

MATERIAL GIRLS of the Program Team PRESENT:

Handy Dandies for the Adventurousome Quilter Feb. 2011

HOW TO USE UP SCRAPS: Big ideas for little fabric

1. Make a 2" Patchwork or Crazy quilts. Lap size usually works out well with scraps.
 2. Quilt individual blocks, and then assemble it, a sampler quilt
 3. Quilt in miniature for a cause: www.AlzQuilts.org
 4. Use scraps for small Appliqué projects or parts of appliqué.
 5. Make a case for an organized purse :o) Use old zippers cut down to size +1", buttons and fabric to make a basic pouch for makeup, keys, ECT.
 6. Lots of busy, floral, and medium to large print scraps? Mini Watercolor Quilts (cut 1 ½" squares): ignore color; use value and gradually transition from light to dark. Stand back or look through binoculars backwards to check how well your quilt blends, if noticeable lines are apparent rearrange for a smooth transition. Use the back side of fabric as well.
 7. Quilted pillows are always quick, fun and an easy to make for a change of decor
 8. Tee Shirt quilts. Use your strips of scraps for sashings and borders.
 9. Handy Dandy Hand Sewing Accessories: Make needle pockets, hand-sewing case or scissors case.
 10. Make new material with those oh so small scraps and trimmings from squaring up blocks: Use organza and Solvy stabilizer. Layer the scraps between the Solvy and organza, drop your feed-dog and just sew random pattern to catch all the scraps. This is also a great way to use up those ends of thread on spools.
 11. Make ornament for the holiday, or decorative balls with Styrofoam in the center for your coffee table.
 12. Fabric broaches in small crazy quilt or your favorite blocks or yoyos embellished with threads, beads, bobbles and found objects.
- *Some information in [Handy Dandies for the Adventurousome Quilter](#) may have been obtained from the websites listed in the [Wickedly Wonderful Websites](#), and is intended to encourage quilters to explore those links.

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Wickedly-Wonderful-Websites

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Fabric recycling

<http://www.paystolivegreen.com/2009/03/recycling-fabric-to-save-and-go-green/>

Picnic cloth instructions

[http://www.motherearthnews.com/Do-It-Yourself/1983-07-01/Recycle-Fabric-Scraps-Into-a-](http://www.motherearthnews.com/Do-It-Yourself/1983-07-01/Recycle-Fabric-Scraps-Into-a-Picnic-Cloth.aspx)

[Picnic-Cloth.aspx](http://www.motherearthnews.com/Do-It-Yourself/1983-07-01/Recycle-Fabric-Scraps-Into-a-Picnic-Cloth.aspx)

20 ideas

<http://craftstew.com/sewing/20-crafty-ways-to-use-up-fabric-scraps>

More ideas

<http://tipnut.com/scrap-happy-fabric-scrap-ideas-free-patterns/>