

Heart Purse

If you want something fun to do with your daughter and something she can use once you're done, then this is the project for you. Create a small heart purse to carry just in time for Valentine's Day. My little girl has candy in it already!

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Supplies:

Baby Lock Esanté or embroidery machine with a 130mm x 180mm embroidery field

1/2 yard red fabric of your choice

1/2 yard red gingham fabric for lining

2 metal bead-able purse handles

Red, white, clear, and black craft beads

Permanent Stabilizer

Spray adhesive

1 roll coordinating ribbon

Iron on label

All-purpose thread & embroidery thread

Tape measure

Scissors

Heart embroidery design



Instructions:

1. Cut 2 -12" x 10" pieces from the red fabric, 2- 12" x 10" pieces from the lining; cut additional 5" x 7" and 5" x 6" pieces from the lining.
2. Set machine to embroidery. Get out your 5" x 7" hoop and hoop cut-away stabilizer. Spray with adhesive. Then lay red fabric on top. The adhesive will keep your fabric secure. Spray adhesive in the center of red fabric. Lay a 5" x 7" piece of lining on top for heart appliqué. Do not use spray adhesive on the heart lining fabric. Attach hoop to the machine. Once it has sewn the outline of the heart, stop the machine and carefully cut away the excess material. Do not remove your fabric from the hoop. Restart the machine to complete the design.

3. Switch machine back to the sewing setting.
4. Create your own label design or buy an iron on patch. I used the iron on patch and wrote my name on it with a fabric pen.
5. Take a 5" x 6" piece of liner and iron on name patch to the center. This is your pocket.
6. Edge-finish the top of the pocket by folding the edge down 1/4" and stitching. Sew pocket onto liner using a zig-zag stitch to minimize raveling.
7. Put beads on purse handles – create your own pattern.
8. Cut 4-2" pieces of ribbon. Fold in half through metal rings at the bottom of each handle and tack ribbon together.
9. Lay red material right side facing up. Center handles at top of red fabric, matching raw edges. Cut a 9" piece of ribbon and place it in the center of your handles. Put the liner on top with the pocket facing the right side of the purse. Pin together. Sew along the top, securing the handles and ribbon.
10. Fold the purse so wrong sides are together. Sew bottom and sides together. I put an extra stitch on the ribbons to reinforce the handles.
11. Repeat same steps for other side of purse.
12. Pin both sections together with liner facing out. Sew sides and bottom.
13. Turn inside out and you have an adorable purse. For a smaller purse follow same steps but cut material in 7"x6" pieces. I did not put a pocket in the small one.

Have fun!

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