

Garbage Bag Raincoat!



Nope, this isn't the 3-hole Mexican serape that covers your body and gets your head all wet. Wear this, and you'll look like a black Hershey's chocolate drop, or maybe an elf from the Black Forest. A big, handsome elf.

The usual garbage bag raincoat has a hole for your head and a hole for each arm - like a Mexican serape. Mexican serapes are not designed for rain. Neither is the usual garbage bag raincoat. Your head and arms get soaked.

Let's rethink this. Put the garbage bag over your head with one tip of the bottom or the gathered bottom on top of your head. Pinch your nose. Take scissors and cut a 5"-diameter hole in the bag, not cutting your nose, of course. Put your chin through the hole and pull the hole up onto your forehead. Ta-da! It looks just like the photo above, but probably not with as handsome a model.

Notice that you didn't do anything to make holes for your arms. If you need to use your arms, your hands are sticking out of the bottom of the bag. The rest of the time, arms and shoulders are inside the bag and out of the rain.

I'm supposed to warn you that you shouldn't let kids play with plastic bags because they could suffocate. So don't make raincoats like this for babies or little kids. Also, the plastic bags make good raingear but rotten sleepwear. If you wear one to bed and turn over, the plastic bag isn't guaranteed to turn over with you. Even a big elf can suffocate. Consider yourself warned!

Don't wear a garbage bag raincoat into a store. They might throw you out.