

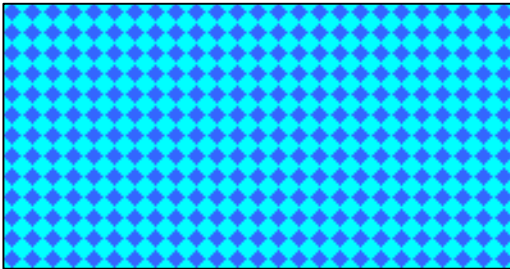
How to Make Bird Bags

What you need:

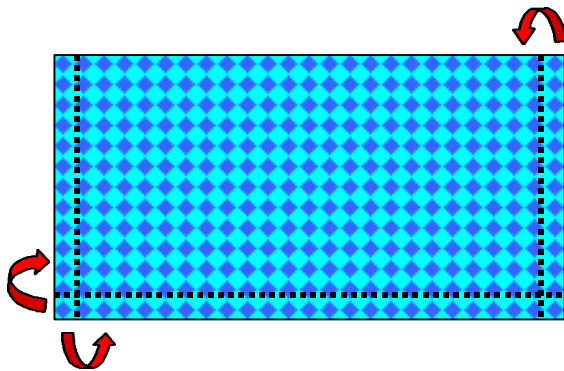
- 1) lots of **cotton** fabric: any shade or pattern as long as it is breathable cotton
- 2) nylon rope $\frac{1}{8}$ inch thick available at Canadian Tire for \$3.79 a pack (one pack makes roughly 15 bags)
- 3) a sewing machine, a few pins, scissors, and a ruler



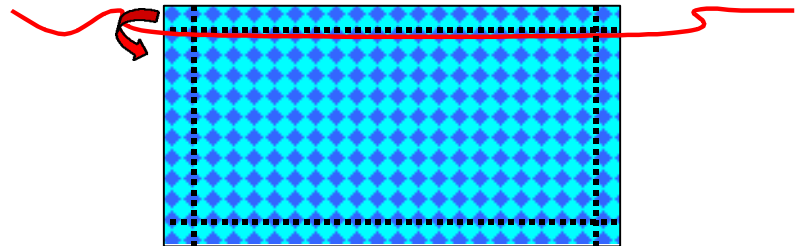
- 1) Cut a rectangle of cotton fabric roughly 45cm by 30cm (18 inches by 12 inches).



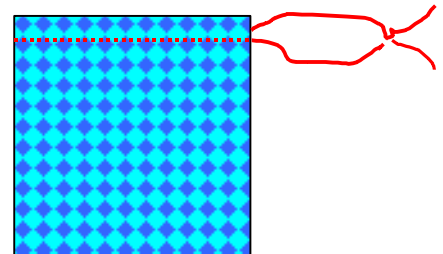
- 2) Iron **double-seams** on the bottom and the two sides. This means fold $\frac{1}{4}$ inch of fabric over, iron in place, then fold over again. This ensures that there are no loose threads on the inside of the bag.



- 3) Fold the top down ($\frac{1}{4}$ inch seam) and iron in place. Cut a length of nylon cord roughly 75-85cm long (30-33 inches) and place it along the top seam, then fold the fabric over and iron in place. Pin the ends down to facilitate sewing. Sew the cord pocket seam.



- 4) Fold in half, wrong sides together. Sew the bottom and the sides closed, sewing up to the string (but not over it!). Tie the two ends of the string together.



Thank you so much for helping us out – it's very much appreciated!

Sincerely,
The McGill Bird Observatory Team

