

Small quilted fabric bucket.

Fabric: Outer - 9" X 13.5"

Batting same as outer or slightly larger
backing (any scrap, muslin, etc. as it will not show)

Lining - 8.5" X 13"

Cuff - 4.5" X 16

Quilt the outer fabric and trim to 8.5" X 13".

Fold up RST and stitch the ~~(short)~~ ^{1/4" seam} side seams. Leave top open. Bottom is a fold.

Cut a 2" square out of each bottom corner.

Reinforce Seam and press open.

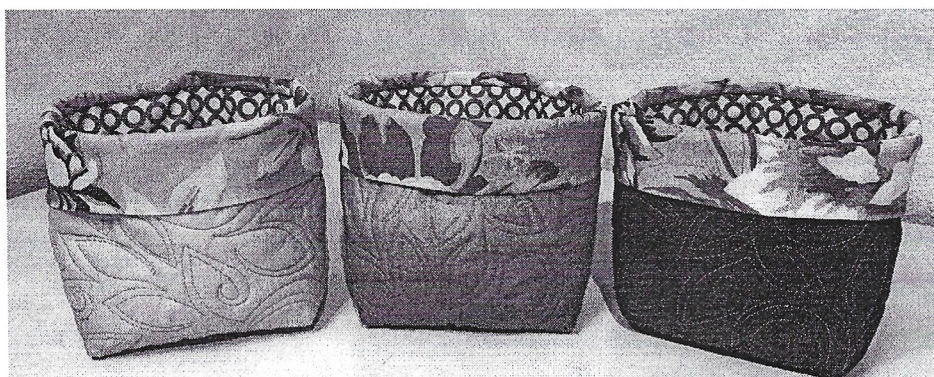
Line up side seam with center of bottom. Stitch across.

Repeat for lining

Continue as for the fat quarter buckets.

Small Quilted Bucket Trio

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This set of little quilted buckets is perfect for gifts or around the house organization. Start by quilting up a fat quarter, and then finish the rest in a flash. You'll want to make more and more!

Finished Dimensions

4 1/2" wide x 4 1/2" deep x 4 1/2" tall

Fabric

Bucket outers: 1 fat quarter

Bucket inners: 1 fat quarter if all from the same fabric, otherwise 8 1/2" x 13" each

Bucket cuffs: 1 fat quarter if all from the same fabric, otherwise 4 1/2" x 16" each.

Quilting backing (will not be seen, ok to use scrap fabric): 22" x 24"

Batting: 22" x 24"

Supplies

Basting pins

Fabric marker

Quilting gloves (optional, recommended)

Pins or clips

Shears

Thread

Work will require the use of a rotary cutter, ruler and mat, as well as an iron.

NOTE: use a 1/4" seam allowance and backstitch seam ends

Instructions:**Quilt the piece**

Layer outer fabric, batting and backing and baste using basting pins or spray baste.

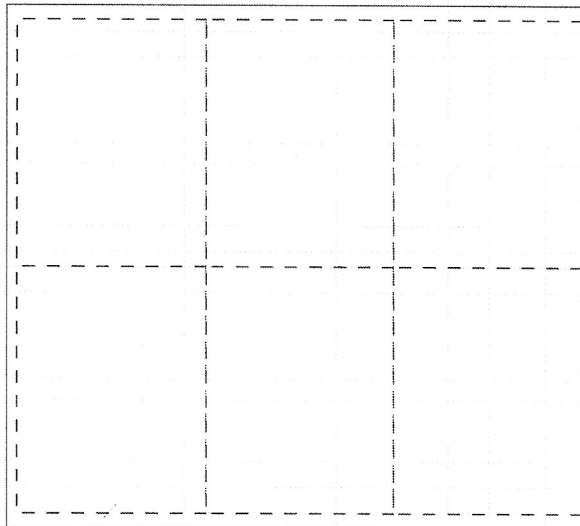
Quilt the basted piece as desired.

If you are using a directional design, consider one short edge of the basted piece the top so your design will be oriented correctly on the finished bucket.

Cut the pieces

When the piece is quilted, cut it into two strips $8\frac{1}{2}$ " wide. From each $8\frac{1}{2}$ " strip cut three pieces $8\frac{1}{2}$ " x $6\frac{1}{2}$ ". You will have 6 identical quilted rectangles, 2 for each bucket.

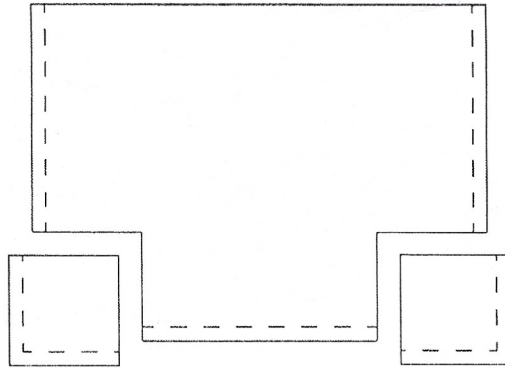
For each bucket cut two rectangles of lining fabric $8\frac{1}{2}$ " x $6\frac{1}{2}$ ". Cut three pairs, for a total of 6 lining rectangles. If you are using a fat quarter for all three bucket liners, cut as above for quilted pieces.

**Sew the pieces**

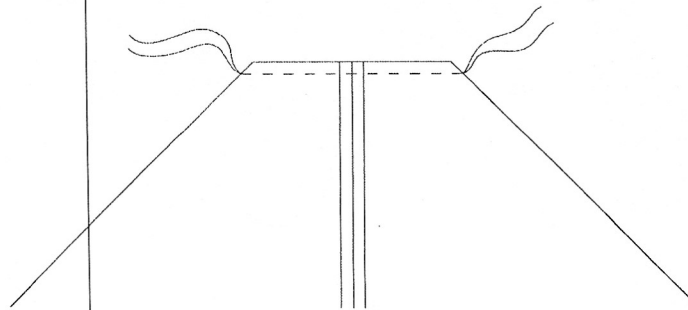
Place quilted pieces right sides together in pairs and join sides and bottom, leaving a long edge open for the top. Do the same with the lining pieces. You will have three sets of both quilted and lining pieces.

Box the corners

In each bottom corner of the quilted and lining pieces, mark and cut out a square 2 " x 2 ".



Keeping right sides together, shift the quilted piece so that the side seam at one cut out corner lies flat directly over the bottom seam. Be sure the raw edges are aligned. The cut edge should form one long opening now. Stitch closed. Repeat on the other side. Repeat on both corners of the lining piece as well.



Make the bucket cuffs

Cut three strips 4 1/2" x 16", one for each bucket.

Sew the short ends of a strip together, right sides together, to form a loop. Bring raw edges of the loop together, wrong sides together, to fold in half. Press.

Sew pieces together

Turn bucket right side out. Leave lining right side in. Nestle the lining inside the bucket, wrong sides together, and the bucket cuff inside the lining piece. Align raw edges of bucket, lining and cuff and clip or pin in place. Sew through all three layers around the top of the bucket. Flip cuff over the raw edge to the outside of the bucket.

For free motion quilting information see my blog A Few Scraps: www.afewscraps.com

*(top stitch around top
to hide
seam)
optional*