

Linen Bread Bag

Make a linen bread bag to store your homemade bread in an eco-friendly way. It takes just one hour.



You'll need:

1 piece linen fabric 24" x 32" (or a linen tea towel)

1 spool thread

1 piece cord for the drawstring closure 33" long (see below how to make your own)

Scissors

Measuring tape

Pins

Safety pin

Ruler (optional)

Fabric marker or pencil

Sewing machine

Instructions:

Cut the fabric: If you're using a tea towel, I recommend folding it in half (the short way, not the long way). If you are using fabric by the yard, I also recommend folding it so that you have two layers. Mark a rectangle of 23" x 31". If you're using a kitchen towel you might like to use one of the finished sides so you don't have to secure it with a zig-zag stitch or overlocker.

Keep the cut sides from fraying: Using a overlocker or zig-zag stitch, finish all cut sides.

Hem one short side (if using fabric by the yard): If you're using fabric by the yard, fold over the fabric once or twice and sew the hem.



Sew the 2 open sides together: You might like to pin your folded fabric in place to prevent shifting. Then, using a .5" seam allowance, sew one short side and the long side together with a straight stitch. NOTE: only sew the long side to about 2.5" from the top. Leave the rest open.



Press the seam: Either use your fingers or a hot iron, press the seam on the long side open.



Secure this seam: Sew a few times back and forth perpendicular to the seam to secure it.

Sew the remaining 2.5" inches: Use a straight stitch to sew the two open pieces in place.



Pin the tunnel for the drawstring: Make sure you still have the right sides facing in fold the top of the bread bag over about 1.25" to create the tunnel. I recommend pinning it in place



Sew the tunnel: I recommend using the free arm of your sewing machine for the next step: sew the tunnel in place with a straight stitch.



Guide the drawstring through the tunnel: Put a safety pin through one end of your cord and move it all the way through the tunnel. Secure the ends with a knot.

How to make your own drawstring: you can use some thick yarn and **crochet** a long string.

Notes

- 100% flax linen is the best fabric for this bread bag but you can also use 100% cotton

Source: <https://ourgabledhome.com/how-to-sew-a-linen-bread-bag/>

Video Instructions: <https://youtu.be/zAoqt51FZh4?feature=shared>