



## Upcycling 202: Patchwork Tote Bag Advanced Beginner

Sustainability in our lives is an important concern today. One aspect of this involves extending garment life and diverting textile waste from landfills, which conserves resources, reduces pollution, and lowers carbon emissions. The act of creating something new out of something old can be a rewarding and creative experience. We will be creating a unique tote bag made out of recycled garments.

You will need a few old garments to cut up and use as fabric for this project. Old jeans and cargo pants work well for this project, but any heavy weight woven garment will be workable. If you do not have old garments to upcycle already in your stash, consider rescuing some from a secondhand shop.

**Upcycling** the process of reusing discarded objects or materials in such a way as to create a product of higher quality or value than the original.

*Prerequisite: Sewing 101 or equivalent experience.*

### SUPPLY LIST FOR CLASS

- 2-3 heavy weight woven garments (jeans/cargo pants/jackets) to cut up and use as fabric.
  - It is best to choose garments of similar weight and in colors that you like together
  - Clothing **MUST** be clean! Dirty clothes will not be worked on.
- Matching sewing thread – heavy weight/top stitching weight
- Size 14 or 16 denim sewing machine needle
- 1 skein of Sashiko thread
- Sashiko hand sewing needle

*You will receive a 20% discount on your class supplies when you show your registration receipt.*



## CLASS POLICIES

We look forward to seeing you in class! To ensure that your class experience is enjoyable and educational, please read the following policies.

If you have questions, please email Erin at [erin@pacificfabrics.com](mailto:erin@pacificfabrics.com).

Our elevator is available Tuesday through Friday 10:00 am - 2:30 pm only.

**Cancellations and Refunds:** Class fees are non-refundable unless the class is cancelled by the store. Classes may be cancelled if we do not have a minimum number of enrollments 48 hours prior to the beginning date of the class. You will be notified by phone if a class is cancelled, and your class fee will be refunded. Refunds are not given in the case of student cancellation, but if you have paid for a class and are unable to attend, you may send a friend in your place. Please tell us the name of the friend taking your place prior to class. If you are unable to send a friend in your place, your class fees will be forfeited. If you have questions or are unsure if you are registering for the correct class, please email Erin at [erin@pacificfabrics.com](mailto:erin@pacificfabrics.com).

**Supplies:** Unless otherwise noted in the class description, supplies are not included in the class fee. Please purchase class supplies in advance at our store. The Class Supply List is available online on the calendar item for each class. Please download and print the list when you register. You will receive a 20% discount on your class supplies when you show your registration receipt in store at the register while checking out.

**Sewing Machines:** If bringing your own machine, make sure your machine is in good working order, and you are familiar with using it before class. Let us know when you register if you would like to use a classroom machine.

**Children and Pets:** Children are not allowed in the classroom unless they are attending as a student in a class offered for children and may not be left unattended in the store.

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while you are in class. Pets are not allowed in the classroom or store, service animals are allowed while they are working.

**Recordings and Photos:** Photos, videos and/or recording are not allowed in classrooms without prior approval from the instructor.