# Medium Fabric Bucket Basket

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This basket can be made up of scraps sewn together, in strips or patchwork of any kind, or just any piece of fabric that will fit the pattern requirements. If you wish, use a coordinated fabric for the lining.

If you would like to create a quilted outlook, it is important to include an extra layer of fusible. This added component will add body and rigidly to the finished project.

The Bucket basket can also be made from denim and duck cloth.

### **Materials**

- <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> yard outer fabric
- <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> year lining fabric
- <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> yard of heavyweight fusible
- Small amount of medium interfacing for the handles

**\*Option:** A pocket can be added to the inside or front of bucket for additional storage.



#### \*A ¾" seam allowance is used on all seams.

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#### Prep Work:

- Print out pattern pieces (at end of document) and tape together to create base of bucket. Adhere fusible to wrong side of main fabric and cut 1 piece for bucket base. (Follow manufactures instructions. I suggest using Pellon TP971F or décor bond) Cut an additional piece for lining.
- 2. Cut 1 rectangle 9" x 35" from the main fabric. This will be the side of bucket. Adhere fusible to wrong side of main fabric.
- 3. Cut another 9" x 35" rectangle from the lining fabric.
- 4. Cut two handles from the main fabric each 3" x 8".



3. If you want a quilted look, machine quilt pieces as desired.

# Scrap Bucket Basket

#### **Bag Instructions:**

- 1. With right sides together, fold rectangle in half to match short sides of rectangle. Join seams together with a straight stitch. Press open.
- 2. Position the seam to one side of the bucket base and pin right sides together. Join seams with straight stitch. Press seam to "lock" stitches. Clip every 3/8" to 1/2" to allow for a smooth curve.



Pin side to the base of bucket following the curve.

3. To join lining leave a opening in the center of side seam.



4. Attach side to bucket base and repeat balance of instructions in step #2.

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#### **Bag Instructions:**

5. Join lining to basket: turn lining right side out and slip inside the bucket. Wrong sides should be kissing. Turn down the top seam about 1/2" for both the main and lining fabric on the insides. Press, then pin in place.

6. Make the handles the same way you would make quilt binding. Add a piece of interfacing to give strength to the handles. Fold the fabric in half, then fold the 2 long ends inward about 1/4" or 3/8" and press. Then stitch 1/8" away from the edge. Place the handle edges on both ends of the oval at the top of the bag and pin in place so they are both even.

7. Stitch close to the top edge. Top stitch again 1/2" from top edge of bucket.

**\*\*TIP:** To add additional stiffness to the bucket base, insert a layer of cardstock between the lining and face of bucket before stitching lining closed.







#### **Overlap Pattern & Tape**

Match double lines at center



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