

## Crayon Tote Bags

1. Cut 2 squares approximately 6". (The bag needs to be big enough to hold one box of crayons.)
2. With right sides together, stitch on 3 sides with a  $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam.
3. Turn under the top edge about  $\frac{1}{4}$ " and stitch all the way around to hem the top.
4. Cut a strip of seam binding or ribbon about 12" – 18", depending on the size of your bag.
5. Stitch each end to the side seams to make a handle.
6. Your crayon tote bag is finished.

Other suggestions: You can use a strip of fabric instead of 2 squares and fold it in half. Then stitch the bottom and side leaving it open at the top (or stitch 2 sides depending on how you folded the fabric). The fabric piece can be bigger or smaller than 6" as long as the bag will hold a small box of crayons.

You can use heavier fabric like denim (especially cut up old jeans) and decorate the bag with rick rack or other trims. It is best to sew this on. Do not use glue.

The handle can also be made from bias tape or a left over strip of quilt binding.

**Very Important:** Do NOT use buttons or anything of that nature that could come off and be a choking hazard to a child.