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The tote bag in its humblest form is a simple rectangular bag with two handles, but the possibilities offered by the style are limitless. This colorful book guides the reader through all the possible incarnations of the tote bag, from children's bags and simple grocery totes to stylish shoulder bags in contemporary fabrics, with patterns ranging from the fun to the functional. With more than 30 projects complete with colorful photos and full-size patterns, this book imparts lots of useful tips to help you achieve a truly professional finish. Techniques cover all the basics of machine sewing and finishing, from straight seams to topstitching, as well as detailed instructions on the specifics of bag construction, handle making, patch and zipped pockets, and interlining. And the styles in this book range from appliqué to stenciled designs using fabric paint, giving you the freedom to design the tote-ally amazing bag of your dreams!

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Judie Dooley says

I won this book on good reads. Thank you for picking me. Let me say I have looked through this book, but will never be finished with it. it contains beautiful colorful pictures of 30 amazing and easy bags to make, complete with directions and full sized patterns. I haven't sewn since my kids were small, but really want to get back to it. One of my daughters gave me a sewing machine for Christmas, and I showed her this book. She looked at it and picked out a bag that she wants. I guess that will be the first one I'll make. Thank you again.

I'd recommend this book to any who is interested in sewing or crafty stuff. I'm sure you'll like it as much as I do.

BBMoreB ~ says

I was very excited to receive this book.

This book has some great inspirational patterns within it's covers. I love that so many of the techniques are interchangeable.

My projects so far:

Kanzashi Flower Corages (pgs 38-39) - I made several of these and attached them to multiple different projects including hair accessories, added them to a baby dress and sock set. Never used them on a tote did attach one to a knitted hat.

Reverse-Applique Tote (pgs 26-27) - Made this for a co-workers daughter who went of college this summer. Took a few of her old high school t-shirts for the circles. Just a little something to remind her of home on those long days away.

Changing Bag (pgs 62-67) - These are nice to make (and have on hand) for those surprise baby showers that just seem to keep happening. I made 2 changing pads with each bag - coordinating the colors. I find it is nice to have an extra for the REALLY messy changes.

Slouchy Shoulder Bag (pg 90-94) - Not really impressed with how this one turned out. Might try again with different stitching.

Looking forward to making several more projects from this amazing book.

Disclosure: This book was provided to me free of charge by the publisher for the sole purpose of an honest review. All thoughts, comments, and ratings are my own.

Zwart Raafje says

Twee voordelen van dit boek vielen me meteen op. Langs de buitenkant lijkt het een gewoon boek, maar aan de binnenkant is het een vaste ringmap waardoor je het boek probleemloos open naast je naaimachine op tafel kan leggen zonder de rug te beschadigen. Bovendien bevinden de patronen zich in een envelop die aan de binnenkant van de voorkaft is bevestigd. Op die manier heb je je patronen altijd bij je én moet je al heel moeite doen om er één te verliezen.

Ik ben een heel onzeker iemand en moet bekennen dat 'Oei, dat is wel veel uitleg' mijn eerste reactie was toen ik het boek doorbladerde. Het is echter een ingroeiboek en niemand zegt dat je als beginner meteen zo'n complexere handtas moet uitproberen. Gek eigenlijk dat ik steeds denk dat ik moet lopen nog voor ik kan stappen. Zelf ben ik immers één van de beginnende naaisters. Het afgelopen jaar heb ik al een aantal naailessen gevolgd maar tot nu toe is naaien nog steeds niet vanzelfsprekend voor voor me. De ervaring waar gevorderden over beschikken is bij mij nog ver zoek.

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Mijn volledige recensie kan je hier terugvinden.

Samantha says

I won this book through Goodreads First Reads.

So, I listed it as read, but I didn't actually read it. It's a craft book, showing you how to make tote bags with materials I definitely don't have. But, I skimmed through it a bit, and it seemed great! They even had this cut-out thingy, and it looked cool. I'm interested in making a bunch of the tote bags too! I won this book from a giveaway. The first thing I've ever won in my life! I was so excited! Except it took 4-6 weeks to get here. I took a star off for that.

You didn't really expect me to give it a 5-star review if I haven't even read it, did you?

The book was looked very colorful, bright, and engaging. The squealed like a kid. I may be 13, but I'm a very mature 13 year old. I *don't* squeal like a kid. Ever. Anyway, it looked very cool!

Sharon says

I won a copy of Tote-ally Amazing Bags through a Goodreads First Reads giveaway. This book includes 30 quick and easy bags to make, including full sized pattern sheets and a spiral binder for easy layout of the book. There are great instructions on subjects such as using patterns, having the right tools and materials, and finishing seams. With each tote bag, there is a complete materials list including sizing of each piece of material, as well as excellent tips and photos detailing each step. I wish, however, that the author had included a difficulty rating for each tote bag, as it is clear there are different experience levels necessary for success. If you like tote bags and want to try your hand at making one, this is definitely the book for you.

Stephanie says

awesome can't wait to start doing this with friends

Karen Thompson says

This is a well-thought out and creative craft book. The pattern, colorful pictures, step-by-step instructions were all easy to use and understand. The variety and different possibilities amazed me. Provided this to my niece who is eager to create many of them. Well done!
