

## One Yard Beach Bag

1. Clean cut the edges of the fabric
2. Fold right sides together and sew along the salvage side making a tube approx. 18 x 42 inches long.
3. While the right sides are still together, refold the tube so the seam is now down the center, iron the seam open.
4. Sew across one end of the tube. You will now sew the other end leaving about a 3 inch opening to turn it right side out. You may turn it right side out after you clip the corners first. Iron the sewn fabric being careful to watch the 3 inch opening keeping the edges ironed. You may hand or machine the opening closed. (I did not bother to sew that part because a seam will close it later.
5. Take a 3 to 4 inch wide scrap about 6 to 7 inches long, hem one end (make sure you use matching thread as it will show) now sew the length-long side to make a small tube (handle). Turn the tube right side out and center the seam on the back and iron. Set aside.
6. Fold the bag in half (end to end) to find the center and mark a line across the center. (This mark will not show, it will be covered up by the small tube from above.)
7. Fan fold across the line to the other side using about  $\frac{3}{8}$  to  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch folds. Use thread, yard, thin scrap of fabric to secure the folds.
8. Using the small tube/handle wrap around the tied fan fold area using the unhemmed end first and pin it on so you can hand sew the handle on at the hemmed area.
9. Open the unit and measure 9 inches from each of the 4 corners towards the middle. Fold the unit putting the bottom edges right sides together and repin the 9 inch area hopefully matching the 2 pins on each side (split the difference if they don't line up). Sew the two 9 inch side seams.
10. While still the right sides together refold (90 degrees) so the seams line up in the center and nest the seams. Now sew the bottom seam, turn the right sides out. Voila, you're done