



KNITTING BAG CORDULA

Instructions and Pattern



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1 Before you start..

I'm happy that you downloaded this pattern and want to sew the Cordula Knitting Bag. Sewing Cordula is fast and easy.

Cordula is a small bag that you can wear around your wrist or underarm. You can place your yarn in it, so it can easily unravel while you knit.

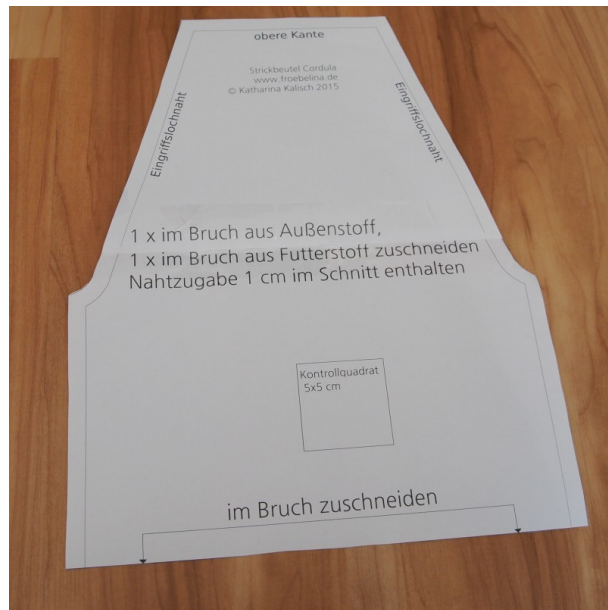
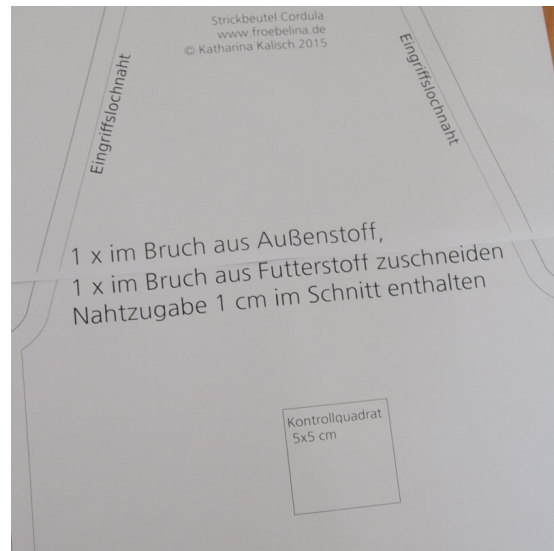
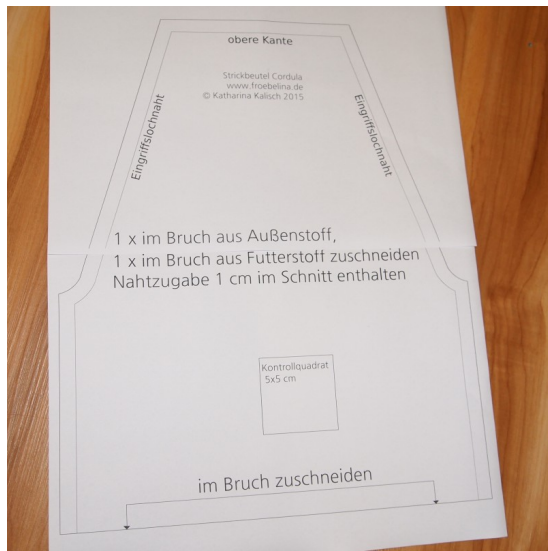
For sewing Cordula you'll need:

- **approx 80 cm fabric (115 cm wide)** it will work best if you use medium weight woven fabrics like cotton or denim. If you cut perpendicular to the grain you will only need 40 cm of fabric, but keep in mind that if your fabric print has a direction you might need to cut the pieces parallel to the grain.
- **approx 80 cm lining fabric (115 cm wide)** the same applies here. If you want your knitting bag to have the same fabric on the inside and the outside 80 cm of this fabric will be enough.
- **optional 40 cm fusible interfacing** if you want to use a lightweight fabric you might want to interface it.

1.1 Preparing the pattern

First of all you'll need to print the two pages at the end of this document. Make sure you print without scaling so that the square on the pattern measures 5×5 cm.

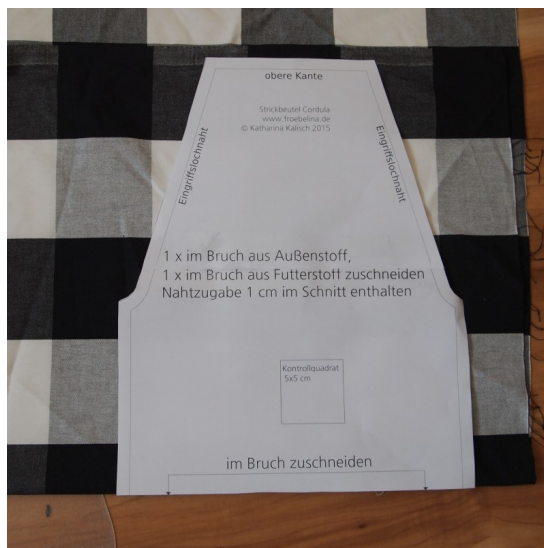
Unfortunately the pattern piece was too large to fit on one page and I didn't find a good and free program to print one A3 page on two A4 pages. That's why putting the two pages together is a little dirty, I'm sorry! To assemble the pattern piece lay one page onto the other and move the upper one until the seam lines meet. Tape the two pages together and cut the pattern piece.



2 Here we go!

2.1 Cutting

A seam allowance of 1 cm is already included in the pattern. The grey line in the pattern is the seam line.



Now you cut the bag on fold once from fabric and once from lining. The fold line is parallel to the grain (then you'll need 80 cm). In the pictures I cut perpendicular to the grain and thus only needed 40 cm of fabric.

2.2 Side seams

Fold the fabric piece right sides together along the fold line. Now sew with a seam allowance of 1 cm along the side seams from the bottom up until you reach the edge. Repeat this step for the lining piece.

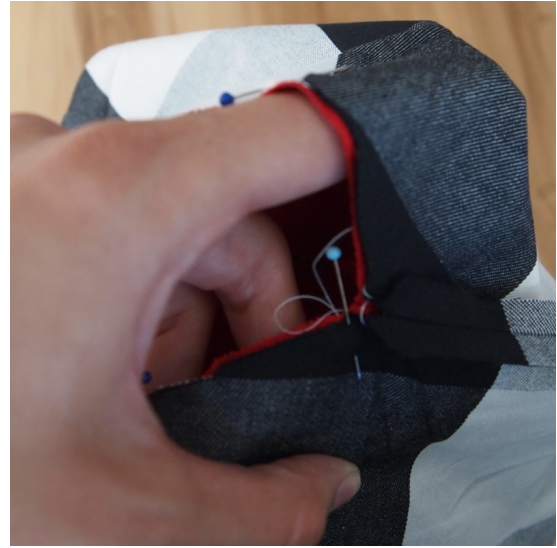


Cut the seam allowance to 0.5 cm and cut it at the fold line so that you can press the seam allowances open. Press the seam allowances open.



2.3 Arm hole seams

Turn the lining piece right sides out and put it into the fabric piece so that right sides face each other.



Pin the pieces at the arm hole seams together, be careful, that the side seams match. The upper seam stays open during this step.



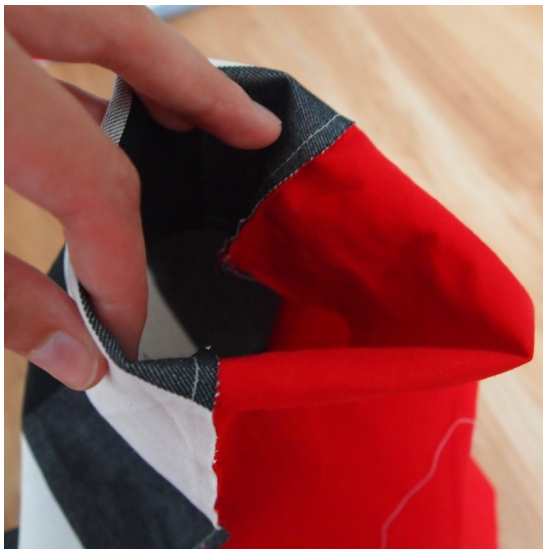
Now sew the arm hole seams with a seam allowance of 1 cm. Start at one upper seam edge and sew down to the side seams. Leaving the needle in the fabric, lift your sewing foot and turn the bag so that you can sew from the side seams up to the other upper seam edge. Like this you are sewing a 'V'.

Cut the seam allowances to 0.5 cm and clip them in the area of the side seams.



2.4 Upper seam

Now you turn the bag through one of the upper seams. You'll want to turn it to the inside so that during the turning you see the wrong side of the fabric. You stop the turning when the upper seams meet right sides together.





Now you pin the upper seam, so that fabric piece lays on fabric piece and lining piece lays on lining piece both right sides together. Make sure that the arm hole seams meet.



Now sew in the round but leave a gap in the lining, so that you can turn the whole thing inside out through this gap.

2.5 Completion

Turn the bag inside out through the gap in the lining. Now slipstitch the gap in the lining (by hand but invisible) or sew it shut with your sewing machine. Give your bag a good press and topstitch the arm hole seams.



You're done!

I hope you like your Cordula! And I hope sewing it was fun! :) I would really like to see your Cordula and link it up on my blog, so that others can see it. :)

Have fun knitting and see you next time!



3 Inspirations

Thank you to my test sewers who did a great job and helped me a lot! Here are their Cordulas:



Christiane's Cordula <http://denmanto.com/>



Brigitte's first pleather Cordula <http://punktmarie.com/>



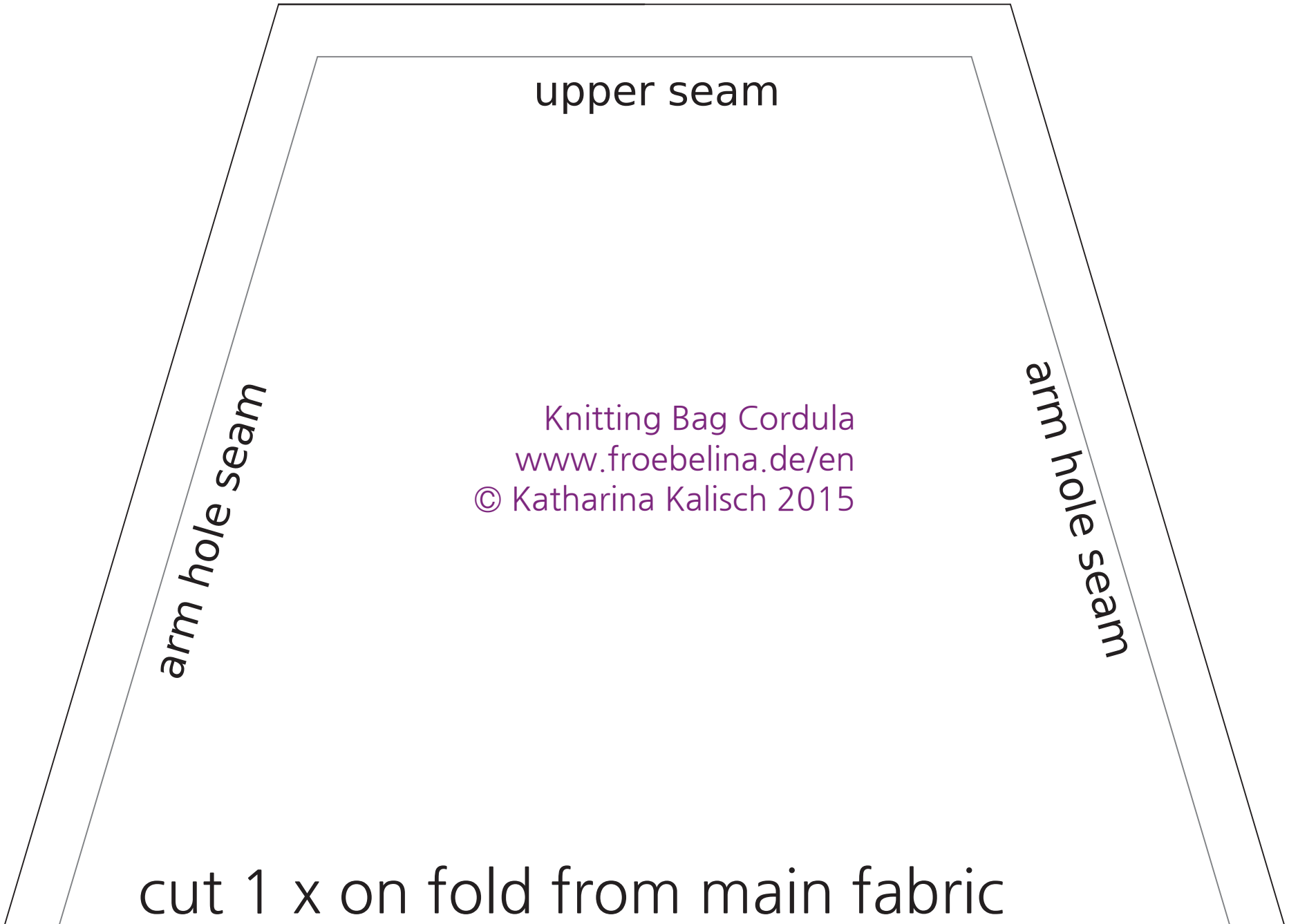
Doreen's Cordula <http://wolleliese.blogspot.de/>



Brigitte's second Cordula <http://punktmarie.com/>



Melanie's Cordulas <http://strickprinzessins-stuff.blogspot.de/>



upper seam

arm hole seam

arm hole seam

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cut 1 x on fold from main fabric

cut 1 x on fold from main fabric
cut 1 x on fold from lining
seam allowances (1 cm, 3/8") included

Test Square
5x5 cm
2x2 inches

cut on fold fabric

