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B A K E S H O P

Original Recipe



Grocery Bag Dispenser by Rachel Griffith

Ingredients:

- 1 sweet charm pack
- two 19" x 3 1/2" strips white bella solids
- 20" x 20" piece white bella solids
- 20" x 20" piece warm & natural batting
- 30" of 1/2" wide elastic

Garnishes (optional):

- ribbon &/or rick rack

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Instructions:



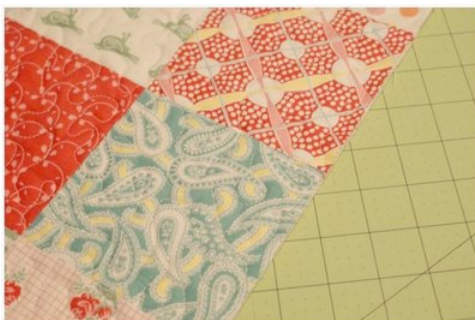
lay out 16 of your favorite charms from your charm pack in a 4x4 layout.



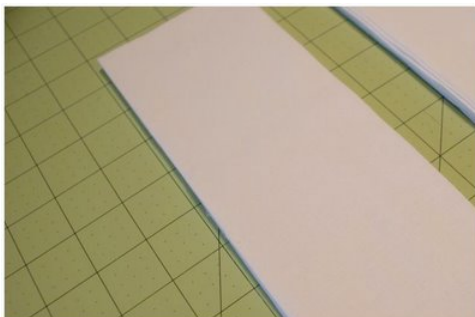
sew the 1st row. pressing seam to the right.
sew the 2nd row. pressing seam to the left.
sew the 3rd row. pressing seam to the right again.
and then sew the 4th row. pressing seam to the left again.
{this will ensure perfect seams.}



join row 1 & row 2. press.
add row 3. press.
add row 4. press.



layer with the 20" x 20" piece of bella solids & 20" x 20" batting.
baste.
and quilt as desired. {I went with good ol' stipple quilting.}
then trim off your edges just like you would if you were about to complete a quilt.



take your two 19" x 3 1/2" strips of white bella solids and fold them in half like you would binding. press.

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with the opening facing outwards on, just like binding, sew your strip on.



you'll want to do this to the top and the bottom of your little quilt. yours should look just like mine.



cut 12" from your elastic and place a safety pin at one end, like so.



feed the safety pin end of your elastic through the strip on the TOP of your quilt.



once you pull the pin through to the other side, you'll need to remove the pin and secure the loose end of your elastic by sewing over it.

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trim it nice & neat once it's secure.



here's what your top will look like once it's done.
now cut 10" from your elastic and do this process again for the bottom.



after you've sewn your elastic into place, you're gonna have a funky looking quilt like this.



take the remaining 8" of elastic and fold it in half.
this will be for you to hang your dispenser by.

{you can use ribbon, rick rack or even fabric here instead of elastic.}



take your little quilt, right sides together and start to sew down the long, open side.
the ends of your elastic are gonna be a little finicky, but you can do it!!! promise.

before you go too far, take that folded elastic from the previous step and slide it in place with the opening facing outwards near the top of your quilt.
{I placed mine about 1/2" from the bottom of the white fabric.}

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after you have sewn down the side, this is what your little quilt will look like now.



now flip that bad boy right side out ...

Yield:



and you are done.
{unless you want to wash it & dry it for that straight from the dryer crinkly goodness like i did.}

now all you have to do is add your grocery bags and enjoy!!!

did i mention it takes less than an hour to whip up one of these???

so go whip up a few for you, your mom, your sister & your neighbor...they're all gonna want one once they see yours!!!

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