



Tutorial

Assemble Double Pocket Slip + Zipper Overlay

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The method used in this pdf to assemble a double pocket may require a little more work compared to other techniques that are much faster, but the result is worth it. If you peek inside of the pocket, you can see how nice and neat it looks, since the edges and the seam are not visible which gives it a clean and professional look.



What pieces will you need?

- Lining main panel
- Zipper overlay
- Slip pocket piece
- Zip pocket piece

These pieces will be provided in the respective bag pattern and vary in each pattern according to the dimensions and characteristics of each design.

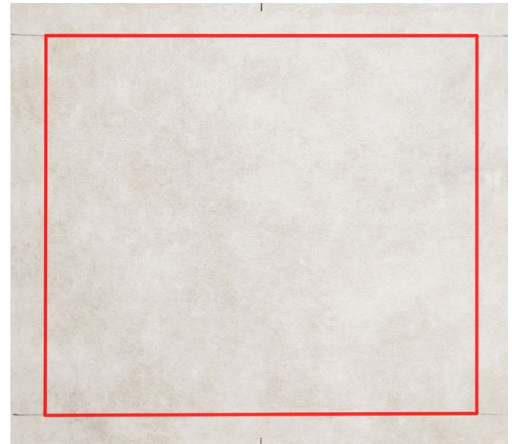
Materials:

- Zipper #5 according to your preference. (The suggested measurement will be found in the list of materials of each pattern).
- Double sided tape 6 mm (1/4") or temporary adhesive spray.
- Scissors
- Seam ripper or rotary cutter
- Pins and hooks
- Iron
- Coordinating thread
- Zipper foot

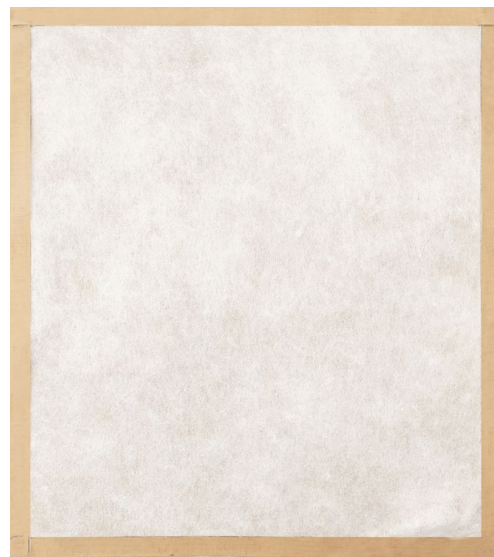
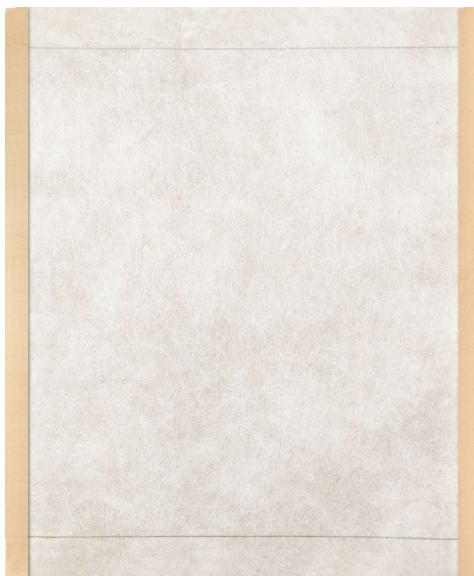
Instructions:

1. Flip the zipper overlay wrong side up. Transfer the rectangle for your zipper opening found on the corresponding pattern piece. Use a ruler and rotary cutter to cut through the rectangle.

2. Flip the slip pocket piece wrong side up. Transfer the 2 cm (3/4") allowance found on the corresponding pattern piece.



3. Apply glue or heat press to fold the edges up to the marked lines. You can fold the vertical edges first, and then the horizontal edges.



4. When you have folded all 4 edges nicely, match the top edge to the bottom edge wrong sides together, and press well into the crease to mark the middle of the piece. Secure the bottom edges with sewing clips to ensure they match up perfectly.



6. Make sure the zipper overlay piece is positioned correctly and remove the sewing clips. Unfold the piece again. Topstitch on the lower edge of the zipper overlay. (3 mm, 1/8" seam allowance).



5. When you have correctly identified the middle of the piece, add the zipper overlay, right side up. Match the top edges of the slip pocket piece and zipper overlay. You can use double-sided tape to keep the zipper overlay in place.



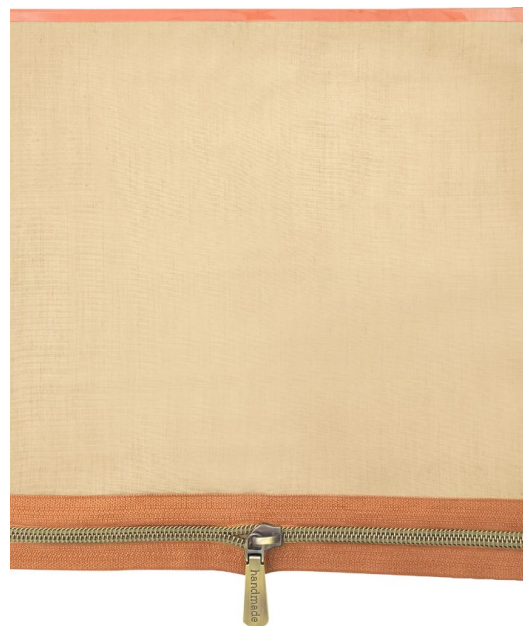
7. Trim the excess fabric behind the zipper opening. You can use a seam ripper or rotary cutter to cut in the middle of the zipper overlay, keeping away from the ends. Then from behind with a sharp pair of scissors, cut the fabric of the opening, with a seam allowance of approximately 6 mm, 1/4" from the inside edge of the opening. It is not important to make it nice, it will be hidden.



8. Add double sided tape to the top and bottom edge of the zip pocket piece, right side up.



9. Remove backing from double sided tape on the bottom of the zip pocket piece and place the zipper right side up. Make sure the zipper is centered and that the zipper pull is positioned to the left.



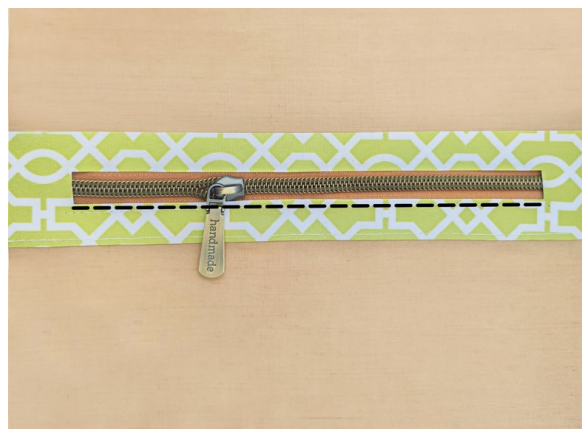
10. Add double sided tape to both long edges of the zipper. The double sided tape should be the same length as your zipper opening. So It shouldn't cover the entire width of the zipper, otherwise it will interfere with the seam later.



11. Remove backing from double sided tape on the zipper and put the lining main panel wrong side down on top of the zipper; make sure the zipper is centered. Don't rush through this step. Take some time to carefully position your zipper so that zipper teeth are positioned right down the center of the zipper opening.



12. Use your zipper foot. Topstitch at 3 mm (1/8") seam allowance away from the lower zipper cut out. Start just past where the zipper ends and stop just past where the zipper closes. Do not backstitch; instead, leave the thread tails from both ends long, pull these top threads to the back, and tie them off.

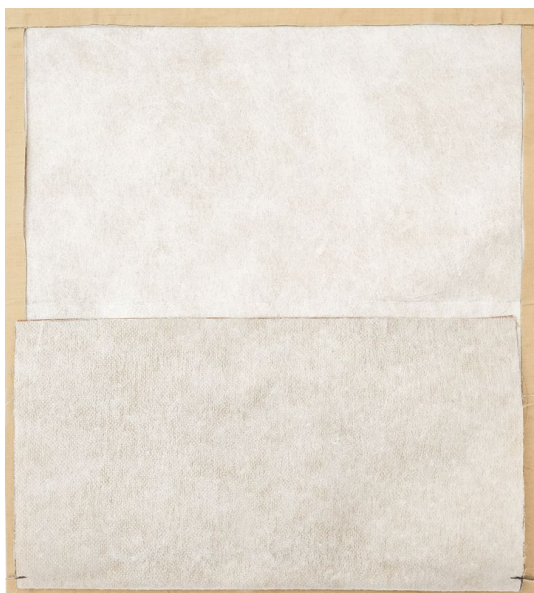


13. In this step check that the zipper pull is inside the zipper opening.

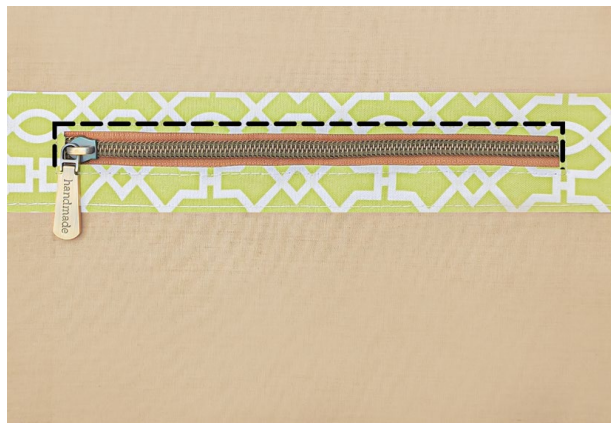
14. Pull down the zip pocket piece and finger press at the fold.



15. Remove backing from double sided tape on the top of the zip pocket piece, fold the piece up and align with the upper edge of the zipper overlay.



16. Turn to the right side. Use your zipper foot and topstitch at 3 mm (1/8") seam allowance around the other three sides. Start at the last stitch and sew up the side, around, and end at the first stitch. Do not backstitch; instead leave the thread tails from both ends long, pull these top threads to the back, and tie them off.



17. Sew on both sides to close the pocket. (6 mm, 1/4" seam allowance). Don't catch in the lining main panel underneath. You will only be sewing around the zip pocket piece.



Your zipper overlay pocket is ready.



- 18.** To make the slip pocket, fold the piece in half again wrong sides together and clip the bottom edges. Topstitch at 3 mm (1/8") seam allowance at the top of the zipper overlay.



- 19.** Take the lining main panel in which you are going to install the pocket, right side up. Add the double pocket, right side up. Place at the distance suggested by each pattern. Hold with pins. Take a moment to make sure it is lined up the way you like. Stitch around the black lines. Do not backstitch; instead leave the thread tails from both ends long, pull these top threads to the back, and tie them off.



- 20.** Apply your hot iron to remove any wrinkles but be careful not to go over the zipper overlay.



21. Finally, you're done! And there you have a lovely double pocket to put your money, phone, keys, and other essentials.



**Congratulations,
your Double Pocket is complete!**