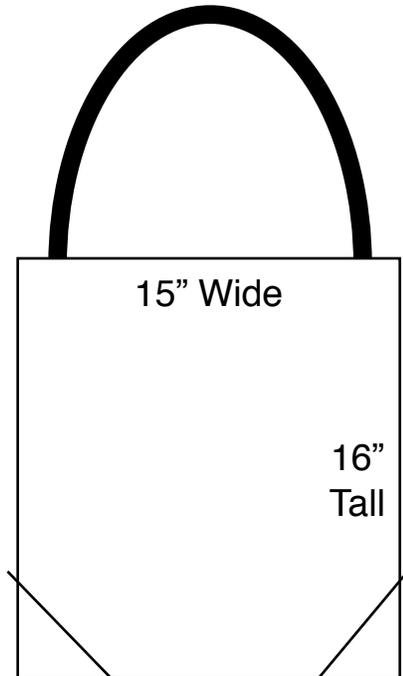


Bags for the Parker Adventist Hospital

27" to 29" finished length
of straps



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across bottom corners if
adding a gusset (though
not required)

These are donations to the hospital at their request as a thank you for letting us use the room during the year.

Since these are for patients to use when picking up brochures, paperwork and other printed items, the bag size should be approximately 15" wide X 16" tall, finished, with handles approximately 27" to 29" finished length (no shorter than 27" please).

Suggested fabrics are for a heavier weight fabric than quilting cottons. Cotton duck, upholstery fabric, home dec or other heavy woven cotton or cotton blends work well. Be sure to adjust your thread weight to be compatible with the weight of the fabric.

Self fabric straps or webbing, sold by the yard at fabric shops, are good choices for straps.

Please make sure the top edge is not raveling (a hem would be best, unless the fabric has a good edge). Use a 1/4" to 1/2" seam allowance.

Cut straps slightly longer than the finished size, then reinforce the strap at the bag finished edge.

A gusset can be added to the bottom corners, though they are not necessary.

Cutting suggestions:

Cut two pieces of heavier fabric, 16" x 17-1/2" or 18" (this may be pieced from several fabrics) Allow more fabric along top edge to hem the edge

Cut two 29" to 31" handles from webbing straps or from self made fabric straps

Sew a hem along the top edges of the bag front and back. Turn right sides together and sew a 1/2" seam along the sides and bottom of the bag, leaving the hemmed side open. (OR, sew the side and bottom seams first, then hem the top edge, your choice)

Turn right sides out, press seams so that they lay flat. Add straps approximately 2" to 3" in from the seams, front and back. Reinforce strap onto the bag, straps overlapping the fabric by at least 3/4" or more.