

## Feminine Hygiene

## Drawstring Carrying Bag Instructions

Please do NOT use fabric with the following designs: Camouflage, handprints, footprints, or paw prints.

Patterns for Pads and the three bags for kit can be found at <a href="https://www.midwestmission.org/kits-projects-patterns/midwest-mission-kits">www.midwestmission.org/kits-projects-patterns/midwest-mission-kits</a>



## **Drawstring Carry Bag:**

Cut bag pieces from quilting cotton (no need to prewash). Cut fabric should be 7" - 9" wide and 10" - 12" tall. Cut two pieces, or one piece, folded at bottom or side. Finished size may be within a range of 6" - 8" wide and 8" - 10" tall. For drawstring you may use ribbon, new shoestrings, or hemmed bias tape.

## Sewing Instructions:

All seams: 1/2" seam allowance

Place right sides together and, beginning 2" from top of fabric, sew seam on the right edge.

To hem opening for drawstring on right edge: open up seam on right side of bag, turn ¼" of seam allowance to wrong side <u>twice</u> and stitch from top edge down, across side seam (backstitching here helps reinforce seam), and up other side.

Sew remaining seams around bag, stopping at the top of fabric on left edge.

To complete drawstring casing: Turn top edge under  $\frac{1}{4}$ ", then another  $\frac{1}{2}$  -  $\frac{3}{4}$ " depending on drawstring width. Stitch around top of bag.

Cut drawstring double the width of the bag, plus 4". Thread drawstring through casing. Tie ends together with overhand knot.