## Garmin 66 Case

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ВАСК		FRONT		
<b>138 x 210mm</b> 5.43 x 8.27"		<b>166 x 238mm</b> 5.43 x 8.27"		
Approximate finished size – 6 x 9.9"				
Can be made in a single hooping. If you don't want to quilt the BACK (non-zipper side) or add a design to it, you can make just the FRONT in the hoop.				
<b>Cutting Chart</b> I suggest marking each piece with the corresponding letter				
A. Back	Fabric 1	6.5 x 9.25		
B. Batting*	Fusible Fleece	e 6.5 x 9.25		
C. Linings	Fabric 3	(2) 6.5 x 9.25		
D. Front	Fabric 1 or 2	6.5 x 9.25		
<ul> <li>2 oz. cutaway stabilizer – cut to fit in the hoop, 1 or 2 pieces.</li> <li>1 - 9" Zipper: #3, nylon. Never use metal.</li> <li>Transpore tape, Dritz Wonder Tape (optional) to hold zipper</li> <li>Washable glue stick or temporary spray adhesive, quilting pins</li> <li>Embroidery and bobbin thread</li> <li>See the Links page on my website for a list of my favorite suppliers.</li> </ul>				

**Suggested fabrics:** Cottons or quilting cottons. Linings may also be made from regular lining fabric to help reduce bulk. **Batting\*:** Fusible fleece, Pellon fleece, Warm and Natural, flannel.

Batting is optional. It can give your bag a little more firmness. *If using fusible fleece, fuse it to the wrong side of BACK (A). If using regular batting, I will remind you in the instructions when to place it.* Use a thin batting or a piece of flannel.

You may find it easier to place and/or trim fabric by taking the hoop off of the machine. Always place it on a flat surface, not on your lap. This will help keep the project from shifting in the hoop.

You may add a design or monogram using your favorite software or at your machine. Add it as the last step in the Case Back, page 2.

<b>Case Back</b> Stitch only if you want to quilt the front or add a design. Skip to Front if you don't.	
	Hoop 2 oz. cutaway stabilizer. Load the file Garmin66_BACK into your machine.
1	Place the hoop on the machine. Stitch <b>Color #1</b> , the placement outline.
2A	Place optional BATTING (B) over the placement lines, covering all stitching.
28	Place BACK (A) FACE UP over the placement lines. Tape/pin edges in place.
2C	Stitch Color #2, tacking down the fabric to the stabilizer.
3	Stitch Color # 3, the optional quilting pattern.
4	Stitch your design here. This turns the "back" into the "front".
5	Remove the hoop from the machine. Remove the project from the hoop. Remove tape/pins.
6	Cut away excess fabric and stabilizer from outside the <b>rectangular</b> stitching, leaving approximately $\frac{1}{2}$ " extra fabric on all sides.
7	Lay the <b>BACK</b> to one side and continue with the <b>Front,</b> next page.

	Case Front (Zipper Side)	
	Hoop 2 oz. cutaway stabilizer. Do <b>NOT</b> use polymesh or tearaway. Load to <b>Garmin66_FRNT</b> into your machine. <i>If using a custom zipper pattern, the will replace the word FRONT</i> – <b>Garmin66_Bubble</b> e.g	
1	Place the hoop on the machine. <b>Stitch Color #1</b> , the placement outline.	
2A	Remove the hoop from the machine <b>turning it over to the BACK</b> . Place	e it on a flat surface.
2B	Center one LINING (C) FACE UP over the placement lines, covering all stitching. Use kids glue stick, temporary spray adhesive, or masking tape to hold the lining in place. Tape/pin edges in place.	C
2C	Turn the hoop over to the <b>FRONT</b> and place it on a flat surface.	
2D	Center <b>FRONT (D) FACE UP</b> over the placement lines, covering all stitching. Tape/pin edges in place.	D
2E	Return the hoop to the machine. Make sure that the lining is still laying smooth underneath the hoop. <b>Stitch Color #2,</b> tacking the FRONT and LINING pieces in place and creating the placement stitches for the zipper.	

3	Stitch Color #3, the optional quilting pattern.		
4A	Remove the hoop from the machine. Place it <b>RIGHT SIDE UP</b> on a flat surface.		
4B	Carefully trim away the fabric inside the smaller rectangle in the zipper placement area. Do <b>NOT</b> trim into the stabilizer. You need it in there to help keep the zipper from shifting as it is stitched.		
4C	Turn the hoop over to the <b>BACK</b> and place it on a flat surface.		
4D	Carefully trim away the <b>lining</b> fabric from inside the smaller rectangle inside the zipper placement stitching. Do <b>NOT</b> trim into the stabilizer. You need it in there to help keep the zipper from shifting as it is stitched.		
4E	<b>DO NOT</b> put the zipper down yet! Return the hoop to the machine. <b>Stitch Color #4,</b> a zigzag stitching that covers the raw edges of the zipper opening.		
5A	Remove the hoop from the machine. Place it <b>RIGHT SIDE UP</b> on a flat surface.		
5B	<ul> <li>Place the zipper FACE UP, over the trimmed opening, centering the long edges between the outer placement stitching lines. Not all zippers are the same width. It is up to you to get it centered and straight.</li> <li>You may place the tab at either end. My preference is the top (vertical hoop) or left (horizontal hoop). Place the tab and the metal stop at the end of the zipper well outside the stitching lines so the foot and needle will not hit them.</li> <li>Use strips of transpore or scotch tape to hold the zipper in place along both long sides, catching just the edge. You may use Dritz Wonder Tape on the back of the zipper instead, if you prefer.</li> <li>Tape down the zipper pull tab so it points away from the purse.</li> </ul>		
	Return the hoop to the machine. <b>Stitch Color #5</b> , the decorative stitching on the zipper.		
5C	Stop the machine at the end of the straight tack-down run. Remove all of the scotch tape before starting the fancy stitch.		
6A	Remove the hoop from the machine. Place it <b>RIGHT SIDE UP</b> on a flat surface.		

6B	OPEN THE ZIPPER HALFWAY! DO NOT SKIP THIS STEP!
	Take a sharp pair of scissors and poke a small hole through the stabilizer showing in the zipper opening. This will make it easier to trim the backing away later.
6C	Center the <b>BACK (A) FACE DOWN</b> over the <b>FRONT</b> . Match the 4 corners on both pieces as closely as possible. If you did not apply fusible fleece to the back of the fabric, and wish to use a batting, center it over the BACK. Tape/pin edges in place.
6D	Place the remaining LINING (C) FACE UP over the project in the hoop, covering the outer stitching lines.       Image: C         Tape/pin in place.       C         Want to see how I match the pieces up perfectly? Visit my blog at <a href="http://tinyurl.com/PW-PutTogether">http://tinyurl.com/PW-PutTogether</a>
6E	Return the hoop to the machine. <b>Stitch Color #6.</b> <i>I usually match the thread to the outside fabric, not the lining so it isn't seen on the edges once the bag it turned right side out.</i>
NOTE	It will go around once with a basting stitch. You can stop the machine if necessary and easily remove this round of stitches if you get a pucker or the fabric shifts. The second and third rounds of stitching are a regular length sewing stitch.
7	Remove the hoop from the machine and the project from the hoop. Remove tape/pins.
8	<b>One last time, check that the zipper is open halfway.</b> It is too late to fix it after you trim! If you forgot to open it, carefully open the seam; push the zipper pull through to the inside. Stitch the case shut on your regular sewing machine.

9	Trim away all excess fabric and stabilizer trimming as closely as you can to the zigzag stitching without cutting thru it. Cut right thru the zipper but don't use your best shears! Take this slowly. You may need to do it in several layers. The narrower your seam allowance, the better your curved seams will look without having to clip them.
10	Trim away the excess stabilizer from the back of the zipper, starting in the slit you cut in the stabilizer earlier. Be very careful not to cut the zipper tape and don't snip any of the decorative stitches. <i>Tip</i> : <i>Find the zipper tab and push the point of your scissors or a seam ripper in at that point. It will protect your zipper tape from an accidental slit.</i>
11	Steam press the stitching lines to set the seam. Use a pressing cloth if necessary to protect the fabric and zipper.
12	<b>Open the zipper the whole way. Tip</b> : If the zipper won't move, reach in and flip the tab upward. The zipper is locked when the tab is pointed down. It sometimes helps to push the zipper closed a bit and then push it open.
13	Turn the case thru the opening in the zipper. Use a point turner to help turn the case and push the edges of the seams outward.
14	Steam press the case being very careful not to melt the zipper. Use a pressing cloth to protect the fabric and zippers.