DITTY BAG INSTRUCTIONS Operation Shoebox

FABRICS: cotton, cotton-polyester blends, lightweight corduroys & flannels, or lightweight decorator fabrics work best. (jersey, rayon, flimsy and/or heavy fabrics do not work well).

SEW SEAMS 1/4 inch, back tacking at beginning and end of seams.

CUT FABRIC: 11" by 26"

Fold 26" side of fabric in half, RIGHT SIDES TOGETHER. Bag now measures 11" by 13" with the fold at the bottom of the bag. (See Figure 1 and 2)

With RIGHT SIDES together, stitch one of the 13" sides together. Open the Top of the bag out and lay flat WRONG SIDE UP, with the FOLD at the BOTTOM.

Fold each 13" side in by ¼ inch and stitch down 2 inches down the side and clip at end of stitching (Figure 3 & 4)

With WRONG SIDE UP, fold top edge of bag down 1/8" - press or stitch in place. (skip this step if top edge is serged) Fold top edge down to clipped edge to make a 1" casing. Stitch across. (Figure 5)

With RIGHT SIDES TOGETHER, stitch the open side, starting just below the casing. Finished bag measures approximately 10" W by 12"long. (Figure 6)

To make the drawstring, use 4-ply yarn and crochet a chain using a G or H hook that measures 30" to 32" long.





