



KANZASHI SHOPPER'S BAG

A pretty tote bag is a wonderful shopping-spree companion, and this one requires almost no sewing!

Supply List:

Kanzashi Flower Maker Round Petal Large Art No. 8481
Approximately 1/4 yard each of two coordinating fabrics
Covered button kit, 1 1/4" diameter, with three button forms
Ready-made cotton tote bag
Scissors
Strong fabric glue
1/4 yard fusible webbing
Iron and ironing board

Construction:

Step 1: Make three 8-petal Kanzashi flowers. Prepare three covered buttons according to the button kit instructions. Glue a covered button to the center of each Kanzashi. Set the flowers aside.

Step 2: Cut three 4 1/2" squares from contrasting fabric. Turn under 1/4" at each corner and press.

Then, turn under 1/4" along all four sides and press. As an option, machine stitch around all four sides, 1/8" from the edge. Repeat this process with the other two squares.

Step 3: Cut three 4" squares of fusible webbing. Follow the package directions to fuse webbing to the wrong side of each fabric square.

Step 4: Place the three squares on the tote bag, positioning them as you like. Follow the package directions to fuse the squares to the bag.

Step 5: Using a generous amount of fabric glue, attach one Kanzashi flower to the center of each square.

KANZASHI FLOWER BROOCH

This three-flower brooch makes a beautiful fashion statement on your favorite blouse or jacket. It's fun to mix and match Kanzashi styles and fabrics!

Supply List:

Kanzashi Flower Maker Gathered Petal Large Art No. 8485
Kanzashi Flower Maker Round Petal Large Art No. 8481
Kanzashi Flower Maker Pointed Petal Small Art No. 8482
Scraps of 2-3 coordinating fabrics
3 Coordinating buttons
14" length of 24 gauge floral wire
Scrap of coordinating felt
Hot glue gun
1 1/2" Pin back

Construction:

Step 1: Make one large 10-petal Kanzashi flower, alternating Gathered and Round petals. Make two small 5-petal Kanzashi flowers, using Pointed petals.

Step 2: Take the strand of floral wire and bend it in the center, leaving a small loop. Twist the ends together about 1 1/2" from center, as shown Ill 1.



Step 3: Bend the two ends of the wire in toward the center, leaving a small loop in each. Twist the remaining wire together as shown Ill. 2

Step 4: Cut three circles from felt: one measuring 1 1/2" in diameter and two measuring 1" in diameter.

Step 5: Place the three flowers face down and place the wire armature on top, lining the flower centers up with the loops in the wire. Glue one wire loop to the back of each flower, and then glue a felt circle over each wire loop.

Step 6: When the glue dries, bend the wire stems as needed to adjust the position of the flowers. Glue a button to the center of each flower. Glue a pin back to the back of the large flower, placing it near the top of the felt circle for balance.



KANZASHI HAIR CLIP

This project harkens back to Kanzashi's traditional use as a hair ornament. This version, however, takes only a few minutes to whip up.

Supply List:

Kanzashi Flower Maker Gathered Petal Small Art No. 8484
Approximately 1/8 yard fabric
Coordinating button
Strong fabric glue
Scrap of coordinating felt
Snap-style hair clip
Water soluble fabric marker
Hand sewing needle and thread



Construction:

Step 1: Make an 8-petal Kanzashi flower. Glue a button to the center.

Step 2: Place the hair clip face down on the felt. Trace around all sides with a water soluble fabric marker. Cut the shape out, cutting 1/8" outside your lines. Cut a second, identical felt piece and then trim off one end, 1/4" from the tip.

Step 3: Open the hair clip. Place the two pieces of felt around the top part of the clip, with the trimmed piece to the inside. Sew the felt pieces together around the top of the clip using a whip stitch.

Step 4: Close the hair clip. On the top of the clip, glue down the end of the felt closest to the clip's hinge. Allow the glue to dry.

Step 5: Glue the Kanzashi flower to the top of the clip.



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