

Sully's Upcycled Box Top

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Want a perfect project for your first upcycled, handmade garment? Sully's Upcycled Box Top is a fun, beginner-friendly sewing pattern in sizes XS-5XL. It has a wide boxy fit, and easy options for a finished neckline. The short sleeves and hem can be lengthened or shortened for a variety of preferences. This top is designed to be approachable for beginners—no complicated techniques, just straightforward, joyful sewing.

***There is also an option to use a serger along with your sewing machine. If you have a serger, bring it! If not, you will be fine and your sewing machine alone - it can do the trick!!

Make this Box Top from woven light to mid-weight woven (not stretch) fabrics. Thrifted tablecloths, curtains, scraps, quilt tops, pieces from clothes in your wardrobe or fabric from your stash and more! It requires 2.5 yards of total fabric.

Level: Adventurous Beginner. Knows basic sewing machine functions.

Skills learned: Piecing, hemming, hidden bias binding or neckline facing.

Supplies needed:

- Sewing machine, along with foot control and power cord.
- Basic sewing supplies: thread - matching or a fun contrast color thread (there will be some top stitching). Fabric scissors, pins/clips, bobbin.
- Bring a serger if you would like, but it is not a necessity.

Fabric needs:

- Designed for midweight woven fabrics such as cotton, linen, or dive into your scrap bin! Table cloths, bedsheets, curtains, etc. work well. The amount of fabric can be tough to determine as upcycled textiles come in a variety of shapes. A rule of thumb: comparable to 2 yards of 45" width fabric. Karen will have kantha quilts which work great! You can purchase for \$12 at the class.

- We have options on finishing the neckline, and we will bring it! We will most likely be using a facing method - but if you think you would prefer Bias Binding bring it! - if you have 1/2 inch single or double fold bias binding that you want to use. If not, Karen will provide a couple of neutral color options. Remember the bias binding is hidden.

Karen provides:

- Your very own pattern and instructions will be emailed after class.
- Fun, energy and sew-along guidance
 - Kantha quilts and scraps at low price if needed
 - Snacks!