 26" pieces of cording. Fold back about 1/2" of cording and put a safety pin through the folded edge. Starting at one seam, thread all the way around the bag. Tie ends of cording together in a knot. Do the same with the other piece of cording starting at the opposite seam.



For a Small Bag

Cut fabric 7" x 10" and proceed the same as above except when stitching the two rows at the top for the cording sew first row 1 1/2" and the second row at 2 1/4". Be sure to back tack at seams. Cut cording 17".

RTS – Right Sides Together

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