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# REIGN DUFFLE

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# CUTTING INSTRUCTIONS

**PAPER TEMPLATE:** Cut out & tape paper templates for Duffle End.

**CUT EXTERIOR:** Cut the following from Exterior Fabric:

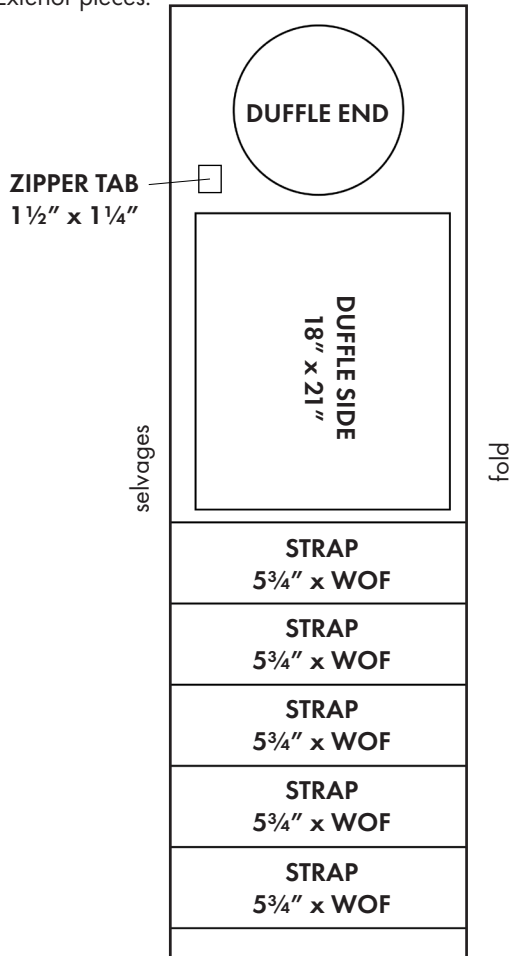
- (2) Duffle End (transfer marks to fabric)
- (2) 18" tall x 21" wide for Duffle Sides
- (5) 5¾" WOF (width of fabric) strips for Straps
- (2) 1½" x 1¼" for zipper tabs

**CUT LINING & INTERFACING:** Cut the following from Lining Fabric and Interfacing:

- (2) Duffle End (transfer marks to fabric)
- (2) 18" tall x 21" wide for Duffle Sides

**LINING ONLY:** Cut (2) 1½" x 1¼" for zipper tabs from Lining only.

Follow cutting layout below for Exterior. For Lining & Interfacing, simply omit WOF strips. Fuse interfacing to wrong sides of corresponding Exterior pieces.

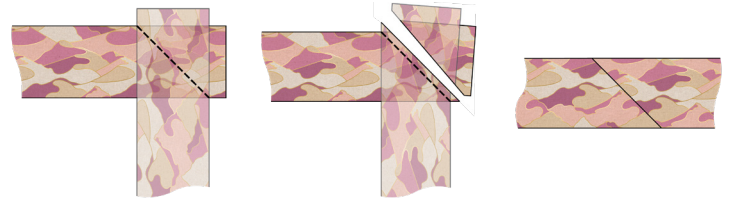


# SEWING INSTRUCTIONS

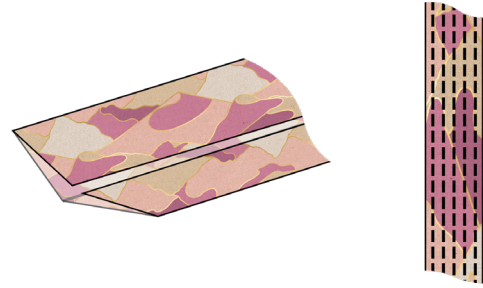
*Note: wavy edges in illustrations indicate that fabric piece(s) shown extend beyond that edge of the illustration.*

## MAKE STRAPS

Trim selvages from all WOF strips. Join all strips together into one long strip by placing ends RST (right sides together) at a 90° angle and stitching diagonally across as shown. Trim SA (seam allowance) to ¼" and press seams open. (See illustration at top of next column)



Fold and press entire strip in half lengthwise with wrong sides together. Open, then fold and press each raw edge in to just meet center crease. Refold entire thing along original fold and press. Topstitch ¼" in from each edge. Topstitch again directly down center (just visually center your presser foot between your first two stitching lines). Topstitch halfway between the center and each outer line. You should have 5 total lines of stitching.

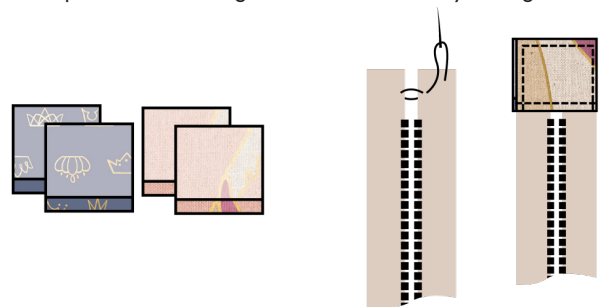


Cut (2) 50" lengths of strap for the Bag Handles and (2) 12" lengths for End Straps. Reserve the rest for the Shoulder Strap.

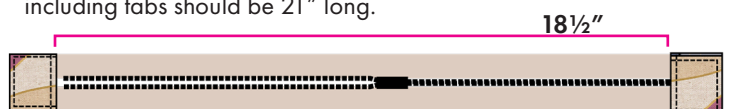
## SEW ZIPPER

On all Exterior & Lining Zipper Tabs, fold and press one 1½" edge ¼" to wrong side.

At top zipper stop, hand tack the sides of the zipper tape together with a needle and thread and a few long stitches between the zipper tape sides. Unzip the zipper so the pull is out of the way. Place exterior zipper tab with wrong side against front of zipper and pressed edge just above top of zipper stop. Place lining zipper tab in the same position on the bottom, with wrong side against back of zipper. Pin everything securely. You can also try a water soluble glue stick or clips. Topstitch along the pressed edge of the tab through all layers, catching the lining tab on the back. Then stitch around the three edges of the tabs just inside the edge to secure all the layers together.



Measure and mark zipper tape 18½" from pressed edge of tab. With zipper zipped halfway, repeat zipper tab process, aligning pressed edges of tabs with mark. Be very careful when sewing over zipper teeth; if they are metal, slowly hand crank the wheel over them, repositioning as necessary to find the gaps. Trim excess zipper flush to tabs if necessary (not with your fabric scissors). Entire zipper including tabs should be 21" long.



## ATTACH STRAPS

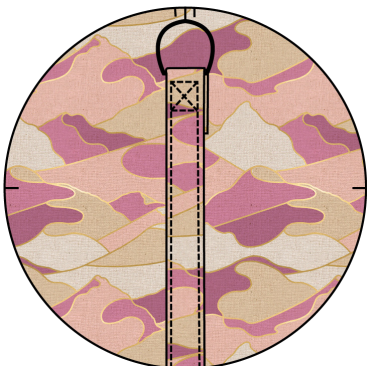
On one Exterior Duffle side, mark a vertical line  $5\frac{1}{4}$ " in from each side edge, that ends  $4\frac{1}{2}$ " below top edge.

Pin ends of one 50" Handle to Exterior Duffle, aligning outside edges of handle with line, and aligning raw edges of handle with raw bottom edge of side. Ensure strap is not twisted. Topstitch each strap end to bag, stitching  $\frac{1}{4}$ " from edge up from bottom edge to top mark, sewing across strap, and down other side to bottom. Stitch additional square and X shape at top on top of previous stitching for reinforcement. Leave handle free above line. Repeat with other handle and exterior side.



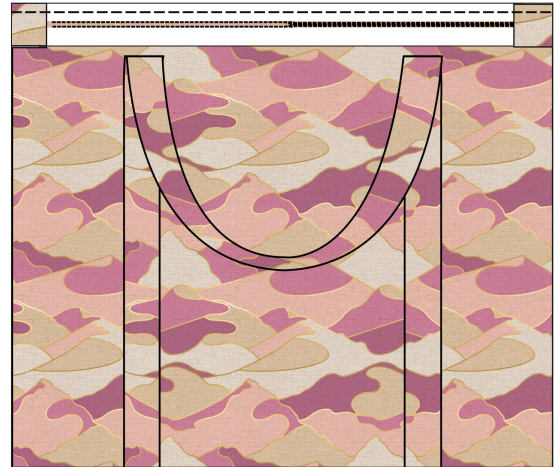
Thread one End Strap through a D ring. Fold the top over 2" and stitch across top of strap between outermost topstitching lines, as close as you can get to the D ring.

Fold one Duffle End in half vertically at top and bottom marks and finger press to crease center. Place strap against right side of duffle end, with D ring at top and folded end of strap underneath, aligning centers and bottom edges. Topstitch strap to end, stitching  $\frac{1}{4}$ " from edge up from bottom edge to previous stitching line, sewing across strap, and down other side to bottom. Stitch additional square and X shape at top on top of previous stitching for reinforcement. Repeat with other End Strap and Duffle End.

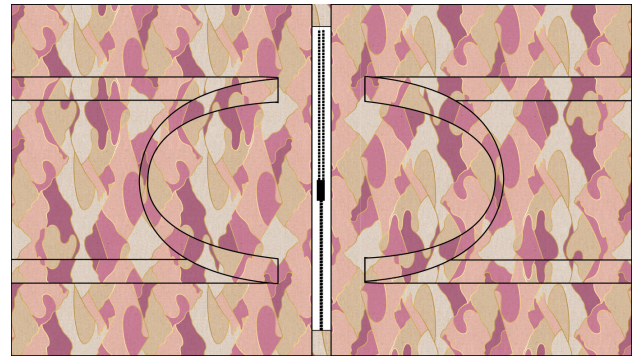


## ASSEMBLE EXTERIOR

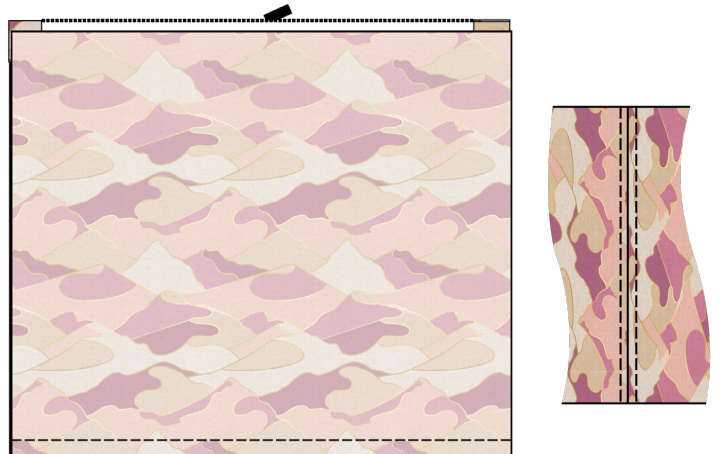
Place zipper RST against top edge of one Exterior Side & pin, keeping handle out of the way. Stitch zipper to fabric with your zipper foot and  $\frac{1}{4}$ " SA. Tip: start sewing with zipper halfway open. When you get close to zipper pull, stop, lower your needle, raise your presser foot, and zip the pull past the foot (you might have to rotate the fabric a little, the needle will hold in place). Lower your foot and keep sewing.



Repeat with other edge of zipper and other Exterior Side. Press both seams away from zipper, but do not topstitch yet.



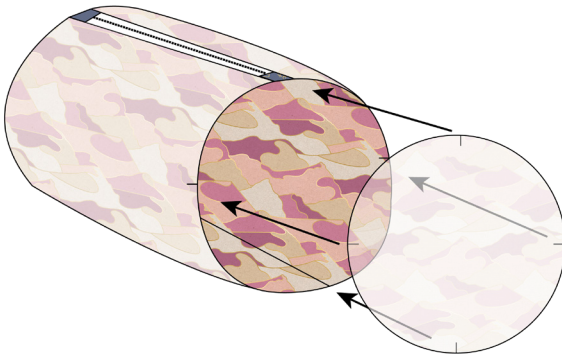
Place bottom edges of Exterior Sides RST and stitch with  $\frac{1}{2}$ " SA. Press open. On right side, topstitch  $\frac{1}{8}$ " to either side of seam.



On side raw edge, bring center of zipper down to meet bottom seam. Flatten fabric and mark where it folds (you are marking the center point between the top and bottom on each side). Repeat for other side raw edge.

Place one Duffle End RST with raw side edge. Align and pin marks on end to center zipper, bottom seam, and the two marks you just made. Ease and pin rest of edge together. Sew with  $\frac{1}{2}$ " SA. Repeat with other end and side.

*Note: for simplicity, handles and straps not shown in remaining illustrations*

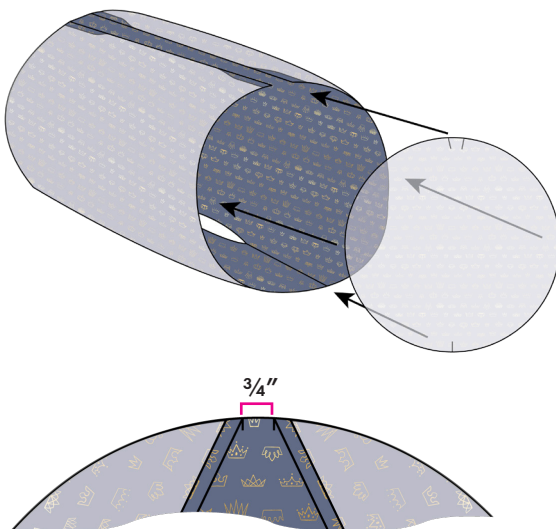


### ASSEMBLE LINING

Place Lining Sides RST and stitch together with  $\frac{1}{2}$ " SA along bottom edge, leaving an 8" opening in center. Press seam open.

On top edges, at each end, fold and press fabric  $\frac{1}{4}$ " towards wrong side for about 3".

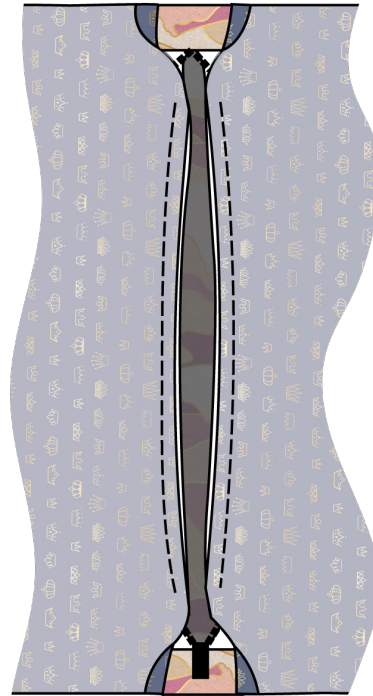
Place one Lining End circle RST with one raw edge of Lining Sides. Align and pin bottom mark of end with bottom seam of lining. Align each pressed edge of top side with marks at top of end, keeping pressed edge folded. There should be a  $\frac{3}{4}$ " gap between top pressed edges of sides (this will match where the zipper goes on the exterior). Ease and pin the rest of edge. Stitch together with  $\frac{1}{2}$ " SA. Repeat with other end and side edge.



### ASSEMBLE DUFFLE

Turn exterior right side out (if needed) and lining wrong side out (if needed). Put exterior **inside** lining so they are RST. Unzip zipper all the way and fold zipper back against exterior so that raw edge of seam is exposed. Align this raw edge with raw edge of top lining opening; zipper will be sandwiched in between exterior and lining. Pin entire edge, unfolding pressed lining as needed. Stitch edge at  $\frac{1}{4}$ " SA with zipper foot. You won't be able to sew all the way up into the ends, so just sew as much as you can. Repeat with other side of zipper/lining.

*overhead view looking down at zipper seams*



Pull exterior through hole in bottom of lining and turn lining right side out. Turn seam allowance of bottom lining opening to inside and pin. Edge stitch along opening to close.

Stuff lining down inside exterior. Press zipper edge. At each end of zipper, where lining edge is not sewn, pin pressed lining edge so that it just covers the stitching line attaching zipper/exterior. From outside, topstitch  $\frac{1}{8}$ " on each side of zipper, catching loose ends of lining on bottom. Ensure that lining doesn't accidentally get a fold caught in seam.

Turn bag lining side out. Hand stitch any remaining loose edges of lining in place.



## MAKE SHOULDER STRAP

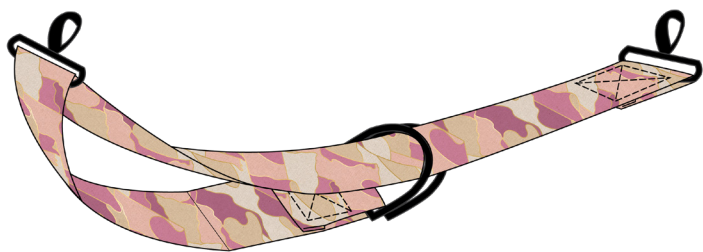
Thread one end of remaining Strap through **both** remaining D rings. Fold end over 3", then fold raw edge under 1/2". Pin and stitch a square and an X on overlap to secure.



Thread raw end of strap through one swivel snap. Fold it back so that it covers the folded side of the strap at the D rings. Thread end through both D rings, then back between the D rings.

Thread raw end through remaining swivel snap. Fold end over 3", then fold raw edge under 1/2". Pin and stitch a square and an X on overlap to secure.

Note: illustration below not drawn to scale.



Clip the shoulder strap to the D rings on the duffel. Your bag is finished!!

**YOU DID IT! YOU MADE A REIGN DUFFLE!!**

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# REIGN DUFFLE

We thought Rashida Coleman-Hale's canvas print from her Reign collection was the perfect fabric for a not-quite-camo duffle bag.

Fabrics are from Reign by Rashida Coleman-Hale for Ruby Star Society.



## FABRIC REQUIREMENTS

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**EXTERIOR:** 1<sup>7</sup>/<sub>8</sub> yd canvas (shown: RS1032-12LM)

**LINING:** 1yd quilting cotton (shown: RS1030-16M)

**FUSIBLE WOVEN INTERFACING:** 2 yds 20" wide

**NOTIONS/TOOLS:** (4) 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" D rings; (2) 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" swivel snaps (1) zipper, 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" wide and at least 20" long ; water soluble marking tool; thread

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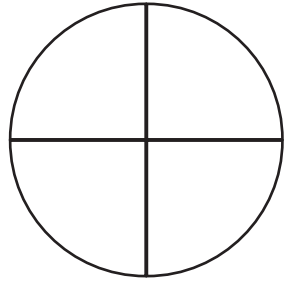
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