## Southwest Costumers Guild

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The Southwest Costumers Guild is a society for those who love all facets of costume; making, wearing, photographing, researching, etc.

SWCG is central Arizona's chapter of the International Costume Guild (<u>www.costume.org</u>) Our members are active participants in SF conventions, street fairs and reenactment societies.

Members receive our newsletter, "Cactus Needles." Visit our website to view back issues.

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This pattern costumes. fabric should

will make a simple belt pouch suitable for medieval, renaissance, Use heavy twill, poplin, duck, corduroy, or garment weight leather. be enough.

and highland 1/3 yard of

There are Belt Loop about 16 few inches four basic parts to this pattern: Back/Flap, Front, Belt Loop, and Side. The Back/Flap, are shown on top of each other to save space. The Side is a rectangle 1 to 2 inches inches long. (See illustration at lower left). You'll also want a button, snap, or other of grosgrain ribbon or bias tape.

> right sides pencil. Use a easiest way to lay

Front, and

wide and

clasp and a

Copy your together. Set single thickness out the Side strip.

pattern pieces to new paper. Cut them out. Fold your fabric over and lay it out your pattern pieces down on your fabric and trace around them with chalk or of fabric to make the Side. Tracing down both sides of a vardstick is the

Do not cut out your around the Back Belt Loop, but

pieces yet. Sew through the chalk line around the three sides of portion of this piece. Sew through the chalk line around the leave the straight top unsewn.

the Flap, but not sides of the curved

seam

Cut out all of the allowance.

pieces. Cut about 1/4 inch outside of the chalk lines to create

Turn the Turn of the

rightside out and stitch all around the Flap and Back so it the Belt Loop rightside out and stitch all around so it is nice and flat. sides face outward. front so the right

lays nice and flat. Turn the two pieces

a 1/4 inch

the Belt Loop to the Sew

Flap

Back in the same position shown on the pattern.

Sew the

the Side strip to the top of the Front and curved sides of the Front panel. Trim off the Side strip by applying grosgrain ribbon or

excess at the ends. Finish bias tape.

Sew the other edge of the Side strip Turn the pouch rightside out so

to the raw edge of the Back the Belt Loop is on

panel, right sides together. the outside.

Sew a buttonhole in the Flap. Sew a button to the Front panel.

Alternatively, you can apply snaps or some clever clasp.

Pouch is finished!

Flap **Back** 

Front

Side Belt

