

What you will need:

2 pieces of fabric cut 24" tall x 20" wide

2 pieces of fabric cut 2" x 8"

1 pocket 16" x 9" folded to make a 8" x 9" pocket

2 x 90" of paracord or nylon rope (can substitute Grosgrain ribbon 1/2" or 1" folded and sewn)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GlfEFa7NBfo> is a great tutorial

1. Cut your fabric, or grab a precut package. To make the pocket, take the 16"x9" piece of fabric and fold in half, right sides together. Sew around the edges, leaving a 2" gap. Turn right side out through the 2" gap and iron flat. Place 2/3 of the way down onto the front of the bag and sew in place, making sure that your bag is orientated correctly (the longer dimension being the height).



2. Now you are making the loops. Grab the 2 pieces of 2"x8" fabric and iron in half, right sides out, creating a 1"x8" strip. Then, open it up again and fold outer edges inside to meet up along the ironed crease. When you fold in half again, you will end up with a 1/2"x8" strip. Sew along the open edge to close. Cut only one of these strips in half. The longer strip will be used for the hanging loop; the two smaller strips are used for the loops at the bottom of the bag.



3. Place both 24 x 20 fabric pieces right sides together and pin. To make the rope channel, make two markings at the top of the bag along the seams at 2" and 3" from the top. This will make a 1" space (fig. A) for the rope to feed through.

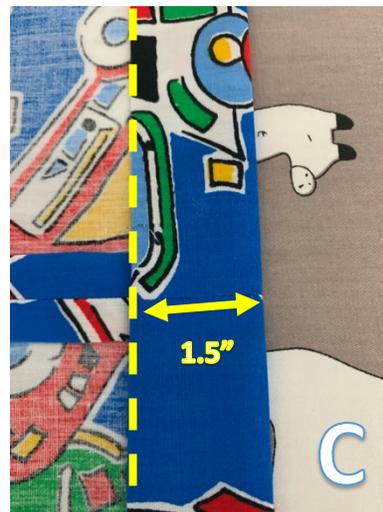
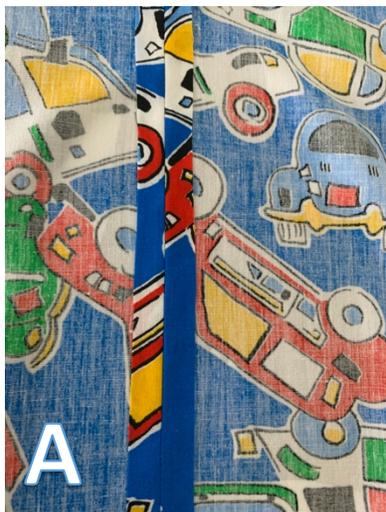
Take the 4" long strips from step 2 and fold in half, creating your loops for the bottom of the bag (fig. B).

Sandwich these between the two layers of fabric, 1" up from the bottom of the bag (fig. C).

Now, sew around 3 sides of the bag, making sure to leave the top open. Do not sew within the 1" gaps made earlier in this step and make sure to backstitch/lock the stitches surrounding.



4. To finish the top of the bag, find the 1" gaps that you left. Press open these seams (fig. A). Fold over $\frac{1}{4}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$ " of the raw edge along the top of the bag and iron (fig. B). Fold over again to enclose the 1" seam opening and sew along the dotted line (fig. C) to enclose. When flipped over, you can now see where to feed the rope through on either side at the top of the bag (fig. D).



5. Grab the 8"x1/2" strip. Fold to create a loop. Measure the width of the bag to find the halfway point and pin the loop to the back side (fig. A). Sew loop to bag along the seam you have already created- make sure not to sew across the channel. This will prevent your rope from feeding through. Add extra strength by also a few stitches along the top edge. See dotted lines (fig. B).



6. Now you will thread your rope through the loops. Attach a safety pin to the end of the rope and use this to help guide through the top. Grab the first rope and insert into the right 1" seam break. Feed all the way around and pull out of the same seam break- creating a loop (fig. A, green). Make sure that the ends of the rope are even. Bring the ends of the rope to the bottom right loop. Thread through and tie a knot (fig. B). Grab other rope and repeat with the left side (fig. A, yellow). Once both ropes are threaded, you can see both ropes through the seam gaps (fig. C).

