

## Dear friend,

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For this lady's handbag build, I recommend using 1.2 to 1.4mm thick vegetable tanned leather (2 to 3oz). You will also want to plan a closing mechanism for your bag as well as 4 chicago screws or rivets to attach the Strap Loops to the Gussets.

#### Read the instructions fully before starting your project! Follow the video build guide: https://youtu.be/iOg8FYLY1Dk

### Instructions for use:

1. Print PDF file on A4 paper at %100 scale (check your printer settings) to ensure that your print will be at the original scale of the document - reference this with the Print Guide on the last page

2. Cut out paper template and glue the paper template to card stock. Make sure to assemble the Body top with the middle and bottom sections, as well as the Body Lining top to the middle and bottom sections - you should end up with one large panel for the Body and one large panel for the Lining, both measuring 21cm by 50cm.

3. Using cut-out template, scribe the pattern onto the leather

4. Cut leather along your scribed lines

6. Glue the Gusset Lining to the Gusset, making sure the top edges are aligned and that you have 4mm space all around the Gusset Lining

7. Stitch the Gusset Lining to the Gusset at 3mm from the edg of the Gusset Lining and burnish top edge

8. Burnish and assemble the Strap Loops inclosing a Dring then stitch them together. Punch out the holes in the Strap Loops and in the Gussets for the rivets or chicago screws you will be using to attach them together.

9. If applicable skive and fold the top edge of the Inner Pocket and stitch a rolled edge. Alternatively, burnish top edge.

10. Stitch the Inner Pocket to the Body Lining - follow indicated stitch lines as guides

11. Attach the BOTTOM closing mechanism of your choice to the Body

12. Glue the Body and Body Lining Panels together - It is important not to do this before

13. Stitch the Body and the Gussets together - depending on your preferences you may want to stitch all around the bag as shown in the video. Use indications provided on the template to line up the locations where the Gussets are stitched to the body

14. Attach the TOP closing mechanism of your choice to the body, checking it is lined up with the BOTTOM closing mechanism

15. Enjoy your new handbag for years (decades?) to come!

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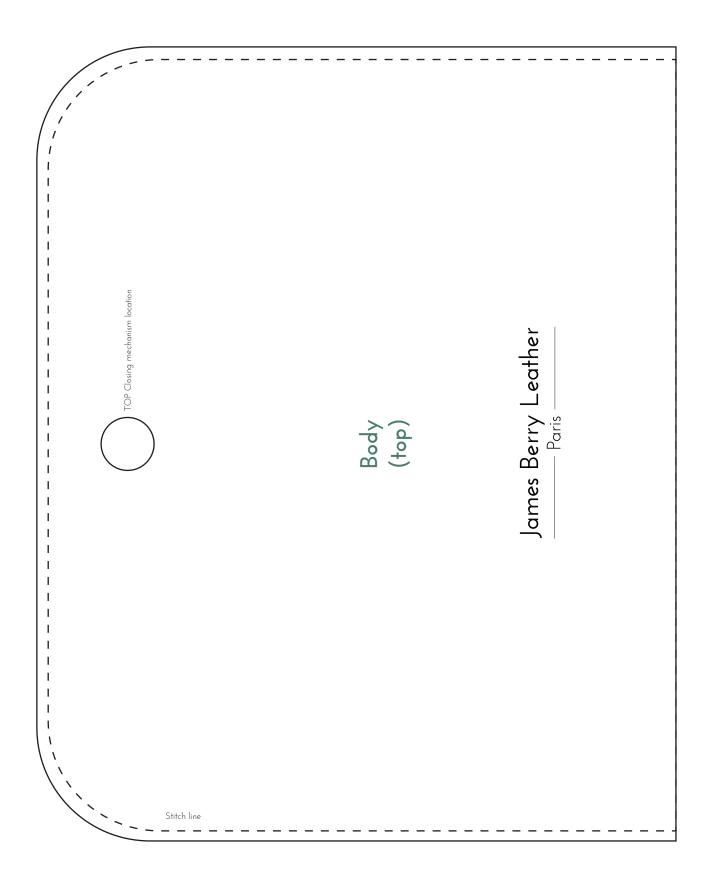
## Thank you and happy crafting!

# James Berry

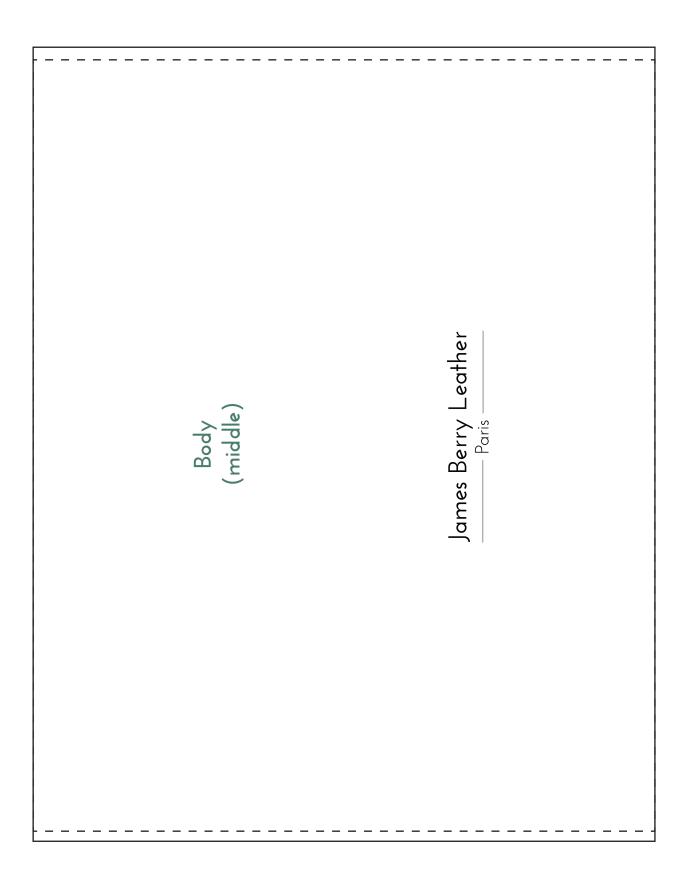
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	Stitch line	Gusset start location
Body (bottom)	BOTTOM Closing mechanism location	James Berry Leather Paris
		Gusset start location



