

Monica Poole's Handbag Secrets DVD

Material Requirements for the *Café Latte* bag by Monica Poole

- Good quality 100% cotton fabric of your choice comprising :
 - 75cm of the main fabric (as the pattern is cut in one piece, a directional print is not recommended as the printed design will end up being upside down on the back of the bag - choose an all overprint instead.)
 - 70cm of lining fabric
 - 50cm of the trim fabric
- 50cm of Fast to Fuse (available through Ascot Lane Distributors. For stockists, call 1300 764 007)
- 2 metres of braid or ricrac (the braid must be fairly flat because if it's too thick it will be too bulky to sew)
- 20cm zip
- 20cm of fusible web such as Vliesofix
- 14mm magnetic clip
- Large rectangular Moon Shine bag base (email monica@moonshine-designs.com for more about her bag bases)
- Rotary cutter, ruler and board
- Appliqué mat
- Fabric scissors
- Paper scissors
- Sharp pointed scissors
- Template plastic
- Tracing paper
- 2B lead pencil (or a white dressmakers pencil if using a dark fabric)
- Iron and board
- Tape measure and pins
- Chopstick and a turning tool
- Sewing machine (Monica used a Bernina Aurora)
- Size 80 sewing machine needles
- All-purpose sewing threads to match the fabric
- Tassel embellishment
- The pattern sheet, which can be found in the current issue of Homespun magazine, Volume 8 Number 6. This contains the following pattern pieces:
 - The main bag
 - The flap
 - The flap piece less the seam allowance for the Fast-to-Fuse
 - The corner patches

Note: The straps, pockets and ties do not require pattern pieces, as they're cut by measuring and using your rotary cutter.