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### Basic Supplies

Sewing/Embroidery Machine with minimum hoop size of 140mm x 225mm

Software and Transfer device to load designs

Rotary Cutter, Mat, Ruler

Scissors

Shears

Thread snips

Iron and ironing surface

Press Cloth

General Sewing Supplies

Microtex size 80 or 90 needle or your favorite needle for embroidery

Machine Feet (These are recommended but not required)

Quarter Inch Foot

Stabilizers:

Tear Away

Embroidery Thread

Scroll part of the design

Design Border

Words

Construction Thread

Bobbins (wound with light weight bobbin thread, I use pre-wounds) and construction thread

Embroidery Design

Bag Fabric (Size determined by your bottle but a fat quarter should work)

Fusible batting same amount as fabric

Organza for "fringe" at top (2 pieces 10" by width of fabric that goes around bottle)

Narrow ribbon (about 1/4" wide) about 18" (again this will be determined by the bottle you are using).





# Happy New Year Bottle Bag Instructions

## How to determine the size to cut your fabric

### A. Bottom Circle for the bag:

Trace around the bottom of the bottle

Add 1/4" seam allowance all the way around (this actually adds 1/2" to the diameter of the circle)

Add another 1/4" all the way around the circle for "ease" (this adds another 1/2" to the diameter)

You should now have a circle that is 1" larger than the original circle you traced from the bottle

Cut this out and use it for your pattern piece.

Note: The bottom circle of the bag will be cut from a layer of fabric with fusible batting on the back. Measure the circle at its widest point (the diameter) and jot it down here:

Circle Diameter \_\_\_\_\_

(My circle had a diameter of 4 5/8")

### B. Width of cylinder part of the bag:

To determine the width of the fabric for your bag:

Take the circle measurement you wrote down above and multiply it by 3.14 (pi)

Write that number on the line below

Width of cut fabric: \_\_\_\_\_

You might need to convert your fraction to a decimal to calculate this. (4 5/8"=4.64")

(4.62 x 3.14 = 14.52) (I rounded that down to 14.50" for the width of my fabric)

### C. Height of of cylinder part of the bag:

To determine how tall your fabric needs to be

Measure the height of the bottle.

Add 1/4" for the seam allowance

Add 1/4" for a fold down at the top to create a neat finished edge

Add 1/2" for ease.

You should now have the height of the bottle plus 1"

Write this number down here

Height of cut fabric: \_\_\_\_\_

(My fabric was cut 13" tall)

The measurements for my project were:

4 5/8" circle

14.5 (w) x 13" (h) bottle fabric

14.5" (w) x 10" (h) fringe fabric

Ribbon 1/4" X 18"



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## Cutting your fabric and constructing your bag

### Bottom Circle for the bag:

You will be using the pattern piece created in step A on the previous page for this.

Fuse a piece of batting to the back of your fabric (the size of this fabric needs to be about 1" larger than the circle created in step A)

On the fabric fused with batting, trace around pattern piece you created in step A

Cut out the circle you just traced.

### Cylinder part of the bag:

Cut a piece of fabric and batting the size determined in steps B and C

B = Width

C = Width

NOTE: The batting and fabric should NOT be fused together at this point

Trim 1/4" off the height of the batting.

Fuse the batting to the fabric so there is 1/4" of fabric without batting at the top of the bag.

Press the 1/4" fabric that does not have batting to the wrong side to create a nice finished top edge



### Fringe for top of bag:

Two pieces, the width determined in step B by 10"

Layer these wrong sides together and press so they are the width of the bag by 5" wide

### Ribbon:

Cut ribbon about 3-4" wider than width of the bottle bag

### Embroidery

Mark placement lines for the center of your embroidery

Measure up 4 1/2" from the bottom of the bag and draw a horizontal line

Find the center of the bag from side to side and draw a vertical line.

The intersection of this line is the center of your embroidery.

Embroider using tear away stabilizer.

Note: I like to use the "basting" (sometimes called "fix" or "frame" feature and tear away stabilizer)

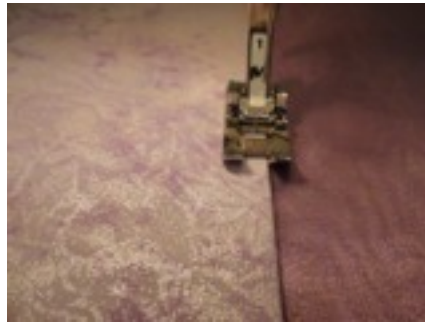




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## Construction

Place the folded edge of the fringe under the folded edge of the top of the bag, having the "fringe" sticking up, extending the height of your bag and zig zag in place.



Stitch a straight stitch through the "fringe" 1/2" above the fold of the bag fabric to form a casing



Cut the organza to form the "fringe" at the top of the bag. I cut mine about 1/2" wide. Be sure to cut down to the casing, but not through it.





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Fold the bag in half to form a cylinder shape lining up the the edges starting at the top of the folded fabric edge, and going to the bottom of the bag fabric.  
Stitch together using a 1/4" seam allowance, and starting at the folded edge (below the casing...if you sewed the sides together at the casing you would have no way to get the ribbon in.)



Quarter the bottom edge of the bag, and the circle piece that will be the bottom of the bag.  
Line up the quarter marks, right sides together and stitch the bottom circle to the actual bag using a 1/4" seam allowance.

Turn right side out.

Insert the ribbon

Tac the ribbon in the casing at the center front so it does not accidentally get pulled out

Put your bottle of Champagne in the bag and enjoy your New Year's Party!

