

# Patchwork Quilted Bags: Totes, Purses and Accessories

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**Reiko Washizawa : Patchwork Quilted Bags: Totes, Purses and Accessories** before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Patchwork Quilted Bags: Totes, Purses and Accessories:

2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. A Beautifully Fun Way to Discover Reiko Rediscover Hand-Stitching; Requires A Bit Of Effort Good Visualization Skills By SLSPatchwork Quilted Bags has 19 sweet and unusual projects. Reiko Washizawa adds sophisticated flair to keep the "Totes, Purses, Accessories" from being too cutesy. Bags and bag-like items - such as a baby bottle case - predominate. The accessories are also really just another form of a bag: pouches, clutches, and zippered storage case. So, basically bags. But, oh, what lovely ones. The Card Case With Accordion Pockets presents a fun new way to store your credit cards. When you first see her Strawberry Pouch, you'd swear it's just another potholder. Yet it, too, hides a zippered compartment, making it as secretive as fake books in which you store your treasures. A wide variety of shapes are used: squares, diamonds, pentagons, hexagons, yo-yos, rhombuses, and Lemoyne Stars, curiously referred to as "Lemon Stars". In all but one bag, The Yo-Yo Bag,

you will make your own handles and straps. That Yo-Yo Bag requires purchasing a metal coin purse handle frame. Difficulty level? Definitely up there. While a few bags are relatively easy, such as reusable shopping totes, most require more skilled techniques. Drafting (including a compass in some cases), experience with zippers, Y-seams, trapunto, and deft hand-stitching are required. But what makes this book most difficult, but also most charming, is its non-western organization. You'll need to be very good at visualizing construction. Drawings are used more than words to convey instructions, and that can get tricky. And as with many Japanese and Chinese craft books, pictures of each project are in the front of the book. Then each picture refers to a set of text and drawn instructions in the latter part of the book. And then you must find and/or draft the associated templates which are located in an envelope attached to the inside of the back cover. Most endearing is how the author lets us get to know her through her own journey with fabric and quilting. She shares her comments and opinions with each project. She also shows photos of "My Top 5 Favorite Quilts". This is the sort of book you'll want to read cover to cover in order to know Reiko Washizawa as a person and an artist. Highly recommended for those willing to make an extra effort, both through concentration and also rediscovering the organic tactile beauty of hand-stitching.

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By Leyla  
Cannot access pattern, hard to follow on kindle. Designs are different but if I can't download patterns. Link does not work it loses its appeal. I am also pretty sick in general of trying to work out if I want to pay good money on a book when I can only get a very limited look inside. If I go to a book shop I can flick to my hearts content, but for some reason either the publishers or don't want you to see what you are buying.  
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By Marian Francki  
Nice book. I thank you.

Patchwork Quilted Bags helps you create unique bags that put a little charm into your wardrobe. Full-sized quilting patterns and step-by-step instructions for 19 different projects, along with techniques for assembling the perfect patch, make this quilting book ideal for novice and practiced crafters alike. Projects range in size from large totes to small pouches in a zakka vein. With Patchwork Quilted Bags you can make: A bird-themed travel bag An elegant lace-rimmed bucket bag A colorful clasp purse A round bag/basket A fold-away eco bag A baby bag with bottle "cozy" Adorable animal-themed totes A Union-Jack themed pouch And more! This colorful and user-friendly quilting book shows you lots of creative ways to use every type of patch from squares to yoyos, and every type of print from florals to newsprint. Pages showcasing different patchwork quilts add inspiration for mixing traditional and contemporary forms. It's the perfect way to have fun with fabric and make a practical work of art.

"a book dedicated to incorporating your patchwork creations into everyday bags. This will be a great way to bring your creative showpieces around with you since it is quite impossible to bring your quilts wherever you go."  
JapaneseSewingBooks.com "I love the designs in the book if you are an experienced quilter and sewer who loves new bag ideas this book is for you." Crafty Moms Share blog "it's got all types of quilted bags, which each are so lovely and perfect for gift giving, carrying everyday crafting items, baby items and so much more!" Test Try Results blog "Unique and thoroughly 'user friendly' in organization and step-by-step presentation, "Patchwork Quilted Bags" is enthusiastically recommended for community library Needlecraft instructional collections." Midwest Book "If you enjoy patchwork and quilting but don't have the patience to make a full-size quilt then this could be just what you're after! This colourful book explains creative ways to incorporate these techniques into bags of all sizes from tiny little pouches to large overnight totes and is a fantastic source of inspiration for textile artists." Love Sewing magazine "This tote bag is quick and easy to make. Piecing together multiple octagons in bright colors creates the illusion of lively circles a Scandinavian style. If you use a subdued color palette, the angles appear more pronounced."  
CraftFoxes.com About the Author Prolific quilter Reiko Washizawa has written on all forms of quilting, from full-sized star quilts to small quilted goods for babies. She specializes in welcoming the beginner to the world of quilting, and in bringing a contemporary twist to traditional designs.