

# COSMETIC CASES

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These are "general" instructions to illustrate the construction process. Text files with supply list & instructions are provided with design sets. A separate PDF file with specific illustrations & cutting instructions provided with orders as well.



1. On pre-quilted fabric for outer case, mark a short center line at the top and bottom.



2. Add interfacing to lining. Measure 1 5/8" from fabric top (not the interfacing) & mark lines across the interfacing (both pieces).



3. Fold at marked line & iron to crease (both pieces). The creased fold will become the top of the case later.



4. Prepare prairie points using same print fabric used for lining.



5. Hoop stabilizer and stitch placement line on stabilizer only. Note the stitched center mark.



6. Place pre-quilted fabric in hoop with center marks on fabric & stabilizer even. Tape or use adhesive spray to keep fabric in place. Stitch design until the last color.



7. Flip fabric up & over design until edge is even with edge of fabric in hoop. Tape, put hoop on machine.



8. The last color in design stitches sides of case together.



9. Trim stabilizer close to stitches. Turn right side out. Stitch prairie points to each side centered with  $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam. (use center marks on fabric as guide) Set aside.



10. Prepare lining: Pin bottom of lining pieces together (right sides facing) and stitch with 6.0 SL basting stitch. Press seam open flat.



11. Next, pin sides together (right sides facing) & stitch together with  $\frac{1}{2}$ " seam allowance.



12. Remove basting stitches at the bottom and press the side seams open flat.



13. Slip right side of case inside the wrong side of the lining (right sides facing).



14. Pin lining and case evenly around the top keeping sides seams opened flat & centered over each other.



15. Stitch both pieces together with  $\frac{1}{2}$ " seam allowance around the top.



16. Turn ensemble right side. Pin & stitch bottom opening in lining closed.



17. Push lining down inside the case until the creased fold becomes the very top of the case.

18. Move needle to far left position & keep left edge of foot even with left edge of "top band" and top stitch to create a channel for the metal strips. (1/8" – 3/16" seam)



19. Cut tape measure to length & trim corners. Cover ends with duct tape to help protect fabric.

20. Turn case wrong side out (forgot to do this!) & re-open one side seam in the top band. Push the metal strips into each side until centered. Whip stitch opening closed.



Turn case right side out...you're finished!