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Design Inspiration

This bag was designed for the “Anything Goes Handbags and Miniature Quilt Quest”, which is sponsored by Robert Kaufman Fabrics and requires the use of any fabrics in their line. The beautiful co-ordinated Japanese prints inspired the design reminiscent of an oriental screen.

Fabrics

100% cotton by Quiltgate Fabrics.

Embellishments

Sashiko quilting, machine-guided grid quilting, free-motion echo quilting, piping.

Patterns

Original design.

Special Sewing Techniques

The body of the bag is sashiko quilted from the wrong side by using a metallic thread in the bobbin. The circle motifs have trapunto flowers surrounded by free-motion echo quilting. The circles are appliqued by first finishing the edges with piping and then stitching in the ditch to attach them to the body of the bag. The inside of the bag is finished with a zippered pocket and has zippered flaps to provide a secure closure.

Exhibitions

Sadly, this piece was lost in Los Angeles on its way to Kaufman Fabrics. It was delivered to the wrong address and never recovered.