

## Lipstick Zipper Case

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You'll have to convince people that you made this adorable train case style cosmetic bag yourself! Polished finishes like piping and bias tape make it look oh-so-professional, and the carrying handle is great for travel. The optional embroidery design features a six-lipstick lineup (pick your own favorite colors!) and a single tube option if you want to come up with your own placement. If you don't have an embroidery machine, use a cute print for the inside and the outside. The quilted panels mean even more creativity – straight lines? Free motion? Decorative stitches? Whatever you can dream up!

### Sewing Supplies:

- HUSQVARNA VIKING® sewing and embroidery machine
- Sensor-Q foot or appropriate embroidery foot

- Zipper Foot
- Edge Stitching Foot 412914146
- Mega Piping Foot 413195145
- INSPIRA® Universal Needles – size 80 620098096
- ½ yard fabric for exterior
- ½ yard fabric for lining
- ½ yard fusible fleece
- ½ yard Pellon Décor-Bond 809
- ½ yard accent fabric for piping
- 12” piece 1” webbing
- 6” piece 1” twill tape
- one 24” zipper
- Sewing thread to match exterior, lining and piping
- 3 yards ½” double fold bias tape
- 2 yards ⅛” cotton cord for piping
- Basic sewing tools

### *For embroidery:*

- Do All Quilter’s Hoop 150x150mm 920115096
- INSPIRA® Tear-A-Way stabilizer 620112296
- Extra ¼ yard of exterior fabric
- Cotton 50 wt embroidery thread in black
- Rayon 40 wt embroidery in light grey, white and six shades of red
- Bobbin fill thread

### **Cut:**

From Main Fabric, Lining Fabric AND Décor-Bond:

2 x Top/Bottom panels (pattern piece included)

1 x 2¼”Lx25¾”W upper zipper gusset

1 x 4¾”Lx25¾”W lower zipper gusset

(Note: If embroidering, cut lower zipper gusset 9"LxWOF from extra ¼ yard of main fabric. Lining and Décor-Bond do not change)

1 x 7"Lx7"W hinge

From Fusible Fleece:

2 x Top/Bottom panels – trim off ½" from all edges

1 x 1½"Lx24¾"W upper zipper gusset

1 x 4"Lx24¾"W lower zipper gusset

1 x 6"Lx6"W hinge

From Accent Fabric, if making piping:

3 x 1¾"W bias strips

### **Prepare:**

1. Center fusible fleece on the wrong side of all corresponding lining pieces. On top/bottom panels and hinge, there should be ½" of fabric showing around all edges of fleece. On zipper gussets, there should be ¼" of fabric showing along zipper edge, and ½" showing along other edges. Fuse following manufacturer's instructions.
2. Fuse Décor-Bond to wrong side of all exterior pieces following manufacturer's instructions. If embroidering, do not fuse Décor-Bond to lower zipper gusset yet.

### **Embroider:**

1. Hoop 9"xWOF fabric piece in hoop, roughly centered, with the width of the fabric running vertically. This means that when you put the hoop on the machine, the excess fabric is above and below the hoop.
2. Thread machine with black cotton thread and embroidery bobbin. Snap on **Sensor Q foot** or appropriate embroidery foot.
3. Load design. Rotate design 90°.

4. Go to **Embroidery Stitch Out** and push **Start/Stop** to begin embroidery. Follow prompts for color changes and trimming.
5. When finished, remove hoop and stabilizer. Trim fabric to  $\frac{7}{8}$ " below design and  $\frac{5}{8}$ " above design (total height of fabric strip should be  $4\frac{3}{4}$ ".) Then, trim width of strip to  $2\frac{3}{4}$ " with design centered.
6. Press from wrong side. Fuse Décor-Bond to wrong side following manufacturer's instructions.

### **Build Zipper Gusset:**

Note: All seam allowances are  $\frac{1}{2}$ " unless otherwise specified.

1. Toggle to **Sewing Mode**. Thread machine with sewing thread and bobbin. Snap on **Zipper Foot**. Set machine for a **straight stitch**.
2. Find center point on zipper between metal stops. Find center of long bottom edge of upper zipper gusset. Align centers and pin edge of zipper tape to upper gusset, right sides together. Unzip zipper halfway.
3. **Lengthen stitch length** to maximum. Baste zipper tape to gusset, close to edge, stopping and zipping pull past foot when you get close to it.
4. Pin lining to same edge with right side against wrong side of zipper. Be sure to align ends with main fabric.
5. Reduce stitch length to **2.5**. With lining fabric on bottom, stitch lining to zipper using a  $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance, again stopping and zipping pull past foot when near it. Press both fabric pieces away from zipper.
6. Snap on **Edge Stitching Foot** and increase stitch length to **3.5**. Topstitch fabric along edge of zipper.
7. Repeat steps 1-6 to attach lower zipper gusset exterior and lining to other side of zipper.
8. Mark centers of long edges of upper and lower gussets.

### **Quilt:**

1. Snap on **Utility Foot A**. Increase stitch length to **4.0**.
2. Pin edges of exterior and lining gussets together. Baste around edges at  $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance.
3. Quilt gussets as desired.

4. Pin top exterior/lining panels wrong sides together. Quilt as desired. Repeat with bottom panels.

### **Make piping:**

1. Thread machine with thread to match piping fabric. Piece three bias strips together.
2. Snap on **Mega Piping Foot**. Fold bias strip around cotton cord and baste together along ridge of cord at  $\frac{1}{2}$ " seam allowance.

### **Attach handle/piping:**

1. Snap on **Utility Foot A**. Find centers in short edges of top panel. Pin webbing to each exterior edge, centered on marks. Reduce stitch length to **2.5** and stitch across end at  $\frac{1}{4}$ " to secure.
2. On webbing, measure  $2 \frac{1}{2}$ " from both edges of fabric and mark. Stitch along edge of webbing to mark, across webbing, and back down other side of webbing.
3. Cut piece of twill tape in half. Fold each piece in half and center over each end of zipper (right side) with raw edges aligned with edge of gusset. Stitch across at  $\frac{1}{4}$ " to secure.
4. Snap on **Mega Piping foot** and increase stitch length to **4.0**. Pin piping around edge of both top and bottom panels on exterior side, aligning raw edges. Snip edge of piping to curve around corners. At end, snip cord inside piping and fold raw edge of fabric over beginning.
5. Baste piping to panels at  $\frac{1}{2}$ ".

### **Add hinge:**

1. Snap on **Utility Foot A** and reduce stitch length to **2.5**. Pin exterior hinge to one short end of zipper gusset, exterior sides together. Stitch together at  $\frac{1}{4}$ ".
2. Pin lining hinge to same edge, lining sides together. Stitch along edge at  $\frac{1}{2}$ ", carefully hand cranking when you are near the zipper in case you are close to the metal stop.
3. Press both hinges away from fabric. Also press the free edge of the exterior hinge  $\frac{1}{2}$ " towards wrong side.
4. Topstitch hinge along sewn edge.
5. Pin free edge of lining hinge to other end of zipper gusset, lining sides together. Stitch seam at  $\frac{1}{2}$ " and press away from gusset.

6. Cover seam allowance with pressed edge of exterior hinge. Topstitch along folded edge through all layers to secure.

### **Sew bag:**

1. Find and mark centers of long edges on top and bottom panels. Pin raw edge of bottom zipper gusset to edge of bottom panel, aligning centers and with exterior sides together. Snip ¼” into the gusset at the corners so you can curve it around the bottom panel. Use lots of pins.
2. Snap on **Mega Piping Foot**. With panel side up, stitch gusset and panel together at ½”. You may find it easiest to follow the stitching line from when you attached the piping.
3. Trim seam allowance to a generous ¼”. Wrap double fold bias tape around raw edge. Topstitch through all layers to secure, folding under the end to hide raw edge. (It’s ok if the bias tape doesn’t look perfect, it will be stuffed down inside the bag.)
4. Repeat steps 1-3 for top panel/top gusset.
5. Turn bag right side out and push bias tape edges down into the corners. Give everything a press.

**Fill your bag with makeup, toiletries, or – let’s be honest – sewing stuff!**

**Top/Bottom panel**  
(8"x10" with rounded corners)