

The artist case



What you need for a sketch pad 21/29,5 cm:

- 5 or 6 fabric rolls with matching colors and designs, for the inside and the outside of the case
- 2 pieces of double-fold bias binding 2cm wide and 2 pieces of leather 2/32cm
- 1 piece of melton wool 35/52 cm
- 2 kam snaps or lovely buttons

Time needed: 2h30

Cost: 10 Euros



Getting ready:

Once you have chosen the fabric :

- Cut a 35/52cm rectangle out of the fabric you have selected for the outside of the case (if this is patterned fabric, cut two 35/26,5cm pieces so as to make the patterns match)
Cut another 35/52cm in the melton wool
- Cut two 26,5/35cm rectangles out of matching fabrics for the inside of the case
- Cut one 26,5/30cm rectangle for the sketch pad pocket
- Cut one 24/30cm rectangle for the pen pocket + one 20/24cm rectangle for the knickknack pocket and one 20/14cm rectangle for the flap..

Assembling:

The outside of the case

- Stitch the piece of melton wool on the wrong side of the fabric you have chosen for the outside of the case with a 2mm seam allowance



- With right sides together, stitch the leather and the bias with a 2mm seam allowance to form the handles of the case and stitch this handles (8cm from the 2 edges) on the right side of the outside fabric of the case (go over the seam several times for a better holding)



The inside of the case

- Get the pockets ready first : Hem the shortest edge (26,5cm) of the piece of fabric design for the sketch pad pocket



- Fold the rectangle designed for the pen pocket and stitch the edges right sides together, leaving a small opening. Turn the right side out and topstitch the top part of the rectangle you get with 2mm seam allowance.
- Repeat the same process for the knickknack pocket
- Fold the rectangle you have cut for the lap of the knickknack pocket and make the angles on edge round, then stitch all around with right sides together and leave a small opening. Turn the right side out and topstitch the rounded edge with 2mm seam allowance.



Now...

- Line the sketch pad pocket up with the piece of fabric that will form the right part of your case and stitch the edges with a 2mm seam allowance to make sure the pocket stays well in place during assembling
- Stitch the two pieces that form the inside of the case together with a seam along the longest edge, right sides together. You get a 35/52cm rectangle



- Place the pen pocket at the bottom of the left part, 2cm away from the edge and stitch the three edges. Then form the pen spaces with vertical seams every 2cm



- Place the knickknack pocket at the top of the left part, stitch the three edges, put the flap above and stitch it
- Place the kam snaps



- Now assemble the inside and the outside of the case with right sides together and stitch all around. Leave a 5cm opening, turn the right side of the case out, iron it and close the opening with few invisible hand stitches

And that's it!





Tips : You can add a closing system (snaps, binding...) to your case. You can also adjust it to the size of your sketch pad, you will just have to multiply the size of the pad by two and add a 1,5cm seam allowance all around the fabric pieces.



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