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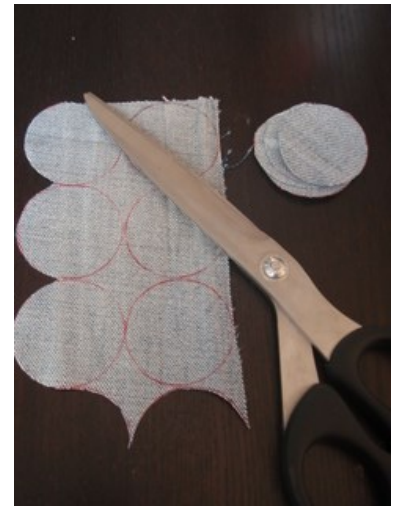
Flowers with jeans

This tutorial will allow you to recycle your old jeans to give them a new life. There are many possibilities in a single pair jeans! We invite you to see this video on Brut where Jamy explains the real costs of manufacturing jeans (in French): <https://www.brut.media/fr/international/jamy-retrace-l-itineraire-d-un-jean-b814f446-992d-4282-8d98-5e79f2ed02ca> . Today we present a first idea.



You will need :

- 6 circles of 6 cm diameter cut from your jeans
- 4 circles of 4,5 cm diameter cut from your jeans
- 1 triangle stripe (2 cm wide, 25 cm long—right triangle) cut from your jeans
- 1 pair of scissors
- 1 needle and thread – thicker thread and needle than the ones used for hand sewing if possible
- 1 glue for textile
- 1 toothpick
- 1 safety pin



Step 1

Prepare 2 circles out of cardboard 4,5 cm and 6 cm in diameter, trace them on the fabric of jeans and cut them out. You will need 6 big circles: 4 circles for making the flower petals and 2 circles for construction of the base—on which you will glue or sew the flower petals.

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Step 2

Preparation of the base and the flower petal.

If you use the glue, you have to wait a few hours before the glue dries in order to be able to sew the petals on it, or else work only with the glue.

The base is constructed out of 2 big circles. You can glue them together or sew them together. When sewing, sew them facing right side to right side and stitching all around the edge making sure you leave an opening to turn them inside out at the end. Sew or glue the little remaining whole. This will give a nicer texture to the finished object.

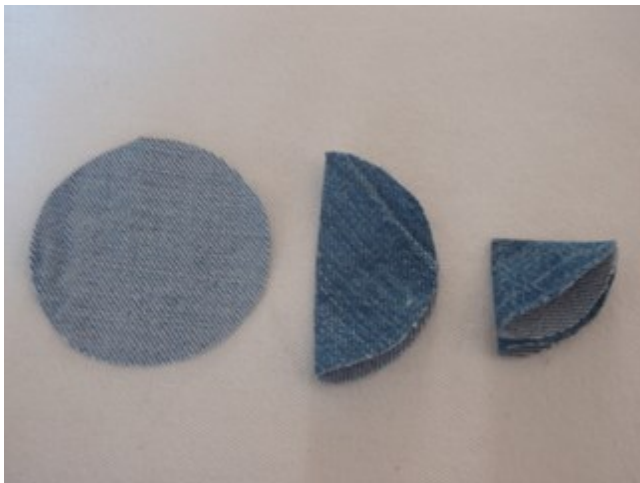
This double layer will give you more structure to attach the safety pin.

Preparation of the flower petals.

Take one circle, fold it on half and glue it in the inner side in the middle. The folded half circle you need to fold again (glue inside) to obtain a triangle shape.

If you are sawing: fold the circle in half, then refold it again to obtain the triangle. Saw it in the bottom corner of the triangle.

When you have prepared all the circles it is time to connect them.



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Step 3

On the base you will glue or sew the flower petal.
1st layer: we will take 4 big circles (shaped into triangles) and put them together one next to the other—constructing a full circle. The direction you are putting the folded corner of your triangular shape will result in different movements of the petals. Here is followed the same pattern; folded on the left side and round on the right side (as you can see on the photo).



2nd layer: 4 small circles—repeating the same procedure as with the 1st layer. Putting one triangle next to the next one. The pattern is inverted, round on the left side, folded on the right side.

Tighten all the petals really good together in the centre of your flower. You have prepared the corolla of your flower.

Now it is time to add the central part of your flower.

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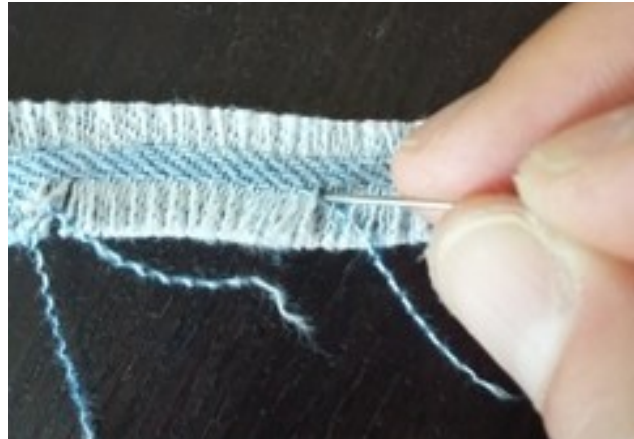
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Step 4

To prepare the middle of your flower, you will need the band of jeans that you cut in the shape of a right triangle (2 cm wide and 25 cm long).

On one side of your triangle band you will need to take out the strings of the jeans (as it is shown in the photo).



Keep a minimum of 0,5 cm of whole jeans to have the stable base for rolling around it. Start rolling from the wider part of the triangle towards the thinner part around a tooth-pick.

On the last 2-4 cm of your triangle, use the glue to seal it together. Now you can glue the bead in the middle of your flower.



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Variation 1

You will need 11 big circles (6cm) Repeat the Step 1 and 2.

Step 3

While assembling these flowers, you will need to attach each triangle that follows so that it overlaps the previous one. Follow the same pattern, the folded part is always on the left side of your flower when assembling the spiral loop.



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Variation 2

You will need 6 big circles (6cm) and 5 small circles (4,5cm). Follow step 1.

Step 2

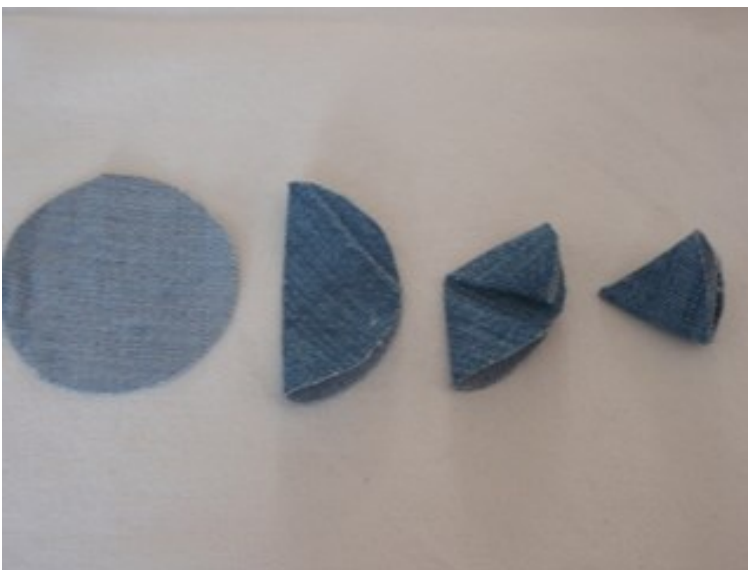
Preparation of the flower petals is a bit different than before.

- Take one circle, fold it on half and glue it in the inner side in the middle.
- Now you need to fold twice the half folded circle to obtain the small triangle. (Glued inside).

First layer of the corolla—place 6 big triangles one next to another into the base to construct a circle.

Second layer of corolla—5 small triangles one next to another, fixed on top of the 1st layer.

! Attention—be careful to glue/sew just in the inner middle circle—and not throughout the whole base—this will give your flower more movement and it will look more real.



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How to attach?

Safety pin

You can glue or sew the safety pin on the back of your flower (as shown in the pictures). Be sure when placing the attachment on to your object, it is good to have 1/3 to 2/3 ratio, this way the broche/pin will sit nicely on your clothes and will not turn over (flip over) while wearing.



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