



Cloth Napkins and Tea Towels

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napkins from [World Market](#)

Do you like my new cloth napkins? I purchased them at [Cost Plus World Market](#). I've never owned cloth napkins, but for some reason I've been thinking about buying them. Maybe it's from watching a lot of Downton Abbey lately. I don't entertain a ton, but I love the idea of it and collecting all of the fun stuff that one might need for a dinner party. I own several patterns of plates, a beautiful wood cheese board, several different shapes and sizes of bowls, a good set of china, place mats, but never cloth napkins. I have an aversion to getting them dirty. I told my friend Angela I wasn't sure I'd actually be able to let people use them because I might faint if they got a wine or chocolate stain on them. Angela assured me that as long as I pretreat them with a stain remover they should wash up fine. She has used cloth napkins for years. I'm not sure I'm 100 percent convinced, but I bought a few extras just in case some get damaged. She also purchased the feather napkins so I know who to call if I need to borrow a few.



towels from [Etsy](#)

Chantelle at [Fat Mum Slim](#) over in Australia just recently blogged about this same matter, but her post relates to using pretty tea towels. I do own several pretty tea towels. However, I also have an aversion to using some of them because they're so nice. I especially have a hard time using ones that are embroidered. My friend Anne embroidered two for me with owls on them that I love. I tend to use them more to line wicker baskets. I recently purchased a few fun ones from [Stacie Ann on Etsy](#). I love all of the fun sayings and play on words. I will most likely use these, but I'm glad I'm not alone in the debate to use or not to use. I know things are meant to be used, but sometimes they just seem too pretty to use for the task at hand. Does anyone else have this dilemma?

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