ZIPPY POUCH

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THE CASSETTE TAPE ZIPPY POUCH!

STEP 1: Purchase Lysa Flower's Cassette Tapes pattern. Available on Etsy and Craftsy.

Print and scale two matching pattern pieces from the back pages of the CASSETTE TAPES pattern. For this tutorial I'm using the small pattern pieces from page 16, I scaled my pattern by 110% to fit in the cassette pocket of the Boombox Sewing Machine Cover. *These instructions can be applied to any cassette tape size.

Cut the cassette patterns out.

Print and scale the corresponding CASSETTE TAPE PAPER PIECED BOTTOMS included in this tutorial.

Supplies needed: 1 zipper (at least as long as the top of the cassette you've chosen), thread (I'm using contrasting thread to demonstrate) and a label (*optional). Fabric: Fat quarters or less. Brown for the tape, two colours similar in hue for the cassette outside and a print for the cassette labels. I like (more like LOVE) to include selvages in my labels.



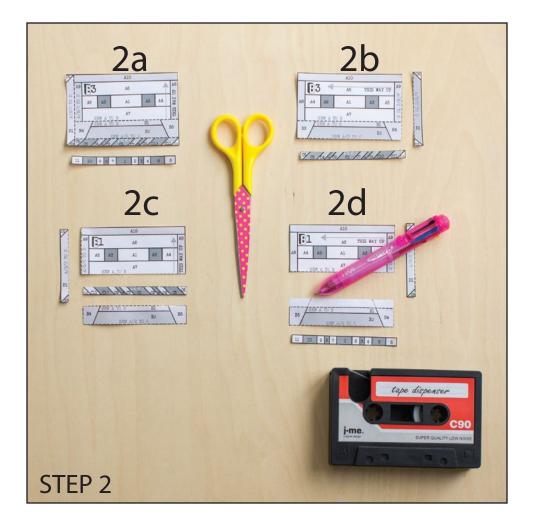


STEP 2a: Note the four different sections A, B, C and D on the Cassette Tape pattern.

2b: Cut off section D from the Cassette pattern piece. Next cut off section C.

2c: Place section C in between section A and B of the Cassette Tape pattern.

2d: Turn over section C and tape to section B, continuing the pattern's lines on the back of section C as shown below.





STEP 3: Paper piece both the cassette tape pattern pieces, leaving 1/4" seam allowance on all sides.

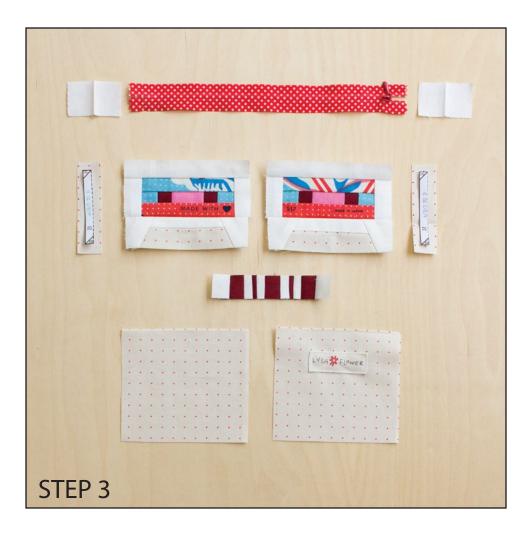
Paper piece the cassette tape BOTTOM, trim to 1" wide and the same length as your pieced cassette.

Cut TWO 1"x 1-1/2" pieces from main cassette fabric for the zipper ends. Press in half.

Cut TWO pieces that are 1" by the height of your pieced cassette from the main fabric (pattern piece D is your template). These will be the sides of your pouch.

For the lining of your pouch, cut TWO pieces that are the height of your pieced cassettes plus 1/2" by the same length as the cassette.

If you have a label, sew it onto one of the lining pieces.





STEP 4: Starting with the bottom of the zipper to create a tab, place one of the folded fabric pieces on top of the zipper (raw sides matching up at the bottom of the zipper).

Unfold the fabric and stitch on the folded line, be careful not to sew over the metal portion. Trim away any excess zipper bits.

Measure the length of the zipper (including the tab) against the length of a sewn cassette tape.

Cut the zipper to the correct length.

Partially unzip the zipper, pin the zipper together, place the second fabric piece on the zipper, unfold and sew on the folded line.





STEP 5: Time to make a zippy pouch sandwich!

Bottom: Lay a lining piece right side up.

Middle: At the top of the lining, lay the zipper right side up.

Top: Lay a cassette tape front, wrong side up, again at the top of the lining.

Thus completing a zippy pouch sandwich!

Sew all three layers together stopping 1/4" from each edge.





STEP 6: Fold the front and lining of the cassette together and press away from the zipper.

STEP 7: Repeat steps 5 and 6 with the remaining cassette and lining pieces.



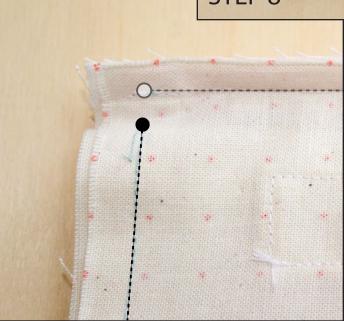






STEP 8: Face the lining pieces together. Tuck the zipper in toward the cassette faces. With a 1/4" seam allowance, sew the sides of the lining together. Sew up from the bottom toward the zipper, stopping 1/4" away.







STEP 9: Open the zipper 3/4" of the way. With a1/4" seam allowance, sew the bottom of the cassette tape on to the bottom side of each cassette front, stopping 1/4" from the edge. This creates a box with open sides.





STEP 10: Using a 1/4" seam allowance, sew one of the side pieces to the top (near the zipper) and the bottom of the cassette tape, starting and stopping 1/4" from the edges. Be careful to move the lining out of the way.

Repeat on the other side.





STEP 11: Again using a1/4" seam allowance; sew the sides starting and stopping 1/4" from the edges. If you're unable to get close to some of the corners, finish them by hand stitching.



STEP 12: Use tweezers to pluck off any leftover paper pattern pieces from the back or hanging threads from the front.

Turn the zippy pouch right side out.

Use a point turner to poke out all the corners.



STEP 13: When the corners are poked out and all the loose threads are removed, turn the raw edges of the lining in a 1/4". Press and topstitch the lining closed.

Push the lining inside of the pouch in and YOU ARE DONE!







And that's it! I'm so proud of you! I'd love to see it! Feel free to post away on Instagram under #lysaflowerpatterns or tag me @lysaflower. See you there!

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