



Making notes

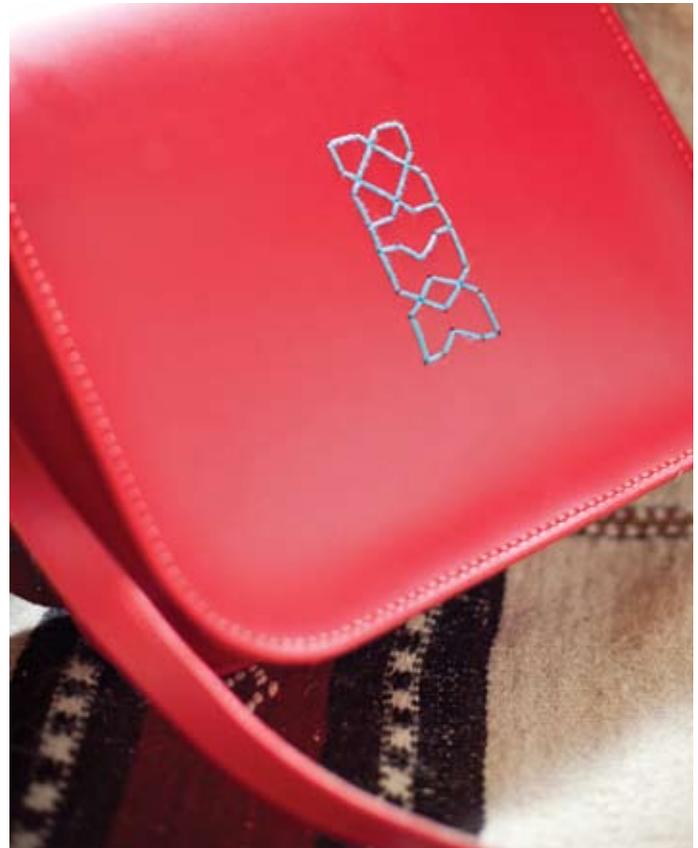
Resources

Monet messenger bag kit and leather punch: www.simpleway.co.uk

Perle embroidery thread by Anchor: www.coatscrafts.co.uk

Trellis leather bag

NORTH AFRICAN TILES INSPIRED THIS TRELLIS MOTIF, PERSONALISING A PRACTICAL, STURDY LEATHER BAG FOR A TOUCH OF THE KASBAH. BY JEMIMA SCHLEE



You will need:

Monet messenger bag kit
Embroidery needle
Turquoise embroidery thread
Scissors
R6 leather punch
Hammer
Masking tape
Scalpel
Cutting mat
Measuring tape or ruler

1. Print out the trellis template (p82) so that it measures 27cm x 18cm. Using small strips of masking tape, attach it to the front surface of the front flap of the bag, ensuring that it is positioned within a couple of millimetres around both sides and the bottom edge. Trim the excess bottom two corners off with a scalpel following the curve of the leather.
2. Using the R6 punch and a hammer, work methodically across the template punching holes through it and the leather at each dot.
3. Unpeel the masking tape and remove the template. Check your punched holes and re-work any which do not go completely through the thickness of the leather.
4. Double-threading your needle with the embroidery thread, follow the trellis pattern from the template until the design is complete.
5. Centre the motif highlighted in pink on the template on the back panel of the bag 7cm from the bottom edge and stitch as in step 4.
6. Follow the kit instructions, sew the bag parts together to complete your bag.

Simple Way is offering all *Making* readers 10% off the Monet messenger bag kit (RRP £36), at the offer price of £32.40 plus postage at £4.50 per order. To claim your discount quote **MMO/2/13** upon purchase.

Simple Way competition

Simple Way is offering a £50 product voucher prize for the best customised Monet bag. E-mail us a photo of your finished bag to making@thegmcgroup.com, plus your full name and postal address to enter. The competition closes 28 February 2013. See News page for more information.

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