

# Sunshine Purse



Bring a little sunshine into your life with this bright, cheery purse featuring paper-piecing and embellishment techniques.

## Supplies

- “Chloe Purse” pattern by Lazy Girl Designs
- Handle (additional rings are necessary for the handle shown)
- Three fat quarters:
  - 1 for cover
  - 1 for lining
  - 1 for pockets
- Coordinating 3” strips of fabric in red, orange, and yellow for sunshine “rays”
- 12½ x 16½” rectangle of batting
- Machine needles (80/12 Sharps)
- Neutral thread for piecing and construction
- Assorted decorative threads, cords, and yarns for couching
- Accessory Feet:
  - Clear Foot #34/34C
  - Automatic Buttonhole Foot #3A/3C
  - Clear Applique Foot #23
  - Walking Foot with Guides #50
  - BERNINA Stitch Regulator (*aurora* 440 only)

## Machine Set-Up

- Insert a fresh needle
- Wind bobbin with neutral thread
- Insert bobbin in machine
- Thread needle with neutral thread
- Select straight stitch, SL 2.0
- Attach Clear Foot #34/34C

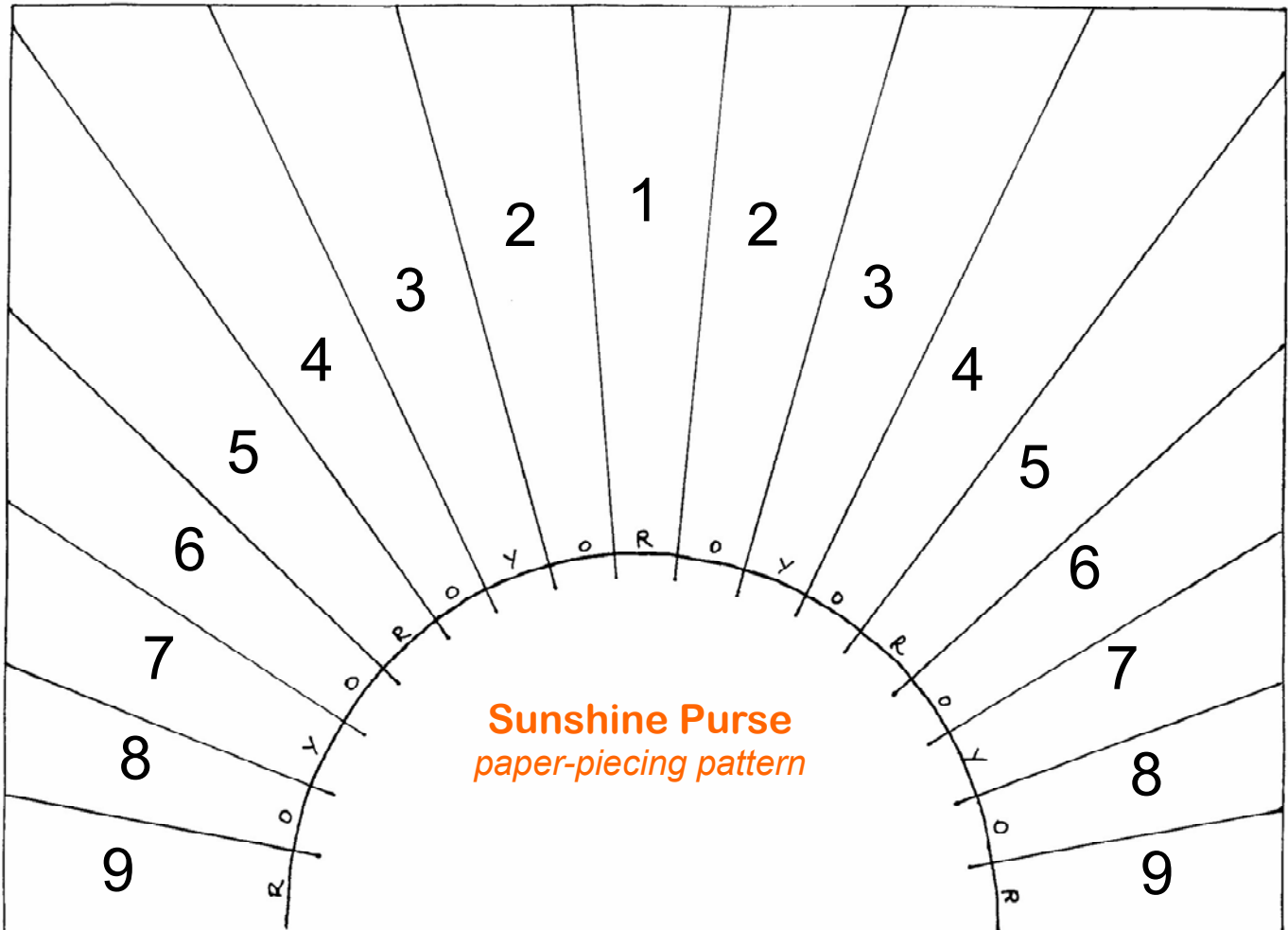


### Purse Construction

- Trace or photocopy the pattern on page 3. Trace the center of the sun on a piece of Steam-a-Seam 2.
- Cut red, orange, and yellow fabrics into 3" strips.
- Paper piece the rays of the sun. Begin by placing a rectangle of red over the center ray (#1).
- Attach an orange (#2) strip to each side of the center red strip.
- Add a yellow (#3) strip to each side.
- Add orange strips (#4). Continue adding strips until all rays are pieced.
- Remove paper pattern from back of rays. Completed piece is 7" wide x 5" tall.
- Stitch 3½" x 5" rectangles of fabric to the sides of the finished block to make the piece measure 12½" wide.
- Stitch a 1½" x 12½" rectangle of fabric to the upper edge of the panel.
- Stitch a 10½" x 12½" rectangle of fabric to the lower edge of the panel, matching the outer edges of the panel and keeping the pieced rays "square."
- Center panel on a 12½" x 16½" piece of batting; pin in place.
- Remove the paper backing from the Steam-a-Seam 2; fuse to red fabric. Cut along drawn lines. Remove remaining paper backing; position and fuse into place. Applique in position.
- Embellish rays with decorative stitches and embellishment techniques as desired.  
*TIP: For detailed information on suitable techniques, see prj0079, "aurora Sunshine Quilt."*



Once the sunshine block is completed, construct the purse following the directions included with the "Chloe Purse" pattern.



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