

Persimmon Dumpling Pouch Hacks #15 - #18

Ribbons, Snaps and Zipper Handle

Original Persimmon Dumpling Pouch Pattern can be found here-
<https://sewsweetness.com/2019/08/persimmon-dumpling-pouch>

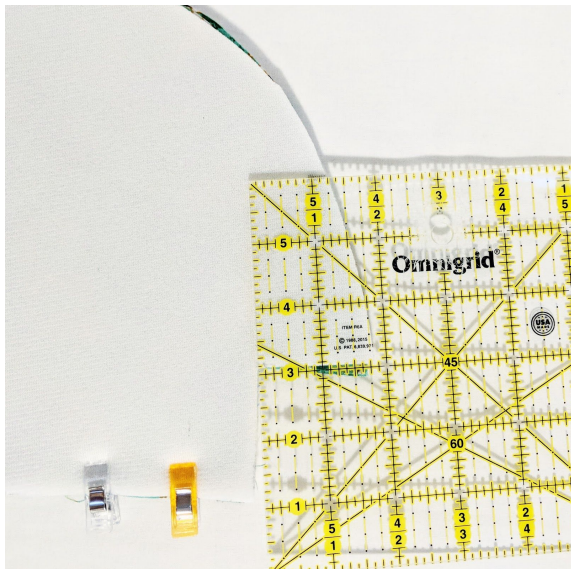
Lacy Persimmon - Hack # 15

Supplies

- Sixteen 1/8" grommets.
- Two 47" long 1/4" or 3/8" ribbon or you can use rope or laces.

Assemble the Pouch

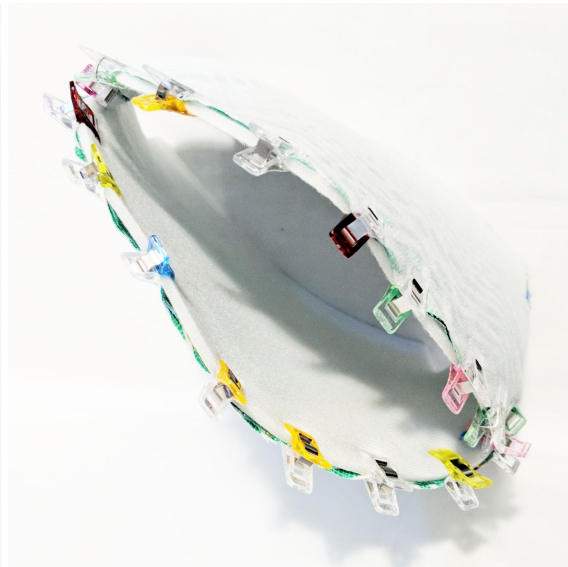
1. Make a mark on both sides of the exterior and lining panels that are 3" up on the curve from the straight edge where the box corner cut out is.



2. Pin the exterior panels together and lining panels together.
3. Sew using 1/4" seam allowance up to the curve to the 3" mark you made, on the exterior panel. Repeat for the opposite side and lining panels.



4. Press the seams open.
5. Turn the exterior panel right sides out.
6. Place the exterior inside the lining, right sides will be touching. Pin in place.



7. Sew the curve using 1/4" seam allowance. When you get to where you sewed up to the 3" mark, sew 1/4" past this, you'll be in the middle of the seam, pivot and sew up the other side of the pouch.
8. Clip the middle of the seams on each side and then up a bit as well. This will help that curve press nicer.



9. Turn the fabrics right sides out. Press.



10. Topstitch using 1/8" seam allowance.

11. Continue with the pattern as per Sara's instructions.

Install the Grommets

12. Make a mark that is 3/4" away from the center and 1/2" down from the top edge on the right side of the pouch. Make 3 more marks that are 1-1/2" away from each other and 1/2" down from the top edge.

13. Repeat Step 12 but for the left side of the pouch.

14. Repeat Steps 12 and 13 for the other side of the pouch.

15. Install the grommets as per manufacturer's instructions.



Lace the Pouch

16. Starting at the bottom right hand side, lace the ribbon through the grommets, stopping when you reach the top grommets 3/4" away from the center.

17. Repeat Step 16 for the left side and the other piece of ribbon.

18. Cut the ribbons on an angle and heat seal.

19. Tie the ribbons together or separately.

*You can add a snap at the top in the center for extra security if you'd like to.



Alternate Way To Lace the Pouch

1. Start at the top right hand side of the pouch at the grommet that is 3/4" away from the center.

2. Lace the ribbon all the way down on both sides.

3. Cut the ribbons on an angle and heat seal.

4. Tie a knot in the bottom, on both sides, to hold the ribbons in place.
 5. Repeat Steps 1-4 for the left side of the pouch with the other ribbon.
 6. Pull the ribbons up, so it closes the pouch tightly. Tie the ribbons together. This helps close the top of the pouch together tightly. You now have handles.
- *You can add a snap at the top in the center for extra security if you'd like to.



Snappy Persimmon - Hack #16

Assemble the Pouch

1. Follow Steps 1-11 in Hack #15 to assemble to Pouch.

Install the Snaps

2. Measure and make a mark that is in the center and 1/2" down from the curved top edge.
3. Measure and make a mark that is 1/2" up from the bottom of the curved edge, closest to where the boxed corner will be and 1/2" down from the curved edge.
4. Fold the pouch so these 2 marks you made touch. Make a mark that is in the center of these two marks, it will be where the crease is and 1/2" down from the curved edge.
5. Place the female portions of the snaps on one side of the pouch and the male portions of the snaps on the opposite side of the pouch.



Snappy Flappy Persimmon - Hack #17

Make the Flap

1. Cut two pieces of accent fabric and Shape Flex 5-1/2" x 2-1/2". Fuse Shape Flex according to manufacturer's instructions.
2. Using something that is rounded, cut a curve on one short edge, of both flap pieces. You can also leave it straight, cut a 'V', whatever you would like.



3. Pin the flap pieces right sides together and sew using 1/4" seam allowance. Do not sew the top straight edge.
4. Make clips in the curves.
5. Turn right sides out. Press straight edge under by 1/4". Press the entire flap.
6. Topstitch 1/8" around the entire flap.



Attach the Flap

7. Measure and make a mark that is centered and 2" down from the top curved edge of the exterior panel piece.

8. Place the flap's straight edge at this line. Sew using 1/8" and 1/4" seam allowance.



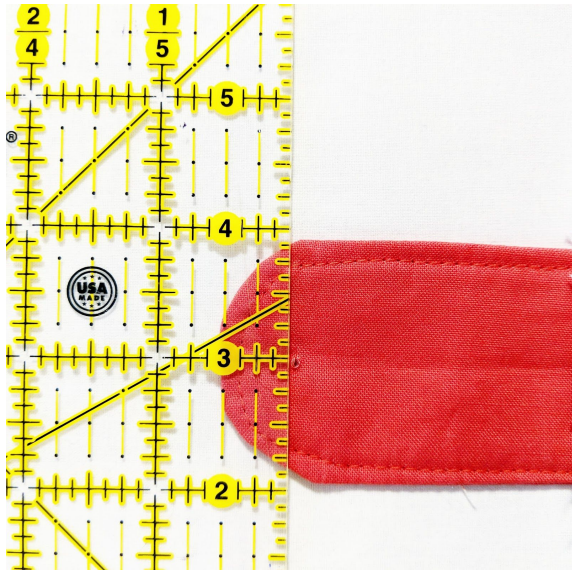
Install the Snaps on the Flap

9. Measure and make a mark that is 1-3/4" down and centered on the other exterior panel.

Install the female portion of the snap at this mark



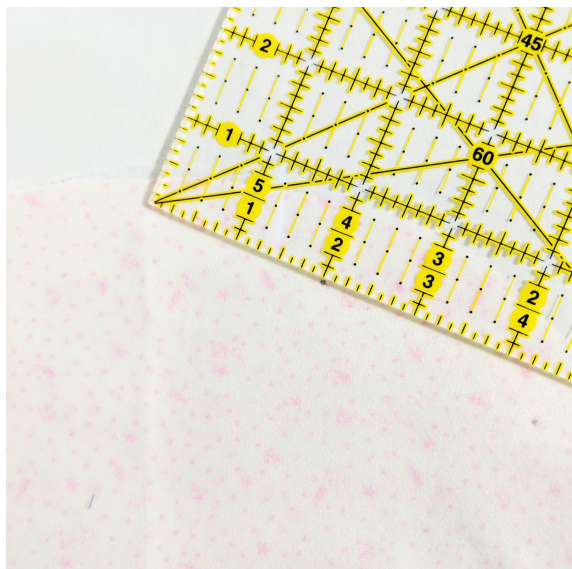
10. Measure and make a mark that is 1/2" centered and down from the curve of the flap.



11. Install the male portion of the snap at this mark.

Install the Snaps on the Lining Fabrics

12. Measure and make a mark on the lining fabric, that is 2" away to the right, from the center and 3/4" down from the top curved edge. Then make another mark that is 2-1/2" away from the first mark and 3/4" down from the top edge.



13. Repeat Step 12 for the left side.

14. Repeat Steps 12 and 13 for the other lining main panel.

15. Install the female portion of the snaps on one lining panel and the male portions of the snaps on the other lining panel. You may want to use a small square of Peltex behind the snaps for extra strength.

Assemble the Pouch

16. Follow Steps 1-11 in Hack #15 to assemble to Pouch.



Zippy Persimmon - Hack #18

Supplies

- Any length of zipper scrap that you'd like to use. For my pouch I used an 8" zipper.

To Attach Zipper Handle

1. Heat seal both ends of your zipper.
2. Measure and make a mark on one exterior panel that is 2" up on the curve, from the straight edge where the box corner cut out is, on the right side.



3. Measure and make a mark on the opposite exterior panel that is 2" up on the curve, from the straight edge where the box corner cut out is, on the left side.

4. Pin one end of the zipper on the mark you made on the right hand side of the exterior panel. It will be placed above the line, but on it. The zipper will be right sides against the right side of your fabric.
5. Sew the zipper handle using 1/8" seam allowance. I like to stitch over this a few times for extra security.
6. Sew the zipper and lining onto the pouch and topstitch, as per Sara's instructions.



7. Place the completed exterior panel with the zipper attached to it, on your table in front of you, this zipper will be on the right hand side.
 8. Place the other exterior panel with nothing on it, on the right side of the completed exterior panel.
 9. Take the zipper handle and flip it towards the exterior panel on the left. It will now be right sides against the right side of the exterior panel. Place it at the line and pin in place.
 10. Sew using 1/8" sem allowance. I like to stitch over this a few times for extra security.
 11. Continue with the pattern as per Sara's instructions.
- *You can separate the zipper and only use one half of it.
- **You can add a handle to the second side. Follow all steps but add a second one at the same time. So for example, in Step #4 you'll pin the zipper handle to both sides at this time.
- ***You can zip two halves of two different colour zippers together.
- ****You can add a zipper pull to this zipper, for decorative purposes.



NOTES

1. You can use a combo of any of these Persimmon Dumpling Pouch hacks on any one pouch.
2. To get your accent pieces on the pouches to line up and have perfect boxed corners, ensure you're placing the center of the zipper teeth, against the side seam and center to it. This way everything will line up in the final construction. Use lots of pins and/or clips to hold everything in place while you sew. Don't remove your clips until the presser foot touches them. This way nothing shifts while you're sewing.
3. To get a flat bottom, give the front that goes from one box corner to the other a really good press. You can find this edge, by pinching the one corner of the boxed corner and the opposite corner at the same time. This will help it sit flat. If using a material that can't be ironed, use clips on the seam and leave them for a couple of hours or overnight, the longer the better. Place foam between the clip and the material, so the clip doesn't leave teeth marks.
4. I recommend heat sealing all your zippers, this helps prevent them from fraying.

5. You can also use a scrap of zipper for a zipper pull. You can use one half or cut the tape off the zipper , so there is just the coil. Then heat seal the whole zipper so it won't fray. Please be careful.



Hardware

Zippers - <https://sewsweetness.com/product-category/hardware/zippers>

Hardware - <https://sewsweetness.com/product-category/hardware>

Cork - <https://sewsweetness.com/product-category/fabric/cork>

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