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How-to Felt a Sweater

1. Sweaters must be at least 80% animal fiber, most popular examples being cashmere, wool, and angora. Fabric yardage of the same fiber content can also be used. Acrylic and cotton will NEVER felt.
2. Put the sweater or fabric in a washing machine on normal to long cycle with strong agitation. Use a hot wash and cold rinse with a small amount of laundry detergent.
3. Finish by placing sweater/fabric in dryer on a hot setting.
4. If the sweater/fabric does not appear to be firmly felted repeat the process.
5. You will need to clean out the washing machine and especially the dryer lint trap after each project.
6. Having a project in mind will determine the thickness of the sweater you want to use. For example, heavy sweaters make good tote bags and light weight sweaters make good scarves

Not sure what to do with your felted sweater? Bring it to the Re-Construction Zone at the American Sewing Expo and learn, make, and walk away with some great new projects. Rob and Corrine from Threadbanger.com will be there to help and share the experience with you. Now go find some sweaters and start felting!!!