

Clean Car Caddy
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See text file (provided with designs) for list of supplies and specific cutting instructions.



1 – Cut fabric pieces, mark lines across along 19" sides & the 6" ends of narrow piece. (3" line at top, 1 1/2" line at bottom)



2 – Fold larger fabric piece in half vertically and in half again horizontally. (top with 3" marked line facing left when folded)



3 - Hoop vilene in hoop and stitch placement lines on stabilizer only, no fabric yet.



4 – Remove hoop and flip to back side. Center felt over placement lines and tape at corners. Flip hoop to right side again.



5 – Place folded fabric inside corner of placement lines. Unfold fabric flat, secure with temporary adhesive spray. (3" marked line should be on right side facing vilene).



6 - Stitch design on fleece fabric.



7 - Remove hoop, flip to back side. Trim felt close to design.



8 – Pin 16" sides of large piece to 6" strip and stitch the strip to the larger piece using 5/8" seam allowances.



9 - Top stitch seam allowances (like putting in a zipper) open down to 3" line at the top and top stitch seams open at the bottom up to the 1 1/2" marked line.



10 - Fold top to 3" line and top stitch 1/4" from cut edge. Stitch another row 3/8" above first row of stitches to create channel for the plastic tubing.

11. At bottom, fold fabric to 1 1/2" marked line & top stitch 1/4" from cut edge to create channel at the bottom.



11 - Re-open the seams on each side to create openings to inserting the tubing and add the ribbon hanger strips.



12 - Cut ribbon at an angle on each end. Lightly singe cut edges with disposable lighter to keep ribbon from raveling.



13 - Cut ribbon strip in half, singe cut edges with lighter too. Mark 3" lines on ends & fold to a 1 1/2" loop, stitch across ribbon to secure.



14 - Mark the center on the dowel (2 1/2") and push the dowel inside the plastic tubing to dowel center mark.



15 - Feed plastic tubing (with dowel inside) into channel through opening. As tubing reaches opening insert ribbon ends to catch tubing & continue feeding tubing through channel. At end, push tubing over dowel to center mark.



16 - Push/pull tubing inside channel until the wooden dowel is centered between the openings. (this will keep the design centered on the caddy front)



17 – Cut small slit inside bottom channel and thread 1/4" ribbon through channel. Pull ribbon to gather fabric as tight as possible and tie in a knot. Pull ribbons ends to the inside, no need to trim. This forms the bottom of the caddy.



18 – Cut the plastic canvas to 10" high (should already be 22 1/2" long). Whip stitch 10" sides together with heavy upholstery thread or yarn to form a tube.



19 - Push canvas inward at stitched edge to make smaller. Slide canvas inside caddy and push the canvas up under the plastic tubing to form the caddy.



20 – Slip shopping bag inside caddy. Push canvas in around top & slip edge of bag down around the canvas.



21 – Make canvas round again by pushing it up under the plastic tubing. Will also hold the bag in place.



Total cost to make 1 car caddy:

- Fleece fabric - \$1.67 (fleece used for samples was \$4.90 for 3/4 yard will make 3 bags)
- 3/8" polyethylene plastic tubing - 32 cents (Tubing is 16 cents/ft in Lowe's plumbing dept)
- 1/2 yd of 1/4" ribbon – 8 cents (6 yd roll - \$.97)
- 1 yd of 1" grosgrain ribbon – 31 cents (31 cents/yard)
- 1/4" dowel rod – 5 cents (\$.37 for 3 ft piece) (Dowel rod enough to make 7 caddies)
- Plastic canvas – 72 cents (6pk – 13 1/2"x22 1/2" - \$4.28)
- Total (excluding sales tax): \$3.15 per bag.**
- (Plastic canvas, ribbon & dowel rod - Wal-Mart pricing)

Tie ribbon around head rest or around glove compartment lid between bucket seats! Or hang from stick shift or arm rest. Adjust by tying knot closer or further away!