Fabric Choice Matters

*Global feedback informed the fabric guidelines we use for DfG Kits in order for them to work well culturally, physically and durably. It matters... for the girls.*

Fabrics for DfG Kits should be **NEW**:

- **For Shields**: Quality, durable 100% cotton (sometimes called Quilter's cotton)
- **For Liners**: Quality 100% cotton flannel
- **For Bags**: Quality, durable 100% cotton or cotton/poly (cotton/poly okay for bags only).

All fabric should be:
- Appealing Medium / Dark colors, preferably with patterns that help hide stains.
- Botanical, geometric, batik, etc. patterns are best.
- No light colored fabrics that will easily show stains
- No prints with a face/eyes (animals, fish, people, etc.)
- No insects or snakes (butterflies okay)
- No Camouflage / Guns / Hunting
- No solid saffron fabric for Asia (monk robe yellow) Patterns okay
- Avoid Cartoon / TV / Pop Culture / National flags / Words / Glam

Bed sheets should not be used because the threads are usually smaller and therefore not as durable or strong as the quality fabric you buy at a fabric store.