



The Linen Bread Bag revisited!

Description



Storing bread in linen is the best method to prevent it from going stale.'Â Better than plastic bags or tupperware, linen maintains the softness of bread, while preserving its crisp exterior.'Â So enjoy your bread another day or two without having to hurt your teeth on tough crust and tasteless bread!

I really enjoy baking and so when I'm giving away some baked treats, I like to wrap them in one of these linen bags. 'Â It is always nice to add a nice

homemade touch to something. 'Â Plus, it looks so much more thoughtful and beautiful than plastic wrap. 'Â Giving away freshly baked goodies in a linen bag you sewed yourself is a really sweet gesture. 'Â It doesn't take very long to do, but sometimes the smallest touch like this can make a difference.

I just sew these up in my spare time with any scraps of linen I have from other projects. 'Â The size of these bags can vary, depending on your preference. 'Â Also, feel free to get creative with your linen colors! 'Â I think some embroidery is the perfect thing for this bag. 'Â If you know how to embroider, then this is a great craft to add some embellishments to.



Materials:

- Pre-laundered linen (about a 1/4 yard)
- Scissors
- Measuring tape
- Sewing machine
- 1 yard of 4C22

I chose to make my bag with heavyweight 4C22 linen. ‘Â This linen is 7.1 ounces per square yard and works well for this particular project.

I’ve made this bag before in Natural linen, but today I am making it in a softened White linen. ‘Â The softened linen goes through a different process when it is manufactured. ‘Â There are no added chemicals or anything like that. ‘Â The only difference between the softened and unsoftened linen options are the texture. ‘Â I like both types, but just chose to go with the softened version today.

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Cut your linen into a rectangular shape. ‘Â You don’t have to follow my measurements precisely. ‘Â I just measured out what I thought would be larger enough to hold different sizes of bread best. I measured a piece of linen **16x11 inches**, and placed one side on a fold. This will double the length of my linen, resulting in a bag that will be large enough, but only using two seams inside the bag.

The horizontal edges along the side and bottom are what will be sewing up in the next step. ‘Â I placed some sewing pins along the top to make sure everything stays aligned while I sew up those two sides.



With your sewing machine, just make a straight seam all the way along the two side edges.



You can finish these seams with an outerlock seam if you like too. 'Â This step isn't necessary, but I kind like how it makes things look more

professional.



I couldn't help but show it in a Natural linen just for fun! 'Â I know its obvious I am a huge fan of the Natural linen, but can you see why? 'Â I just love how it looks. 'Â I like the way it adds a rustic charm to my kitchen and home. The one pictured above is 4C22 Natural unsoftened linen, but you can look at all 4C22 linens by clicking on the button below:

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The drawstring is very simple to make and is just like the type I've made in previous posts. 'Â Just cut a 1.5 inch wide strip of linen. 'Â I made mine about 18 inches long, but just make sure it is long enough (the exact length isn't so important as long as it is long enough). Fold in both of the edges in so they meet in the center. 'Â This will leave you with a 1/2 wide inch drawstring.



Sew the edge with your sewing machine. 'Â Then fold over both ends and finish them with a stitch to conceal the raw edge. 'Â I choose a blue thread for this part for a little colorful detail.



Fold the top of your bag in a 1/2 inch and then over again another inch. 'Â Sew this fold to create your drawstring. 'Â Leave a little opening at the end so you can slip your string through!

Using a safety pin or paper clip, work your string through the opening and along the space.



Now that the string is in place, just remove the paper clip or safety pin.



Adjust the drawstring so it is evenly distributed along the top and you are all done!



If you are looking for something to sew with linen, try this project out! It is easy and is something you can use for years to come.'Â This drawstring bag style doesn't have to be used for only for bread.'Â It is a good bag to store items in and can be used for many different purposes.

Find the 4C22 linen you need to make one by clicking on the button below:

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