

Learn to Sew Pattern: Trash Bag Holder from Repurposed Fabric

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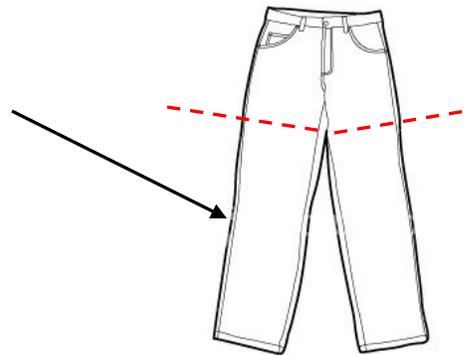
Materials:

- Pant leg or 1/2 yd of used fabric (table cloths, sheets, etc. work great too!)
- Elastic, Ribbon, Chord or String 1 1/2 yds.
- Thread
- Scissors
- Safety Pin or Bodkin

Step 1: If using a pant leg, make sure it's from an **adult size** pair of pants that is straight leg (piped). Cut the leg evenly from just under the crotch across.

* **If using scrap fabric, cut a section that is 18" x 45" and go to Page 2.**

** Cut string or chord for top and bottom in half to measure 27" each. If elastic you won't need as much.



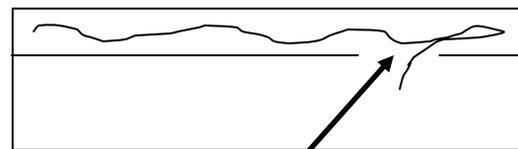
* *Make a holder for a friend w/the other leg and from the top part, make a great tote or purse!*

Step 2: From pants leg, roll the top of the pant leg down 1/4" inch. Press in place around. Roll another 3/4" inch down, press and pin. Stitch about 1/8" from the edge, leaving enough room in the seam to slide a safety pin and chord through. Tie off. This is the top casing.

** Repeat for the bottom of the leg.

** With one piece of chord, attach to safety or bodkin and work through casing to meet other end. Tie or stitch chord closed.

*** The bottom should only be pulled tight enough to allow plastic bags to be pulled through. Tuck extra chord, string into opening to hide. Load the top with bags, pull closed and hang with length of ribbon or chord leftover. You now have your own handy bag holder!



Slide ribbon, etc through opening all

See page 2 for instructions from fabric.



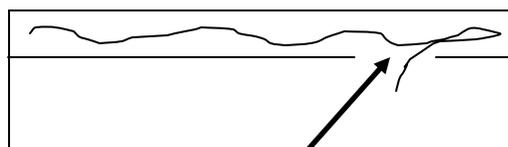
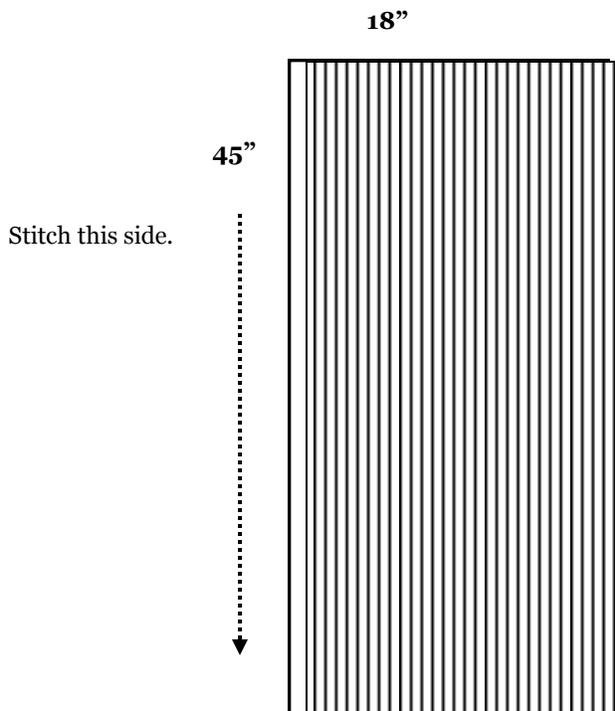
Step 1: After cutting fabric to 18x45, fold fabric right sides together lengthwise (long sides together)

Step 2: Stitch long side together in 5/8" seam. Trim threads. Press seam to one side.

Step 3: Make casing by fold top and bottom down 1/4". Press. Fold again 3/4". Press, pin. Stitch 1/8" seam close to edge, leaving opening for chord or ribbon to go through.

Step 4: Insert ribbon into opening, draw through to meet other end. Tie or stitch chord/ribbon closed.

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A few extra tips:

- If you want a bag holder for your car, use a child's pair of pants and make one for your friend!
- Small holders are perfect for pet owners to hold walking bags for parks, etc.
- Scrap fabrics can be obtained from old sheets, a tablecloth, or scraps all sewn together to make a patchwork art holder!
- Elastic can be used on the bottom instead of ribbon or chord. Sew casing the same and insert elastic instead of ribbon or chord.

If you have any questions on instructions in this free pattern, email me sher@daydreemz.net These are made to help beginners learn a new technique with each pattern. Have a great day sewing!

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