

# Birds & Berries Gift Bags

2010 Free "Christmas in July" Quilt Project from BOMQuilts.com & AbbiMays.com



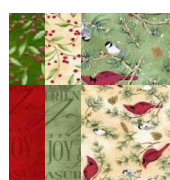
Fabric Yardage - from AbbiMays.com  
"Birds & Berries" from Clothworks



Fabric requirements include the panel and enough fat quarters to make **THREE (3)** gift bags. You will need to add your own handles and batting.



1 Panel



6 Assorted/  
Coordinating Fat  
Quarters

The following piecing and quilting instructions are for the bag shown in the photograph. You can make bigger and smaller gift bags by following the same basic instructions. Be sure to fussy-cut the panel fabric for both the front and back of the gift bag.

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Fussy-cut **TWO (2)** images that match in size for the front and back of your gift bag.

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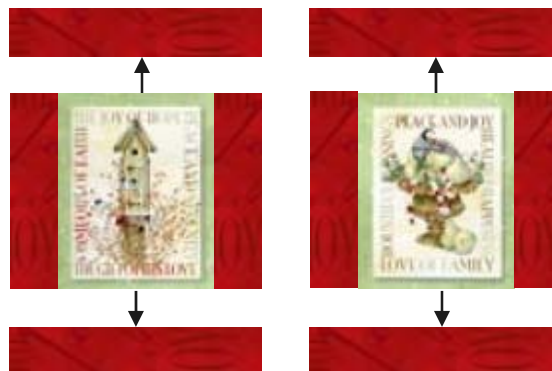


Using one of your coordinating fat quarters, cut out **FOUR (4)** 2 1/2" x WOF strips.

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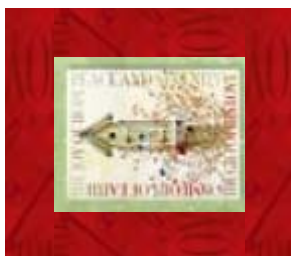
*Fabric requirements include the panel and enough fat quarters to make THREE (3) gift bags. You will need to add your own handles and batting.*

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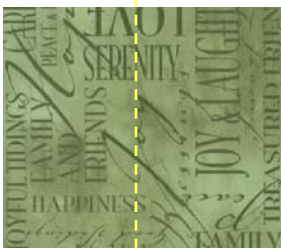
*Out of the same coordinating fabric, cut out a 4" x 5" strip of fabric.*

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*Once you've sewn the front & back of your gift bag together, press it flat. Then, cut out batting to go on the back a bit bigger than your project. Pin the batting to the gift bag and quilt as desired. Once done, press again.*

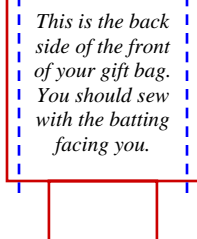
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*For the inside of your gift bag, cut your second coordinating fat quarter in half and then sew the two pieces together so you have a long strip of fabric. Place the quilted front/back of your gift bag on top of the inside fabric and cut them with a rotary cutter all together so they match.*



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*This is the back side of the front of your gift bag. You should sew with the batting facing you.*

*Now it's time to sew the gift bag together! First, sew the front/back of the gift bag on the side, right sides together. Be sure to sew a straight stitch with 1/2" seam allowance and then go back and sew a zig-zag stitch to secure the bag for heavy contents. Repeat on both sides. Then, repeat with the inside fabric, except be sure to leave about 5" unsewn on ONE (1) side of the fabric for turning the gift bag.*

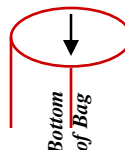
*To sew the bottoms, fold the bottom of the sides that are opened and pin them to the bottom of your gift bag and sew, again using both a straight-stitch and a zig-zag. Repeat on the other side of the gift bag and then repeat again with the inside fabric.*

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*It is now time to add the handles to the front of your gift bag. Be sure to line them up the same on both sides. Sew them with a tight zig-zag stitch to secure them well.*

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*To sew the open ends at the bottom of your gift bag together, line up the open edge, pin it, and sew it with both a straight stitch and a zig-zag to secure it. Repeat with the inside fabric.*

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*It's time to put your gift bag together! Put the inside fabric over the quilted outside fabric (make sure you tuck the handles down) with the right sides together. Pin all around the top and sew with both a straight stitch and a zig-zag stitch. Then, turn the bag right-side out, through the hole you left in the inside fabric and sew up the hole. Push the inside fabric into the gift bag and top-stitch around the top of the gift bag to secure it.*

**Congratulations! If you purchased the kit from [www.AbbiMays.com](http://www.AbbiMays.com), you will be able to make THREE (3) gift bags of the size of your choosing from the kit.**

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