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Favorite Fabric Bowls, Boxes & Vases: 15 Quick-to-Make Projects - 45 Inspiring Variations



Synopsis

With 15 projects you can easily make in a day, best-selling author Linda Johansen teaches you to sew creative containers of all shapes and sizes. Corral your odds and ends with sturdy fabric bowls, boxes, and vases. Each project includes stylish variations and embellishment ideas ranging from artistic to playful. These time-tested projects are so perfect to make, use, and share—we bet you can't stop at just one!

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Remember when the first wave of fusibles had us all making bowls and rediscovering the zigzag stitch? Remember how, um ... er ... _dorky_ some of them looked? Projects meant to be nifty handmade gifts caused more embarrassment than pride ... and yet another store-bought present for someone special. You might want to relive, revisit, and redeem all this with Linda Johansen's Favorite Fabric Bowls, Boxes, & Vases. The "Bowls" section is still the weakest link here. However, if you've never done this sort of 3D crafting, it's a great way to learn fundamental concepts. The most important being that the variety of fusibles and interfacing you'll need to invest in can be a shock to your budget system. Johansen provides excellent instructions. Just be careful to buy the right supplies in the right amounts. I have actually taken a book I was trying to figure out with me to my specialty fabric store. They knew exactly what stiffness my fusibles needed to be and if they needed to be fusible on 1 side, 2 sides, or not at all. (I had a bit of a revelation while glumly looking

at the bowls, wondering why they just do not thrill me. I mean this with no sarcasm or disrespect, but they could instead make for some really fascinating wall art.)The sections on "Boxes" and "Vases" is where this book really shines. Your choice of fabric or fabric combinations will make all the difference in making it uniquely yours. The "Hexagon Box" comes in both small and large sizes; it also eliminates any chance of that dorky handmade look. The "Treasure Box" has a few variations that set it apart from a clunky recipe file box. And there is the requisite "To-Go Box", but it has 2 neat variations I won't spoil here. Now, the Vases.

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