



The *Alem Tote* is named in honor of Alem Amensisa. One of the most incredible experiences of my life was when I met my sons' birth mother. When I asked her what her hopes are for the boys' futures her response was simple... "I come from nothing, anything is better than what I can do!" As I sat across the table from Alem, holding her sons in my arms, I tried to decipher my whirlwind of emotions. As a mother to 4 daughters I was overwhelmed by the weight of her choice. The depth of her sacrifice is still beyond comprehension. The love this woman has for her children is the most selfless in existence. I cannot express the intensity of my gratitude to Alem for giving my family the gift of two sons. Not a day goes by that I do not look at my boys and think of the significance of her offering. I am so thankful for her and I will cherish the memory of our embrace forever. In honor of Alem and her sacrifice, I am committing myself to the care of orphans in Africa; you have not been forgotten!

Bows for Orphans has provided \$2,700 to the care of orphans in Ethiopia just since August of 2009. Also, \$700 was sent to Haiti after the devastating earthquakes for orphans there. Help... us continue to raise money and provide for the basic needs and education of orphans. Our primary focus at this time is on orphans in Ethiopia who will never have the opportunity to be adopted into a loving forever family.

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Fabric: Mary Jane Sorbet
Machine Washable; Allow to Air Dry

Soft canvas fabric with a floral print in a combination of bright and neutral tones. A bamboo buckle accents the band, which can be made in brown, pink, or green. Offers a ribbon closure at the top and 12 beautiful pleats round out this bag! This tote is a must have and a wonderful gift!

Measurements:
from top of shoulder strap to bottom- 28 inches
from top of bag to bottom- 17.5 inches
width at opening- 14.5 inches
width at bottom- 19 inches

