# HANDY POUCH

Today I thought it would be fun to make a handy wee pouch. My measurements are for a pouch suitable for carrying jewellery or make up or your sewing things. You could easily make it bigger to carry toys or gardening things. In fact, the possibilities are endless. Let's get stitching!



Step 1 Cut two circles of outer fabric 11 inches diameter and two circles of inner fabric for pockets 7 inches diameter. I used a dinner plate and a side plate to draw the circles. Cut a circle of cardboard 2.5 inches in diameter.



Step 2 Place each of your two sets of fabrics right sides together and sew them together all the way around the edge.



Step 3 Very carefully make a small hole in the centre of one layer of fabric from each of the circles. Through this hole, you can turn the circles right side out. Press.

Step 4 Take the outer circle and lay it down with the hole facing up, place the piece of cardboard centrally over the hole and fix with a spot of glue. Place the smaller inner circle on top of the cardboard with the hole side down. Fix with a spot of glue.



Step 5 Draw around the cardboard circle and draw six lines from the centre to the edge of the circle evenly spaced. Sew carefully over all these lines thus producing six small pockets on the inside of your pouch.



Step 6 Now sew a gusset for your ribbon to go in. Sew two parallel lines half an inch apart, about half an inch in from the outer edge of your pouch.



Step 7 We need to create a hole to insert the ribbon. Carefully cut a hole in the outer piece of fabric between your two parallel lines of stitching. You could neaten this hole with a buttonhole stitch.



Step 8 Thread ribbon through the gusset using a safety pin attached to one end of the ribbon.




Hey Presto job done!

