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Letter from the Editors

Hi Sewists,

Do you ever just get the teensiest bit tired of sewing? If you think you're alone in that feeling, you're definitely not! We've created this eBook to give you an easy break from sewing without missing out on awesome crafts. Give your sewing machine a break with these super fun, super simple no-sew projects that will be sure to delight.

From Christmas projects like our wonderful Easy Sock Snowman to the evergreen No-Sew Fabric Flower, you'll be sure to love these crafts. They can be used to decorate your home, uplift a friend, or even just inspire other crafting endeavors. Hopefully, however you decide to use this little eBook, you'll be sure to enjoy it!

We don't just stop there! You can find more gift projects, sewing tips, and decorating ideas at www.AllFreeSewing.com.

Our eBooks, like all our sewing projects, are absolutely FREE to members of our sewing community. Please feel free to share with family and friends and ask them to sign up at our [free e-mail newsletter](#).

Happy crafting,

The Editors of AllFreeSewing

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Home Décor Projects

Beyond Easy No-Sew Pillows

By: [Stephenie Hamen for FaveCrafts.com](https://www.favecrafts.com/stepheniehamen)

Add a fun touch to any room with your very own DIY decorative pillows! Using only a few supplies, you can create your own Beyond Easy No Sew Pillows and show them off in your living room. DIY pillow covers are a great alternative to the store-bought versions - they cost less and look better, too.

Use coordinating fabrics or dip into your stash; the choice is yours. This is a great way to show off your style and express your personality on the cheap. Make one for your sofa or create a bunch and add them to a variety of rooms in your home.



Materials:

- Pre-made pillow cover and pillow base
- Rotary cutter
- Acrylic ruler
- Cutting mat
- Variety of coordinating fabrics
- Peel and stick adhesive

- 1) Cut a variety to triangles all the same size.
- 2) Add the peel and stick adhesive all the way around the edges of the triangles.
- 3) Adhere the triangles to the pillow cover.
- 4) Add your pillow.

No-Sew Tie Pillow Using a Shirt

By: [Krista Childers for AllFreeSewing.com](http://www.AllFreeSewing.com)

What do you do when you have a bunch of oversized t-shirts? Make no sew tie pillows using them, that's what! With this tutorial, we'll show you exactly how to make a shirt pillow without sewing.

This shirt pillowcase doesn't take long to make. This would make a fun and creative gift for any child, teen, or adult because the shirt can be anything! Take an old shirt from the thrift store and give it new life with this tutorial. It couldn't be simpler to work on!



Materials:

- Shirt (this tutorial used an XL and 3XL shirt for two pillows of the same size)
- Pillow form or polyfill stuffing (this tutorial used two 18" x 18" pillow forms)
- Scissors
- Clear quilt ruler or other measuring devices
- Rotary cutter and self-healing mat (optional)
- Ruler tape (optional)

1) Lay out the shirt on a large, flat, solid surface. Make sure the back and front are even and as flat as possible (in the main section you are using for the pillow). Pin the two sides together if desired.

2) If you DO NOT need to center a design, proceed to Step 3. To center the design, measure and mark (with pins, tape, or a fabric marker/pencil) the size of your pillow base.



3) Measure (and mark if desired), then cut 2-3" beyond the pillow base for the ties. In this case, the main design and pillow base and form is 18" x 18" so measure out 3" on each side and cut. After removing the cut off pieces, it was a 24" x 24" square.



4) Cut out a square in the same size as your ties from each corner.



5) With the front and back still together, cut 1" strips all the way around.



6) Knot (twice, so that it is secure) the two strips of each piece of fabric together all the way across. Do this for three of the sides. Keep one side open to stuff or to place the pillow form.



7) Stuff until full or put the pillow form inside and center.



8) Pull or adjust the pillowcase as needed. Finish tying the final side. You're finished!



No-Sew Upcycled Jean Coaster

By: Mary Beth Temple for FaveCrafts.com

Denim crafts are always so fun to make, but they're even more fun when they're a no-sew craft. This No-Sew Upcycled Jean Coaster is the perfect project for you to find a great purpose for your old jeans.

It's as easy as cut, measure, and glue, and then you'll end up with some super fun DIY coasters. You can easily finish up this upcycled craft in just 5 minutes, and still have plenty of denim jeans left over for another upcycled denim craft. These would make an awesome housewarming gift if you don't have a lot of time to go shopping!



Materials:

- Old pair of jeans
- Scissors
- E6000 glue

- 1) Find the side of the jeans with the seam that has the double stitching. This will be the most sturdy.
- 2) Cut that seam part out of the jeans. Trim the excess bits of denim off the section.
- 3) Use the shorter piece of your jean seam on the inside and the longer pieces on the outside. .
- 4) Run a bead of glue down the center of the seams. Be sure to not do the entire strip at once because the glue will dry before you get to it. Begin rolling the jean up on itself.
- 5) Repeat this process down the rest of the line of your seam. As you continue to roll try and keep it so that the piece stays flat and does not become cone shaped.
- 6) When you are ready to join the second seam onto your first rolled seam, simply place a dot of glue at the end of the seam and connect them.
- 7) Repeat the rolling process along your second seam.
- 8) Place a pin at the very end of your last seam that you roll up and allow that to dry overnight. Your denim coaster is then ready to use!

Fun Holiday Projects

Cinnamon Stick Christmas Tree Ornaments

By: [Krista Childers for AllFreeSewing.com](http://www.AllFreeSewing.com)

With only a few materials and five minutes, you can create a fun rustic homemade ornament. You might even have everything in your home already. It's a great no-sew project for kids to do after school or on winter break.

Plus, there are so many ways to customize this craft that your family will want to keep making these DIY cinnamon stick ornaments until you run out of supplies. The benefit of using cinnamon sticks for these DIY ornaments is that it will provide your home with a slight but pleasant and festive scent throughout the holidays. Who doesn't love the smell of fresh cinnamon?



Materials:

- Ribbon (or scrap fabric strips or yarn)
- 6-inch cinnamon sticks (or 6-inch sticks – the straighter the better)
- Twine or yarn
- Fabric scissors
- Craft glue
- Star buttons (optional)

1) Find a straight cinnamon stick (or twig) to use as your base.

3) Lay down a long length of ribbon and place the cinnamon stick in the center of the ribbon near the top of the stick, leaving about half an inch at the end.

4) Tie the ribbon around the stick. Flip the stick over and tie another knot. This will not only secure it in place but help keep the ribbon from pointing too far up or down. Cut the ribbon, leaving at least 2-1/2-inches on either side.

5) Repeat steps 3 and 4, but make sure you're moving the stick a few centimeters from the previous ribbon.

6) Repeat steps 3 and 4 (moving the stick a few centimeters from the previous ribbon) until the stick is full. You will also want to leave a "trunk" at the bottom (about 1/2-inch). Adjust the ribbon pieces as needed.

7) Carefully cut the ribbon pieces at an angle from bottom to the top of the stick, making the ribbon on each side shorter as you go up, resembling the Christmas tree shape. Do this for both sides, keeping the ribbon branches symmetrical.

8) Adjust the ribbon pieces again as needed to make your tree look the way you want it.

9) Cut a piece of twine (or ribbon/yarn) and glue it to the back top of the ornament. Let dry.

10) *Optional:* Glue a star button (or angel if you have one) to the top to mimic a real Christmas tree. Let dry. That's it! Admire your work and hang your ornament!



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Easy Sock Snowman Tutorial

By: Jenny Bowden for AllFreeSewing.com

Christmas decorations can get expensive, especially if you like to go all out for the holidays. That's why we love being able to DIY some of our decorations for the winter. We are obsessed with these Easy Sock Snowmen! Not only can you use up your old socks and notions from your sewing room, but it's also super simple to create as many of these guys or gals as you want.

There's no need of a pattern for sock snowman, either, so it's easy peasy. Follow our Easy Sock Snowman Tutorial and see how easily you can make your own. These can be low-sew or no-sew, depending on your skill level and time commitment. So, take a trip around the house with the kids and gather the materials, then get ready to have some sock snowman fun!



Materials:

- 1 white sock
- 1 colored sock for the hat
- Rice for filling
- Rubber bands
- Buttons
- Ribbons/yarn/fabric
- Glue gun
- Black sewing straight pins
- Fabric paint or markers

1) First, find a few white socks to use for your snowman body. Men's crew socks are preferred, but any white sock will work fine.

2) Next, cut the sock just above the heel.

3) Turn the sock inside out and tightly close the top of the sock using a rubber band.

4) Turn the sock right side out and fill with rice. You can use a measuring spoon or regular spoon for this step.

5) Once you're happy with the size of your snowman, tie the top of your sock with a rubber band.

6) To form the body and head of the snowman, take another rubber band and tie it around the middle, a bit closer to the top (since you want the top part to be a little smaller for his head).

7) Now, it's time to decorate your rice sock snowman! Cut the toe off a colored sock (we used grey) to create a small hat for him/her. You could also use the heel part of the sock, or a baby sock. Roll up the ends to create a rim. Feel free to secure it safely using a bit of hot glue, or just let the hat rest on his head.

8) To add a scarf, tie a piece of ribbon, fabric, or yarn around his neck. You could also cut a small piece of the colored sock if you want the hat and scarf to match.

9) Add buttons to your snowman using a hot glue gun or double-sided tape.

10) Once your snowman is decorated to your liking, it's time to bring him to life! There are a few different ways you can add a face:

- Eyes: We used black sewing pins for the eyes. Other options include painting them on with fabric paint, drawing them on with permanent marker, or sewing on small black beads.
- Nose: We painted our nose on with orange fabric paint. Other options include: orange sewing pin, orange pom poms, orange painted toothpicks, orange marker, etc.
- Other ideas: you could always draw or paint on a mouth, use a pink crayon to add some rouge to the cheeks, or add toothpicks or sticks for arms. We added small pom poms to the hat, and I have also seen people use striped or argyle patterned socks for snowman clothing. The options are truly endless! Use whatever you have lying around the house – anything goes with these cute no-sew snowmen!

11) You're all finished! Enjoy displaying these sweet snowmen!

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Fabric Christmas Gift Tag Ornaments

By: [Krista Childers for AllFreeSewing.com](https://www.allfreesewing.com/author/krista-childers/)

Bust out that Christmas fabric and get ready to make your own Fabric Christmas Gift Tag Ornaments! Our no-sew tutorial shows you how to make these fabric gift tags in about 5 minutes. They can be used as unique gift tags or ornaments for your Christmas tree.

These cute little rustic pieces are as customizable as you can get. Get creative with the fabric, embellish with buttons or stitching, or write messages with fabric markers or paint. The best part about this easy project is that you can have a lot of fun with the details and provide your own original twists.



Materials:

- Fabric scraps (each tag uses two pieces of fabric sized about 2" x 4")
- Pinking shears or scissors
- Lightweight fusible interfacing or fabric glue
- Iron and ironing board (to press and if using fusible interfacing)
- Grommets/eyelets
- Twine or ribbon
- Disappearing/washable fabric marker or fabric pins
- Fray Check (optional)
- Embellishments, such as buttons or fabric paint (optional)
- [Gift tag template](#) (there are three sizes to choose from)

There are two methods for this tutorial:

Method 1:

- 1) Gather and prep your supplies. Your fabric should be pressed before cutting.
- 2) Print and cut out [the template](#) (or draw your own freehand gift tag shape).
- 3) Cut out two rectangles of fabric about 1/2-inch larger than the gift tag shape.



4) Cut out a piece of interfacing slightly smaller than the template or cut strips of interfacing to fit shape. Follow interfacing instructions. General instructions: Press to adhere interfacing to one side of fabric (wrong side). Remove paper backing. Press to adhere the two sides of fabric together (wrong sides together). You can also use fabric glue instead of interfacing.



5) Use a disappearing/water-soluble marker to trace the template on the fabric or use a fabric pin to attach the template to the fabric.



6) Cut out using pinking shears (or regular fabric scissors).



7) Add a grommet using the tool set and following instructions (or use alternative methods to create a hole for hanging).



8) Thread twine or ribbon through the hole and knot. Add embellishments if desired. It's done and ready to hang or attach to a gift!



Method 2:

1) Cut out two pieces of fabric and put them wrong sides together, right sides out. Pin the template to the pieces.



2) Cut out the shapes.



3) Cut and arrange strips of fusible interfacing.



4) Follow directions for pressing.



5) Add grommet/hole at the top.



6) Thread ribbon through the hole and knot.



7) You've got yourself some absolutely lovely gift tag ornaments!



Simple No-Sew Quilted Ornaments

By: [Krista Childers for AllFreeSewing.com](http://www.AllFreeSewing.com)

With these Simple No-Sew Quilted Ornaments, you can create a pretty faux-quilted ornament that will look spectacular on any Christmas tree. You don't even have to make one of these ornaments for Christmas, either. It's fun to play around with fabric to make "every day" ball ornaments as well.

These DIY ornaments are so easy. The most difficult part is dividing your Styrofoam ball into equal segments and for that we have you covered! We are providing you with printable templates for 4-inch, 3-inch, and even 2-inch balls. There are even designs that you can choose to up the impression factor.



Materials:

- [Printable Ornament Templates](#) (print the page at "actual size" for the correct measurements)
- Styrofoam balls (4-inch, 3-inch, or 2-inch)
- Fabric (enough to cover the ball)
- Foam cutting tool (you can also use a butter knife)
- Scissors
- Thin marker or pen for drawing on Styrofoam
- Straight pins for assembly
- Ribbon, yarn, or other hanging material
- Straight pins or glue for hanging
- Decorations: ribbon, jewelry strings, etc. (optional)

1) [Print out the templates](#) for the pattern size and style you would like to create. Gather your other materials, and determine the fabric combination you will be using.



2) Cut and use the template pieces to cover the ball evenly. To make it easier, cut one piece of the printed template and trace the piece to create half the number needed on a more flexible material, such as newspaper or fabric. Use straight pins to hold the pieces in place around the ball. For example, this template has 8 segments, so 4 pieces of felt were cut and placed evenly around the Styrofoam (see image below).



3) Use a marker/pen to draw the template on the ball.



4) Using your foam tool (or butter knife), cut along the lines on the ball, pushing in about 1/2-inch into the Styrofoam.



5) Use the template pieces to cut out the fabric. The easiest way to do this is to place the template onto a piece of fabric (make sure the design of the fabric is where you want it) and trace around, leaving roughly 1/2-inch to 1-inch all the way around. This will be the extra that's being punched into the ball. Alternatively, you can cut large strips and trim more of the excess after punching.



6) Align one piece of cut fabric with a section of the ball. Using the cut lines, punch the fabric into the spaces. In order to make the fabric look smooth and even, you will want to punch down in various places as you go, rather than down one side and then the other.



7) Once the section is covered in fabric with it pushed in as much as needed to secure, use the scissors to cut any excess fabric. Then, go back and punch in any remaining fabric around the section.



8) Repeat steps 6 and 7 with the fabric of choice around the remaining sections of the ball.



9) Once your ball is covered, it's time to add decorations if desired. This is an optional step. Ideas: Cover the "seams" with ribbon, straight pins, or jewelry strings.

10) Cut a piece of ribbon or yarn as a hanger. Tie the ends. Use a straight pin to adhere the ribbon hanger to the top of the ornament. You can use glue if desired.



11) Find a place to hang your new ornament!



Spirit of Christmas Fabric Wreath

By: [Mary Beth Temple for AllFreeSewing.com](http://www.AllFreeSewing.com)

Have you ever wondered how to make a fabric wreath? It's such a fun and trendy way to decorate for the holidays. You're in luck because we have the perfect Spirit of Christmas Fabric Wreath Tutorial for you to follow along with!

This fab Christmas rag wreath is a lovely project, especially for crafters who have lots of scrap fabric they want to use up. Plus, it doesn't require precise measurements or steps, so you can have a lot of fun scrapbusting and creating your own wreath. With this awesome scrapbuster, you'll have a beautiful DIY wreath in about an hour. That's right - anyone can make a rag wreath like ours!



Materials:

- Fabric in three or more colors or you can use scraps or yardage (three and a half fat quarters were used for this example)
- Pinking shears or rotary cutter with a pinking blade
- Craft glue - check to make sure its suitable for Styrofoam!
- Tucking tool, blunt pencil, chopstick, or similar to tuck fabric into wreath form
- 14" round foam wreath form

1) With pinking shears or using a rotary cutter with a pinking blade, cut fabric into approximately 2.5" squares. If using small scraps, simply pink the edges of what you have.



2) Pour some foam-safe glue out into a small cup, plate, or another disposable container.

3) Place the tucking tool into the center of the right side of the fabric, twist the fabric, dip point into glue, and tuck the fabric into the wreath. You don't have to push in too far, just enough so that the fabric stays in place.



4) Continue tucking the fabric pieces unto the wreath until no white Styrofoam shows. You needn't do the back, but make sure to do the sides of the wreath both inside and out.



5) Allow to dry. Add hanger and display!



Other Projects

No-Sew Easy Canopy for Your Princess

By: Carolyn Wainscott for FaveCrafts.com

Learn how to make a quick No-Sew Easy Canopy for Your Princess with this fun and easy-to-follow tutorial. This is a great decor item for a playroom or little girl's room, and you won't believe how easy it is to make. It comes together pretty quickly, and before you know it, your little girl will have the perfect new addition to her space!

It is made with relatively few supplies, which means you don't have to spend all day in a craft store. This would make a lovely gift for someone who is expecting a new little one. However you decide to jazz up a space, this canopy will be your next go-to project to do just that!



Materials:

- Large embroidery or quilt hoop
- 7 yards fabric or sheets to match bedding
- 4 S hooks
- Swag hook
- Ribbon, wire, etc. to attach canopy to ceiling hook
- 7 yards tulle (optional)

- 1) Place outside hoop on flat surface
- 2) Center fabric, gather in large folds
- 3) Match back edges of fabric at back of hoop
- 4) Place inside hoop into outside hoop & fabric
- 5) Insert S hooks between inside and outside hoops at even intervals
- 6) Tighten outside hoop
- 7) Attach wire to S hooks
- 8) Install swag hook into ceiling over bed.
- 9) Hang canopy onto swag hook.

No-Sew Fabric Flowers Tutorial

By: [Mary Beth Temple for AllFreeSewing.com](http://www.AllFreeSewing.com)

You will not believe how truly easy it is to make these No-Sew Fabric Flowers. You can add these gorgeous DIY fabric flowers to a homemade quilt or any sewing project you see fit.

Learning how to make a fabric flower is a really great technique to have on hand and these flowers can be incorporated into a ton of different sewing projects that you might want to do in the future.



Materials:

- Assorted 2" strips of fabric
- Hot glue gun
- Pinking shears (optional)
- Pin back or alligator clip (optional)

1) Prepare fabric by selecting width, and if desired prep edges by pinking or folding. For example, when using 2" strips:

- A small flower will require one 2" strip, folded in half longways (so it shows 1" in length when folded) and pressed.
- A medium flower will require two 2" strips, trimmed to approximately 1-1/4" or 1-1/2" wide. You can leave the edge raw or use pinking shears to add decorative cut edges.
- A larger flower can use two 2" strips as is or you can use even wider strips. Again, you can leave the edge raw or use pinking shears to add decorative cut edges.



2) With your strip, fold one short edge into a triangle shape with a point facing up, glue to secure.



3) Hold the center and the fabric your twisting. Twist fabric 90 degrees about every 2" to 4" and, working in a spiral pattern, fold the fabric around the center, gluing every 3" to 4" or as often as necessary to secure the folds.



4) Continue until the flower is desired size. Leave approximately 1-1/2" to cover the back, trim off excess fabric.



5) Use that strip to hide the back folds of the flower. Glue to the back to the folded flower. Add glue if needed to keep the folder flower in the shape you want.



6) Glue pin back into place if desired.



7) You're set! Enjoy your fabric flowers!

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- Fun Holiday Projects
- Other Fantastic Crafts



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