



The Clear View Pouch.

Combining clear vinyl and fabric, the clear view pouch is both stylish and functional while being a fast sewing project. These fun zipper pouches are perfect for storing sewing supplies, stationery, and so much more. Make one for yourself or as a gift; you won't want to stop at one!

Pattern Level: Advanced Beginner

Finished Size: 8" (20 cm) Wide x 8.5" (22cm) High

Seam Allowance: ¼" (0.6 cm) unless otherwise stated. Seam allowance included in the pattern pieces

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About The Designer:

Little Moo Designs patterns aim to teach skills which can be readily interchanged between your sewing projects, making them valuable learning tools in your own creative journey.

Etched with a bohemian vibe, Little Moo Designs patterns are created for levels from beginner to intermediate. With a love of textile blends, they gear towards mixing leather and cork fabrics with woven fabrics.

Based in South East Queensland, Kylie is a self-taught sewing artisan with a passion for sharing her love of sewing with others.



Little Moo patterns are for those who believe a new outfit is an excuse for a new handbag, and what better way to personalise your outfit than sewing your own unique bag or clutch.

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Requirements List:

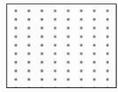
- ✂ **Clear Vinyl:** 12 gauge (medium weight) 9" (23cm) Wide x 18" (46cm) High.
This can be found at your local hardware store. You can substitute vinyl for mesh.
- ✂ **Fabric:** 10" (25 cm) Wide x 15" (40cm) High
- ✂ **Light/Mid Weight iron on interfacing:** 10" (25 cm) Wide x 6" (15 cm) High
- ✂ **Zipper:** #5 nylon zipper 18" (50 cm) length.
I do not suggest using zippers with metal or plastic teeth. I purchase my continuous zippers from www.whosayssew.com
- ✂ Teflon or Walking Foot
- ✂ Double sided tape (DST)
- ✂ Fray Stop (or similar product)
- ✂ Sewing Machine
- ✂ Thread
- ✂ Scissors
- ✂ Ruler
- ✂ Rotary Cutter (Optional)
- ✂ Hair dyer

<u>Cutting Chart:</u>	Number to cut	Measurements Imperial	Measurements Metric
Clear Vinyl	1	10" Wide x 15" High	25 cm Wide x 38 cm High
Fabric	4 (2 x exterior and 2 x lining)	3" Wide x 10" High	7.5 cm Wide x 25 cm High
Light/Mid Weight Iron On Interfacing	2	3" Wide x 10" High	7.5 cm Wide x 25 cm High
Zipper	1	18" Length	45 cm Length

Tips on working with vinyl:

- ✂ Do not pin vinyl as it leaves marks, instead use wonderclips or pegs.
- ✂ If you find the vinyl sticking to the sewing machine foot, use a Teflon or walking foot instead. You can also put a piece of paper under the vinyl to prevent sticking to your sewing machine.
- ✂ If you do not have a Teflon or walking foot, you can use washi tape or masking tape on the bottom of your universal foot to make it non-slip.
- ✂ I use a universal needle or microtex needle when sewing with vinyl.
- ✂ You may need to soften the vinyl to turn it right side out. One way is to warm the vinyl using a hairdryer on a low setting, but make sure you don't heat it too much or it will melt! (Ask me how I know 😊)
- ✂ Don't be afraid of trying to sew with vinyl, the clear view pouch is the perfect project to try sewing vinyl. It may take a little bit of practice, but you will be able to get there.

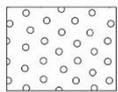
Legend



Fabric



Wrong Side Fabric
with Interfacing



Clear Plastic
or Mesh

1. Cut all fabrics as per the cutting chart and fuse interfacing to the exterior pieces.
2. On the wrong side of the fabric pieces, fold each long edge over $\frac{1}{2}$ " (1.3 cm) and iron towards the centre. You may find drawing a $\frac{1}{2}$ " (1.3 cm) line helpful to get an accurate fold.

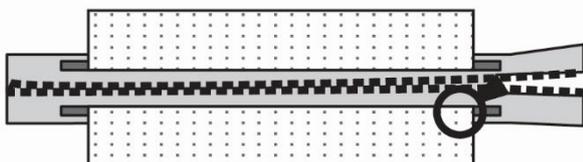


3. Take a strip of double sided tape (DST) and run it down the long side of one of the folds, close to the outside edge. (The DST I use is $\frac{1}{4}$ " (0.6 cm) wide, you don't want it much wider or it can gum up your needle.)

Peel the DST paper away and lay the zipper tape along this sticky edge with a $\frac{1}{8}$ " (0.3 cm) gap between the zipper teeth and the fabric. Be careful to place the zipper straight for a neat finish and to allow for easy opening.

Repeat this for the lining side of the fabric on the back of the zipper tape.

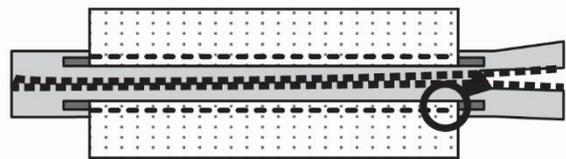
Repeat this complete step for the other side of the zipper.



Hot Tip: I use #5 zippers (rather than #3 / dress zippers) as the zipper tape and teeth are wider, making them easy to open and close for bag making projects.

You will notice that your zipper is longer than the fabric you have cut, this makes the final steps of this project much easier, **DO NOT** cut the zipper to size just yet!

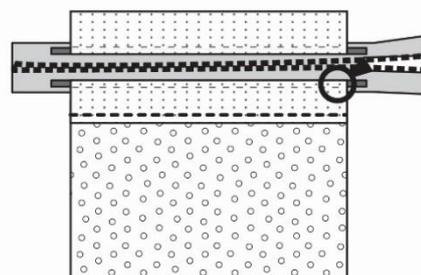
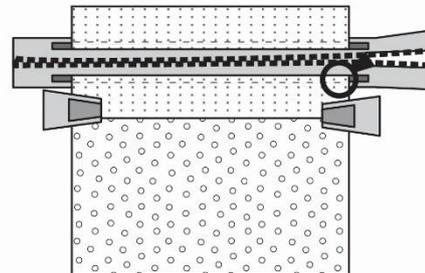
Using a $\frac{1}{4}$ " (0.6 cm) seam allowance, top stitch along the edge of the fabric closest to the zipper as shown. For a decorative finish, you might like to use twin needle stitching; you could even use two different thread colours to add interest.



4. Lift open one of the pieces of fabric and lay a piece of DST along one of the wrong sides of the folded fabric edges, peel the paper backing off the tape.

Sandwich the vinyl between the two layers of fabric, $\frac{1}{2}$ " (1.3 cm) inside the layers.

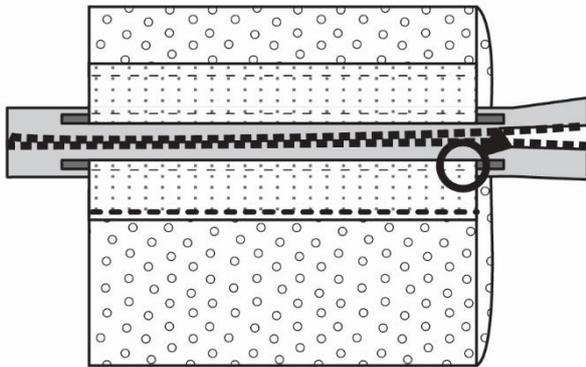
Top stitch along the fabric edge using a $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance.



Hot Tip: If you find the vinyl is sticking to your foot, you may need to use a Teflon or walking foot for this step, if you don't have these feet, you can add washi tape or masking tape to the bottom of your universal foot and it becomes non-slip.

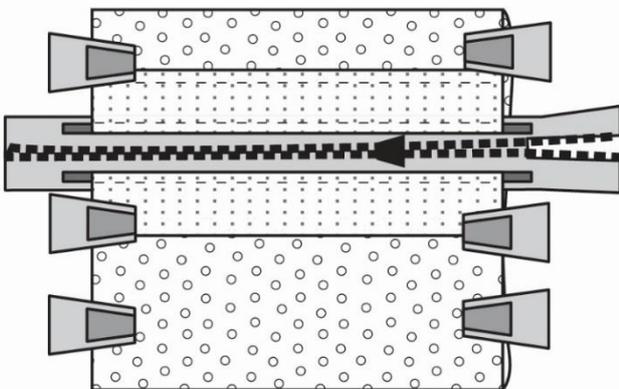
5. Repeat step 4 for the other side of the pouch, sewing the other end of the vinyl piece into place with the fabric. You are creating a loop with your vinyl.

This is where having the longer zip is important as it is tricky to top stitch if you can't open the zip right up.



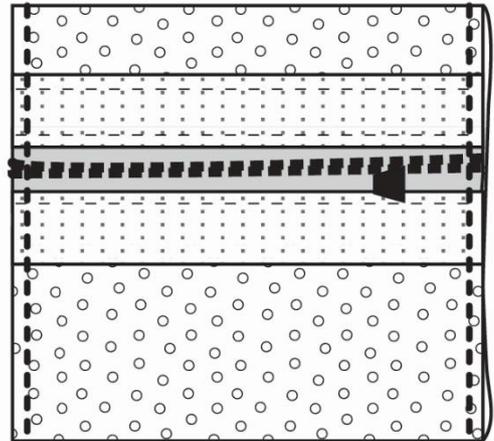
6. Turn the pouch wrong side out.

Arrange the vinyl so it extends 1.5" above the top fabric edge. Clip in position using wonderclips or pegs.



Reminder: Be sure that your zipper is open before the next step!

Using your Teflon or walking foot, stitch down each edge of the pouch using a 1/2" (1.3 cm) seam allowance. Stitch over the zipper a few times to secure.



7. Trim off excess vinyl, zipper, and fabric, about 1/4" (0.6 cm) from the stitching. I like to use a ruler and a rotary cutter for a clean finish. I leave my edges raw, but you can cover them with bias tape if you prefer.

Use fray stop or similar product and put this on the zipper edges and fabric to prevent fraying.

8. Now you need to turn your pouch the right way out through the zipper.

Hot Tip: If you force vinyl it can crack or rip, gently heat with a hairdryer (be careful NOT to melt the vinyl!!) Use a chopstick to poke the corner out.

Fill your pouch with goodies and zip up and you are all finished! Congratulations on creating your Little Moo Designs, Clear View Pouch!

Don't forget to tag me on Instagram @littlemoodesigns I would love to see your creations.

Happy Sewing, Kylie.

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