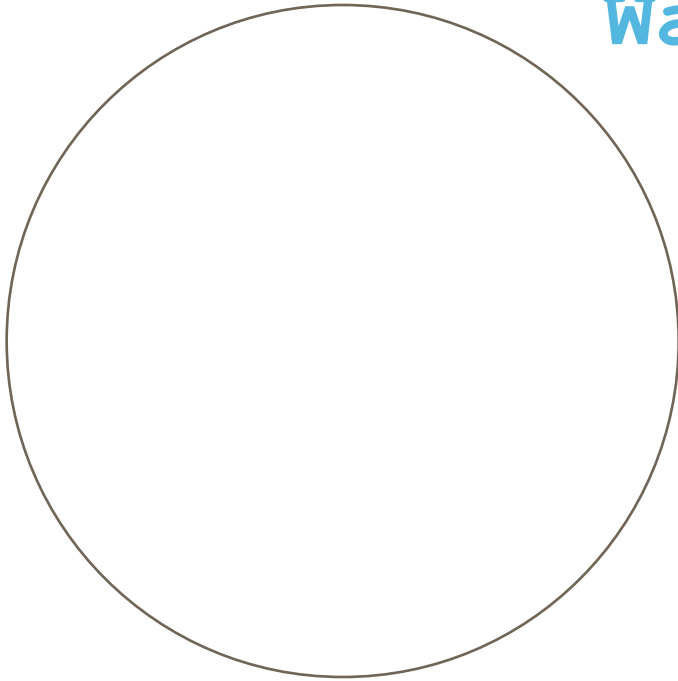


# Water Bottle Tote



Supplies (for one bottle tote):

- fabric, 9"x 11" + 3 1/2" circle
- elastic, 12"
- twill tape for strap, 36"
- matching thread

Step 1: Cut fabric.

Cut fabric rectangle 9"x11" and circle according to template above.

Step 2: Make elastic opening.

At the top of your fabric width, press down 1/4" of raw edge of fabric towards wrong side and then press again 1/2". Sew along bottom of pressed edge.

Step 3: Sew Straps.

Turn under each end of twill tape and pin to the fabric rectangle, centered at 3" from either side. Beginning just under the elastic opening, sew along sides and bottom to hold straps in place.

Step 4: Sew Bottle Tote Body.

Turn fabric right sides together and sew along the edge with a 1/2" seam allowance, beginning just below the elastic opening. Trim excess and finish with an overcasting stitch.

Step 5: Sew Bottom.

Pin and sew the bottom circle with a 1/4" seam allowance. Be sure to finish with an overcasting stitch for added strength.

Step 6: Insert elastic and Finish.

With a safety pin attached to one end of the elastic, thread it through the elastic opening. Pull through and gather just a bit, then sew a zig-zag stitch to secure elastic ends. Then fold over one open end and tuck under the other. Hand or machine sew in place to close opening. Turn right side out!

