

Make Your Own T-Shirt Tote Bag!

You Will Need:

-Heavy weight cotton T-shirt
- Dinner Plate

~ 3- 5 Straight Pins
-Scissors

- Pencil or pen
- Sewing machine

Directions:

- 1.) Choose an old t-shirt (*heavy weight works best*) and smooth it flat on a table. Use scissors to cut and remove the sleeves---*make sure you leave the seam in place*—*this keeps your tote strong!*
2. A.) Position a plate about halfway over the neck opening of the shirt. Trace the plate with your pencil or pen. This will be your cutting line to create the opening for your tote bag.
2. B.) Cut along the traced line with the scissors.
- 3.) Turn the T-shirt inside out and pin the bottom of the T-shirt-- *along the hem*--- closed.
- 4.) Use the sewing machine to sew the bottom of T-shirt hem closed. Reinforce your tote bag by sewing over this seam a second time!
- 5.) Turn the shirt right- side- out...**YOU** just made your own recycled tote bag!
Fill it with groceries, gym clothes, library books, etc! Keep one handy in your car!

T-shirt Totes are Reusable and Strong. Wash & Dry...Use Again & Again!



Step 1



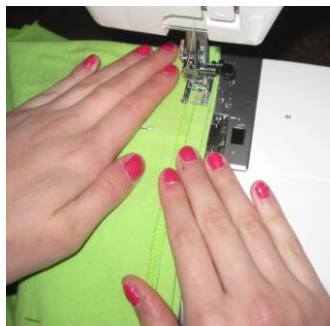
Step 2A



Step 2B



Step 3



Step 4



Step 5

Just say NO to “paper or plastic”!

Re-Purpose an old T-shirt into a Recycled Tote Today!

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