

December Bag: **Furoshiki** (fabric origami)

This month's bag is easy, no sewing.

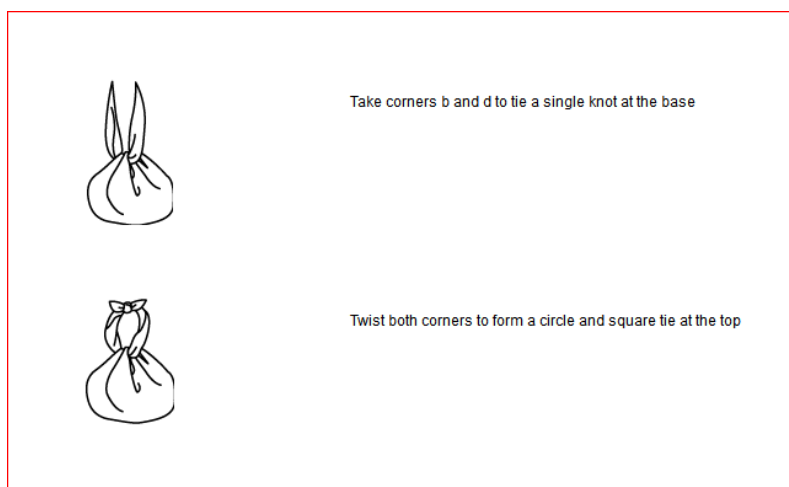
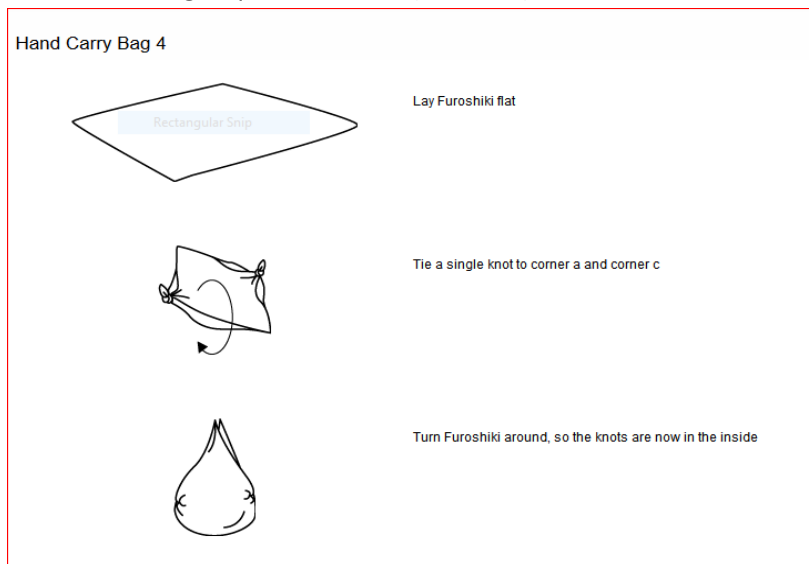
If you love fabrics this is a great way to share, play with or show off beautiful prints. There are many techniques to help create everything from bags, to bottle carriers to gift wrapping packages.

If you can sacrifice your fabric, you can amaze friends and family; even more, the wrapping can be more valuable than the gift inside if you are playing Santa to a Quilter!

These are not my designs but traditional fold and tie methods of using fabric in practical ways in Japan. I have included a selection of links here, but there hundreds of ideas that you can find If you "google" Furoshiki.

<http://furoshiki.com/techniques/>

Start with a large square of fabric (1m x 1m) and then.....



<https://www.pinterest.com/pdg8/art-of-japanese-fabric-folding-furoshiki/>

<http://lifehacker.com/5289791/turn-a-square-of-cloth-into-a-multi-purpose-bag>

[http://video.canadianliving.com/1907679901001/How to wrap gifts in fabric using Japanese furoshiki techniques](http://video.canadianliving.com/1907679901001/How%20to%20wrap%20gifts%20in%20fabric%20using%20Japanese%20furoshiki%20techniques)

<http://www.treehugger.com/culture/furoshiki-youll-never-need-wrapping-paper-again.html>