

How to Make No-Sew T-shirt Bag Tutorial

Here's what you need:

- an old t-shirt
- scissors

Though you can do this with any t-shirt, the thicker the t-shirt fabric, the stronger the bag will be. Just be careful that you don't choose a t-shirt that has been worn threadbare!



My husband accidentally exploded a pen all over this shirt.... so he couldn't wear it anymore. **But it's perfect for a t-shirt tote!**

Start by cutting the sleeves off of the shirt.



Next cut out the neck of the shirt. Instead of cutting the neck exactly around the stitching, you can cut a little bit lower down into the shirt so that the opening of your tote bag is large enough to get stuff inside.



The last step is to cut a fringe and tie up the bottom! First, decide how long you want the bag to be. Remember, as you use it the fabric will stretch out a bit, so it might be too long if you use the full length of the t-shirt.

For this bag I cut the hem off of the t-shirt, then I cut the fringe up about 3". The longer you cut the fringe, the shorter the bag.

Make sure your fringes are about 3/4" wide and that you're cutting through both the top and bottom layers of the t-shirt as you go.



Then start tying your fringes together. As you tie them together the fringes will help close up the bottom of the bag, but there will be holes between each set of tied fringes.

To fix this, just lay out your tied fringes as shown in the photo below (*one fringe going up out of the knot and one fringe going down out of the knot*), then tie the “top” fringe from one pair to the “bottom” fringe from the pair next to it. This will close up those gaps between the pairs of fringes.



It should look something like this once you have closed the gaps.



Just keep tying pairs of fringes together, then tying the top fringe from one pair to the bottom fringe of the next pair to close the gaps. Once all your fringes are tied and all your gaps are closed, you're done!