

# How to make a Boomerang Bag

With stitched handles & embroidered logo



Embroidery file and pattern modifications by Echidna Sewing.



## Embroider the pocket

Use a 5x7 embroidery hoop + red and white thread. We suggest Hemingworth thread in Christmas Red, Candy Apple or Pomegranate for the red.



OR

## Leave the pocket blank

Boomerang Bags will stamp the logo on after they receive your bag.



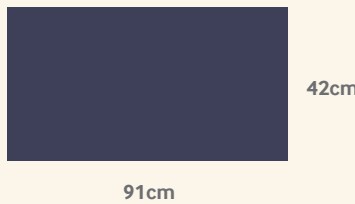
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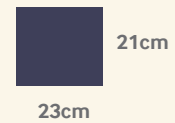
## Cut handle strips x 3



## Cut bag

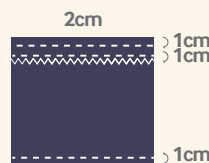


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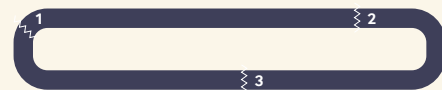


## Fold, iron & stitch pocket

Fold in top and bottom edges of pocket 1cm. Press. Turn and fold top edge again 1cm. Straight stitch across top edge.



## Join handle strips in a loop



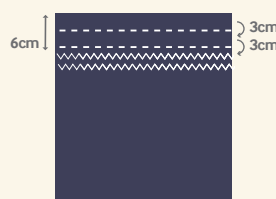
## Iron handle

Iron handle in half along its length. Press in edges.



## Fold in bag top edges & stitch

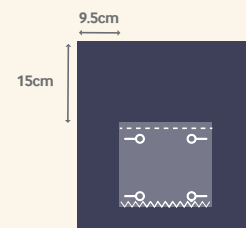
Fold in top edge of bag 3cm and press. Then fold again 3cm. Straight stitch top and bottom edge of fold. Do this on both ends of bag.



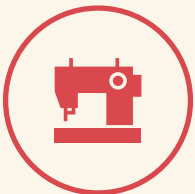
## Stitch pocket to bag

Pin the pocket to the front side of the bag. Straight stitch across the bottom edge.

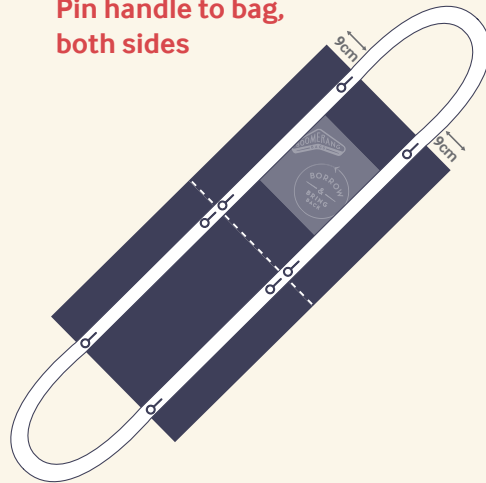
Only do this if you have embroidered the logo. Otherwise leave pocket unattached.



This is one way to make a Boomerang Bag. Please adjust to fit your community sewing project.



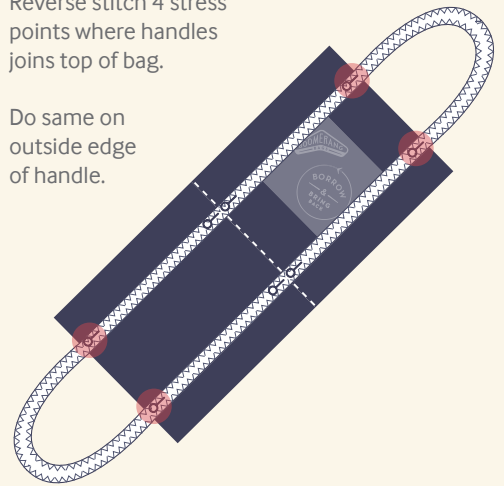
### Pin handle to bag, both sides



### Sew on handle

Stitch inside edge of handle in a continuous loop. Reverse stitch 4 stress points where handles joins top of bag.

Do same on outside edge of handle.



### French seam, step 1 Join outside edges

With the wrong sides of the fabric together, pin and straight stitch side seams with a 1cm seam allowance. Then trim back half (0.5cm) of the seam allowance.



Right side facing out

### French seam, step 2 Join inside edges

Turn bag inside out. Press side seams flat. Pin and straight stitch side seams again, with a 1cm seam allowance. This will encase the side seams sewed in step 1.



Wrong side facing out

### Box the bottom corners

Fold corners of bag bottom into a triangle, aligning side seams with bottom fold of bag. Measure 4cm in from tip of triangle and straight stitch across.



Base of bag, inside out

### HELPFUL TIP

A loop (using scrap or used binding) is useful to sew on so bags can be held open when used at the checkout.



**Quality Control** — Check the Boomerang Bag is sewn correctly, tidy up the threads and it's good to go!