Show your loved ones you put extra thought into the presentation of their gifts by swapping out conventional wrapping paper with one of these unique alternatives. As an added bonus, you may already have some of these items on hand, or can purchase them at discount stores.


- Pillowcase
- Fleece blanket
- Tea or kitchen towel
- Beach towel
- Basket
- Pouch
- Old newspaper
- Decorative storage box
- Reusable shopping bag or tote bag
- Wooden box or crate
- Mason jar
- Vintage cup and dish
- Ceramic or terracotta plant container
- Kid's drawing or painting
- Copy of vintage map
- Leftover wallpaper or drawer lining paper


Skip the plastic tape and secure a package with twine, repurposed ribbons, strips of leftover wrapping paper, colorful shoelaces, a glue stick or glittery nail polish.

Furoshiki is the traditional way of wrapping an object using a piece of fabric that is securely tied into a knot on top.

