

THE BAG OF UGLY FABRIC

"This Bag Gets Around." That what it says on the side of a special bag made to hold ugly fabric. We are having an Ugly Fabric Challenge.

1. Members were asked to bring in a piece (any size but roughly a fat quarter size) of ugly fabric for the next meeting. Any fabric, ugly to you, any size, any colour, any pattern.
2. 4 (or perhaps 5) pieces of fabric as chosen by the committee were put into 2 bags. One pink and one blue.
3. All the names of the people belonging to the guild were put into a drawing, and the ones selected must take the bag home, make something using mainly the ugly fabric, and bring it to the next meeting for "show and tell" and let guild know how that ugly fabric was used.
4. Each bag will be turned in at the beginning of the meeting for the next draw with any unused ugly fabric. The person making the article may add more ugly fabric to the bag before handing it in. It is not necessary to use all the ugly fabric in the bag.
5. The first person whose name was drawn to receive the bag may give it to one other person, but it can not be passed further but the name of the first person goes back into the draw and they can not pass it on if drawn a second time. If the person who had the bag passed to them has their name drawn at a subsequent meeting, they may pass it on without having their name put back into the draw. No one should have the bag more than once unless she wishes to try it again.
6. Should the person drawn not be at the meeting, their name goes back into the draw and another name is drawn.
7. When the bag has made its way through a good number of members, (committee decision) and there are still ugly fabrics available, the person whose name is drawn, and is not present at the meeting, shall be informed and the committee shall hand over the bag to her as soon as possible. Just because you do not attend the meetings, doesn't mean that you will not get a bag.
8. At the next meeting other names would be drawn, and that person would get the bag (or pass it on - see rule 3.)
9. Of course, more ugly fabric can be added either by the person taking the bag home. the committee, if more fabric was received than used in the bag initially when the ugly fabric was turned in.
10. The committee reserves the right to empty the bags when turned in and to put into the bags their choices. It does not have to match, be colour co-ordinated, look good with the other fabric in the bag or even be big or small pieces.
11. Be quite inspired and make several articles if you wish, setting a very high bar for the next bag-holder! Make useable items. If the person making the article does not wish to keep their article, start a stash of items for the quilt show boutique.
12. A greater challenge down the line decided by the committee, might be to put only one, two or three different fabrics in the bag when it is passed on as the stash of ugly fabrics diminishes.