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A 12-step guide to releasing your ladybirds and repairing your bag for use again and again.

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1. All you need: one ftt bag, a pair of scissors, clear sticky tape, and your own repair materials



2. Release a ladybird: break the surface with your scissors. Cut around a ladybird leaving behind an oval hole.



3. Trim the ladybird: cut carefully around the ladybird you have released, closely following the edges.



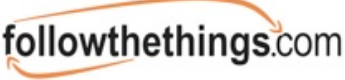
4. Put your ladybird to one side: plans are afoot for their next moves (announced via our ftt news streams).



5. Select your repair material: we chose, for example, a page of photos from the ftt bag's factory audit.



6. Choose what you want to see: place your material inside the bag so you can see it through the hole you cut.

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7. Cut your repair patch to size: make sure your patch is bigger than your hole, so you can adjust its position.



8. Your patch: this is what your patch should look like.



9: Tape the patch in place (i): start on the outside, stick with overlapping lines of tape, smooth down for shine.



10: Tape the patch in place (ii): repeat on the inside. Your patch is now firmly in place.



11. The finished patch: this should be smooth, waterproof and durable. Your bags is now ready for shopping again.



12: Show us what you did: take a picture, upload it to our flickr page & tell us about **your** repair. Enjoy!!