

# Pink & Blue Potpourri Backpack

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Web Bonus pattern for backpack by Diane Nesbit

From the Calypso collection by Angie Garibaldi's Mag and Mimi Designs for Timeless Treasures, [www.ttfabrics.com](http://www.ttfabrics.com)

## Materials You Will Need:

1/2 yard of a pink floral  
1/2 yard of a blue dot  
1/2 yard of a stripe

## Cutting Directions:

From the pink floral, cut:  
(2) 16" squares

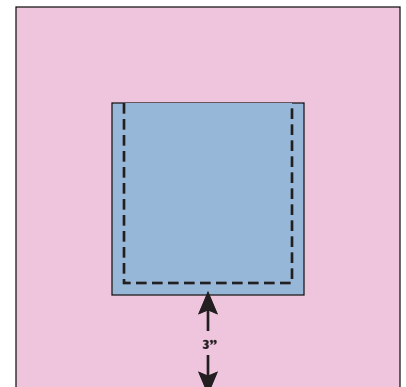
From the blue dots, cut:  
(2) 16" squares  
(1) 7" squares  
(1) 2-1/2" x 42" strip

From the stripe, cut:  
(2) 5-1/2" x 42" strips

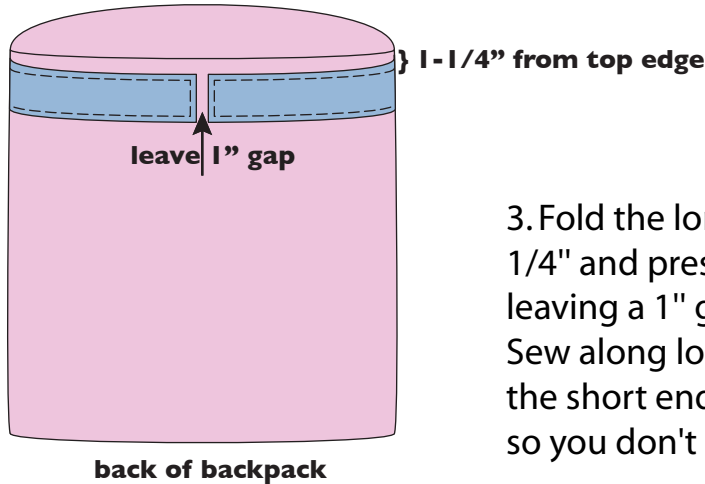
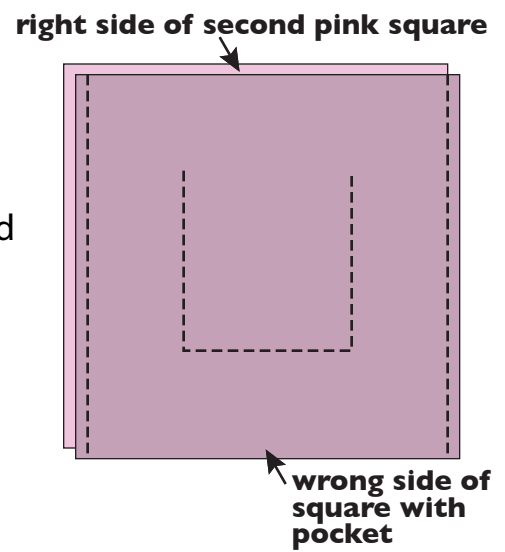
**Sewing Directions:** *(Seam allowance is 1/4" unless stated otherwise)*

## MAKING THE BACKPACK

1. Press all (4) edges of the 7" blue dot square under 1/4". Sew along one edge. Position square on (1) 16" pink floral square, centered from side to side and approximately 3" from the bottom of the square.

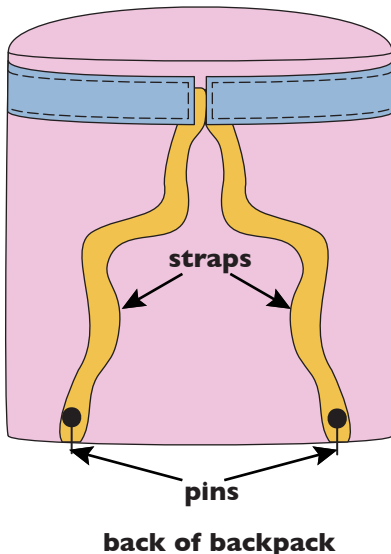
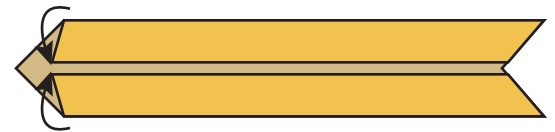


2. Layer the (2) 16" pink floral squares right sides together and sew down the (2) sides only. Turn right side out.



3. Fold the long sides of the 2-1/2" x 42" blue dot strip under 1/4" and press. Pin to backpack, 1-1/4" down from the top, leaving a 1" gap in the back. Trim the ends and press under. Sew along long edges of the blue dot strip, and then sew down the short ends as well. Note: Use the arm of your sewing machine so you don't sew through both sides of the backpack.

4. Sew the (2) 5-1/2" x 42" stripe strips short ends together. Press the strip in half and then in half again. Sew 1/4" from each edge to create the backpack strap.



5. Feed the strap through the strap sleeve, keeping the ends equal length. Select the desired length (between 60" and 70"), trim excess, and pin straps to bottom edge of back piece of backpack.

6. Turn the backpack right sides together, and stitch along bottom, securing the straps. Turn right side out.

7. Lay the (2) 16" blue dot squares right sides together and sew on (3) sides to create the lining, leaving an opening to turn the backpack right sides out.

8. Position the backpack inside the lining, keeping right sides together, and stitch around the top edge.

9. Turn the backpack right sides out, stitch the lining closed, and push lining into backpack. Stitch along top edge of backpack to secure lining in place.