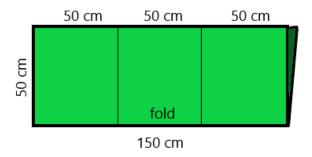
## **Earth Day Serger-Made Grocery Bags**

I received 1 meter of "Craft Fun" fabric at no charge to me, from Fabricville for this project, thank you. (Product # YY072)

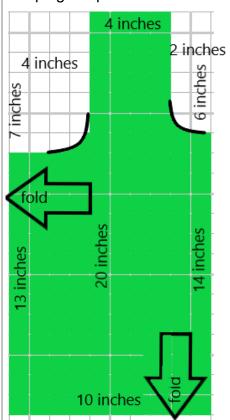
1 meter was perfect to make 3 grocery bags, and here's how I did it:

Open out the fabric to a single layer, then refold it cross-ways so it looks like the diagram.



Cut into 3 pieces, approximately 50 cm in width. Square up the top edge if needed, then set 2 pieces aside for now.

Keeping the piece folded at the bottom, fold it



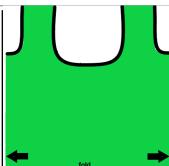
vertically so the fold is at the left and the right hand edges are even.

Draw the cutting lines on the fabric following my diagram. (I used a cup to create the rounded areas.)

Cut out the areas shown in white through all layers.

Set up your serger for a 4 thread overlock, and use it to edge-finish

around the handles with the right side up. I used a decorative thread in my upper looper and wanted it to show on the right side.



Refold with wrong sides together.

Measure up 2 inches (5 cm) from the bottom on each side and pin through both layers to secure. (at the arrows)



Refold from the pins, with right sides together.

Serge both side seams, leaving long thread tails for reinforcement. (These seams need to be strong)



The handle tops are sewn by placing them right sides together, then folding each in half vertically, before serging through all layers. Turn right sides

out after securing the serger thread tails.

And make 2 more.
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