kraft·tex™
KRAFT PAPER FABRIC
Wallet
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FINISHED SIZES:

Closed: 8″ × 4″

Open: 8″ × 8″

MATERIALS

15″ × 16″ Stone kraft•tex™

8″ × 8″ felt

3″ × 4″ clear vinyl (optional)

7″ nylon zipper

		4″ × 1″
7¾″ × 8″	3″ × 8″	4″ × 2″
		4″ × 2″
		4″ × 3″

CUTTING

Stone kraft•tex™

Cut into 2 pieces 8″ × 15″.

Subcut 1 piece 8″ × 13″ for the body.

Subcut 1 piece into the following:

- 7¾″ × 8″ for zipper pocket

- 3″ × 8″ for double card holder

- 4″ × 1″ for flap holder

- 4″ × 2″ for flap

- 4″ × 2″ for single card pocket

- 4″ × 3″ for ID frame

Felt

Trim felt to 7⅞″ × 7¾″ for wallet lining.

Vinyl

Trim vinyl to 2⅞″ × 3⅞″ for ID frame window.

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General Instructions and Hints

- When sewing with kraft•tex™, use binder clips (from an office supply store) or quilt binding clips to hold the layers together. Pins will leave perforations.

- Because the kraft•tex™ perforates (similar to vinyl), it is best not to sew back and forth in one place too many times or the material will tear. To secure the stitching at the beginning of a seam, place your presser foot and needle about ¼″ in along the seamline and then stitch *backward* to the edge. Then sew forward along the seamline.

- It is easiest to cut kraft•tex™ with a rotary cutter and cutting mat.

- Because kraft•tex™ is a paper product, it's best to keep a cutting blade and sewing machine needle dedicated to your kraft•tex™ projects.
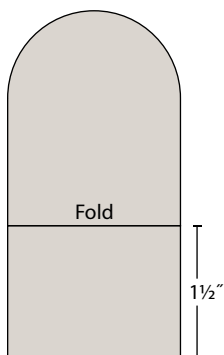
Make the Wallet Body

1. Fold the 8″ × 13″ wallet body at the fold lines indicated and topstitch across the wallet at the top and bottom.

Topstich

10″ fold line
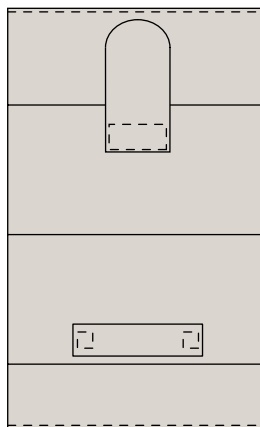
6″ fold line

2″ fold line
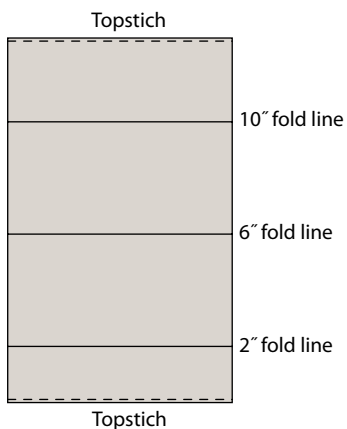
Topstich

Note: If you want to add any embellishments to the exterior of the wallet, do so at this point before adding the interior pieces.

2. Trim an end of the 2″ × 4″ flap to give it a rounded shape.

3. Topstitch around the flap and flap-holder pieces ⅛″ from the edge.

Fold

1½″

4. On the outside of the open wallet body, center the flap holder, 2″ in from each side and ½″ above the 2″ fold line. Sew the flap holder to the wallet body by stitching a ⅞″ × ⅞″ square at each end, leaving the center open.

5. Fold the flap 1½″ from the short, square end. On the outside of the open wallet body, center the flap 3″ from each side and 1⅜″ below the 10″ fold line. Sew the end of the flap to the wallet body by stitching a ¾″ × 1¾″ rectangle.

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Make the Zipper Pocket

1. Fold the 8″ × 7¾″ zipper pocket in half lengthwise, wrong sides together, into a rectangle 8″ × 3⅞″.

2. Unfold. On the wrong side of the zipper pocket, use a pencil to mark a 5″ × ⅜″ rectangle 1½″ from each side edge and ½″ below the fold line. Neatly cut out the rectangle to create a window for the zipper.
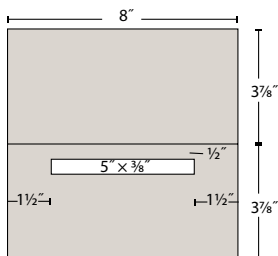
3. Place the zipper-pocket window over the zipper so that the zipper stop is at one end of the opening. Topstitch around the zipper opening, using a zipper foot if necessary and moving the zipper pull out of the way as needed. If desired, use a glue stick to put a small amount of glue along the outer zipper-tape edge to help hold it in place while you sew.

Make the ID Card Frame

1. Mark and cut out a 2″ × 3″ rectangle from the center of the ID frame, leaving a ½″ border.

2. Center the vinyl piece behind the ID frame with a 3⅞″ edge flush with a 4″ edge. Topstitch along this edge and around the inside-frame edge.

Assemble the Wallet

1. Topstitch ⅛″ from the edge on a 4″ edge of the single 2″ × 4″ card pocket piece and a 8″ edge of the double 3″ × 8″ card pocket pieces.

2. On the 3″ section of the wallet body (the section above the 10″ fold line), place the ID card frame on the left and the single 2″ × 4″ card pocket on the right, lining up the bottom edge (the edge without the topstitching) just above the 10″ fold line. If needed, trim the pieces so they fit neatly. Clip to hold in place and topstitch as indicated, making sure that the flap does not get caught in the stitching.
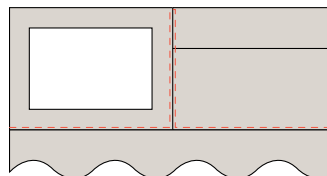
3. Fold the 2″ section of the wallet body inside and place the double 3″ × 8″ card holder inside this fold with the topstitched edge at the top. Clip the double card holder and the 2″ section together at the sides and unfold. Lightly mark the centerline to divide the pocket, and topstitch along the bottom and the center.
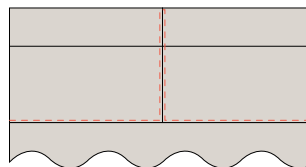
4. Glue the felt piece onto the inside of the wallet-body piece, centered between the 2″ fold and the 3″ fold.

5. Fold the ID / card holder edge of the wallet inside and place the zipper pocket inside this fold. If needed, trim the bottom edge and sides of the zipper pocket so that it fits neatly inside. Clip in place. Fold the double card holder edge of the wallet inside and clip in place. Topstitch all the way around wallet, ⅛″ from outside edge.

6. Fold the wallet closed and tuck the flap into the flap holder.

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