

# Purse Outer-Pocket Overlay

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Let different embroidered "Purse Outer-Pockets" substitute for having several different purses!  
No need to change pocketbooks with different outfits: Simply button on a new Purse Pocket!

## SUPPLIES NEEDED:

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| 1 purse or tote with a plain side ( <i>See Figure 1.</i> ) | One 14"x10" piece of thin cotton batting (or fleece)   |
| 12 buttons to match purse/tote                             | Embroidery Design: PurseOverlay.ART file<br>( <i>This is provided in a separate file on this site.</i> ) |
| 30" decorative fringe (optional)                           | Additional embroidery design for center (your choice)  |
| Two 14"x10" pieces of fabric (for embroidery)              |  |

## INSTRUCTIONS:

- Sew the 12 buttons onto the purse, using the provided template for button positioning. (Note that these same 12 buttons will be used for ALL future purse pocket overlays. New buttons won't be needed.)
- Spray both sides of the cotton batting (or fleece) and adhere it to the wrong sides of the selected embroidery fabric. Hoop all together in the large oval hoop, and stitch the design (PurseOverlay.ART) in place. Before removing the fabric from the hoop, stitch a center design of your choice.
- Remove the fabric from hoop. Trim and serge the outer edge at the desired length. Sew optional fringe at the outer edge. (*See Figure 2 for a sample.*)
- Button this finished design onto your purse. (*See Figure 3.*)
- Optional: Stitch a matching design onto a shirt or blouse for garment coordination. (*See Figure 4 for an example.*) Wear it with pride!



Figure 1



Figure 2



Figure 3



Figure 4

## Notes:

This page provides the supplies list and basic instructions for the Purse Outer-Pocket Overlay. See the following page for an image of the .ART file and added notes, and the cardstock template for marking the positions for the buttons to be sewed onto the purse. HAVE FUN!!

## PurseOverlay

Date: 29 May, 2004  
 Stitches: 10851  
 Colors: 3  
 H: 9.89 in  
 W: 5.56 in  
 Zoom: 1.00

Total Bobbin: 65.41ft

## Color Sequence:

1. ■ black 0020  
Brand: Isacord 43
2. ■ Dark Gray 0132  
Brand: Isacord 50
3. ■ fashion - dark leaf green 5555  
Brand: Isacord 336

The design on this page may be used as an Outer Purse Pocket for a tote bag or a purse onto which you can sew some buttons. This complimentary design, titled "PurseOverlay" is available on a different link on this site. The colors for this design were dark shades selected solely for greater visibility in printing.

**Design Step 1:** This step gives your pocket the pre-quilted look, and it finishes with a triple-stitched outer edge. Select WHITE or CLEAR thread.

**Design Step 2:** The buttonhole colors should match the colors in the design and/or purse. In this design the buttonholes are the same color, but you may stitch them in separate colors.

**Design Step 3:** This satin stitched oval may be omitted if you add an outer fringe. If you do include this oval, the color may match the dominant shade in the inner design. In your edit mode, you may substitute ANY decorative stitch for the satin stitch shown in this design.

Click on "Save As..." if you **add an inside design** of your choosing to coordinate with a specific garment (or a generic design that will match many different outfits). This keeps your original basic file for future pockets with different colors and embroidery designs.

After stitching this design, remove it from the hoop and complete the pocket by finishing the outer edge or adding a fringe.

