The Kaffe Fassett Classics Patchy Bag

Skill level: 
Intermediate

Featuring Fabrics by The Kaffe Fassett Collective
Designed by Melissa Peda

The Classics by The Kaffe Fassett Collective are full of color and surprise. This group of designs is the best of the best from Kaffe Fassett, Philip Jacobs, and Brandon Mably. Using some design roll strips of The Kaffe Classics designs, you can create this fun tote bag to carry anywhere.

Size
15” x 6” x 17” (38.1 cm x 15.2 cm x 43.2 cm)

Supplies
13 pcs of 2.5” x 44” (6.35cm x 112cm) strips from The Kaffe Fassett Collective for Rowan:
GP01.BLWH Classics-Roman Glass-Blue
GP71.IRISX Classics-Aboriginal Dot-Iris
PWPJ051.MOSSX Classics-Brassica-Moss
GP59.MAUVE Classics-Guinea Flower-Mauve
PJ41.YELLO Classics-Japanese Chrysanth-Yell
GP92.LILAC Classics-Milleflore-Lilac
GP70.MAGEN Classics-Spot-Magenta
GP93.BLAC Classics-Lake Blossoms-Black
GP91.BROWN Classics-Big Blooms-Brown
GP20.SLUDG Classics-Paperweight-Sludge
GP20.PURPL Classics-Paperweight-Purple
PWGP131.PURPL Classics-Jupiter-Purple
1/3 yd (.3 m) Aboriginal Dot Iris; GP71.IRISX Classics-Aboriginal Dot-Iris by Kaffe Fassett for Rowan
5/8 yd (58 cm) Mad Plaid Pastel; PWBM037.PASTE Classics-Mad Plaid-Paste by Brandon Mably for Rowan
Fuseable Fleece, approximately 22” x41” (55.9cm x 104cm)

Coats® Cotton Thread

Technique: Sewing & Patchwork
Brand: Rowan
Crafting time: Evening

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rowanfabric.com
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Other Supplies:
- Fusible Interfacing, 1 1/4 yds. (1.14 m)
- One decorative button for closure, 1” to 1 1/2” (3.5 cm to 5 cm) or 1” (2.54cm) of sew-on velcro
- Coordinating Coats & Clark Dual Duty XP® all-purpose thread

Cutting
- Patchwork Section
  - Cut eleven 36 1/2” (92.7 cm) strips from the design roll.
- Top Band & Tab Closure
  - Cut two 21” (53.3 cm) strips for top band and two 5” (12.7 cm) strips for tab, both from design roll.
- Handles/Straps
  - GP71.IRISX Cut two 6” x WOF (15.24 cm x WOF) strips.
- Lining
  - PWBM037.PASTE Classics-Mad Plaid-Paste
  - Cut one piece 21” x 40 1/2” (53.3 cm x 102.9 cm).

Instructions
- Note: Seam allowances are 1/4” (.6cm) unless stated otherwise. WOF = Width of Fabric.

Bag Exterior
1. Prepare patchwork section by sewing 11 strips together along their length. Press seams. Trim 3/4” (1.9 cm) from each side for a finished width of 21” (53.3 cm).

2. Right sides together, sew one 21” (53.3 cm) strip to one 21” (53.3 cm) wide edge of patchwork. Sew remaining strip to opposite edge. Press seams. (These bands are the top edges of the bag front and back.)

3. Following manufacturer’s instructions, apply fusible fleece to wrong side of bag exterior.

4. Quilt if desired.

Tab Closure
1. Place 5” (12.7 cm) strips right sides together. Round the corners of one narrow end using a rounded object such as a glass or round tin.

2. Sew tab pieces together leaving the 2 1/2” (6.4 cm) straight edge open for turning.

3. Notch rounded end and turn inside out. Press. Edgestitch around the tab.

4. Sew button hole in rounded end of tab to fit button. (Optional closure: sew hook side of 1” (2.54 cm) velcro to rounded end of tab.)

5. Mark center of one 21” (53.3 cm) edge of bag. Center raw edge of tab over this mark. Right sides together, stitch tab in place using a scant 1/4” (.64 cm) seam allowance. (This is the top edge of bag back.)

Diagram 1: Diagram 2: Diagram 3: Diagram 4: Diagram 5: Diagram 6:
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Handles/Straps
1. Cut two 6” x 44” strips of fusible interfacing. Following manufacturer’s instructions, fuse interfacing to wrong side of each 6” x WOF (15.24 cm x WOF) strip. Fold each 6” x WOF (15.24 cm x WOF) strip in half along the length and gently press a crease. Open the strip and bring each side, wrong sides together, to the center as marked by the crease. Press. Bring folded edges together to make a strip approximately 1 1/2” (.64 cm) wide.

2. Press. Edgestitch along each folded edge. Cut each strip to 32” (81.28 cm) in length.
3. Place outside edge of straps 5 1/2” (14 cm) from side seam. Keep end of strap even with top edge of bag. Be careful not to have any twists in the strap.

4. Stitch in place using a scant 1/4” (.64 cm) seam allowance. Repeat for other side.

Lining
1. Sew lining, right sides together, along each of the sides. Box sides 3” (7.6 cm) from end in the same manner as the bag’s exterior (Bag Step 1 on previous page).

Finishing
1. Place bag inside lining, right sides together. Sew around top edge leaving a gap along back approximately 5” (12.7 cm) for turning. Turn inside out and press, taking care to press the seam allowances of the gap inward. Slipstitch opening closed.
2. Edgestitch along top edge of bag.
3. Topstitch 1/4” (.64 cm) from edgestitching.
4. If using optional velcro closure, sew loop side of velcro to center of front band. Sew button to outside of tab closure to cover stitching. Skip step number 5.
5. Sew button to front of bag at center of top band.