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Plastic Bag Dispenser



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In some homes, empty plastic shopping bags pile up faster than the yellow National Geographic Magazines. This simple project is one way to bring order to the ever growing number of empty plastic bags floating around in drawers and kitchen cabinets.



We started enlarging the dispenser opening of the empty plastic dispenser container for wet-wipe towels.



Then unscrew to top of the dispenser bottle, and stuff in the empty plastic shopping bags. Be careful not to interwine the bags. Pack the bags in layers the bag on top can be easily pulled out the enlarged dispenser opening.

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Once the container is full, screw the top back on the container. To use the dispenser, flip the dispenser cap up to expose the first plastic bag in the enlarged opening. Pull out the plastic bag. It is a simple matter to reach into the enlarged dispenser opening to extract the next plastic bag.

We were able to stuff about 12 plastic bags into the dispenser. This takes up less space than when the plastic bags were kept in a kitchen drawer.

With the dispenser, the bags are kept out of sight, out of the way in a compact carry case. They are literally at your finger tips when needed. You could toss it into your back pack and head off to the market with your own supply of plastic shopping bags ready for re-use to carry your purchases home.

All in all, we have another example of "Reduce, Re-use, Recycle" for the REEEPP program.