

For Her: A Quiet Gesture of Care

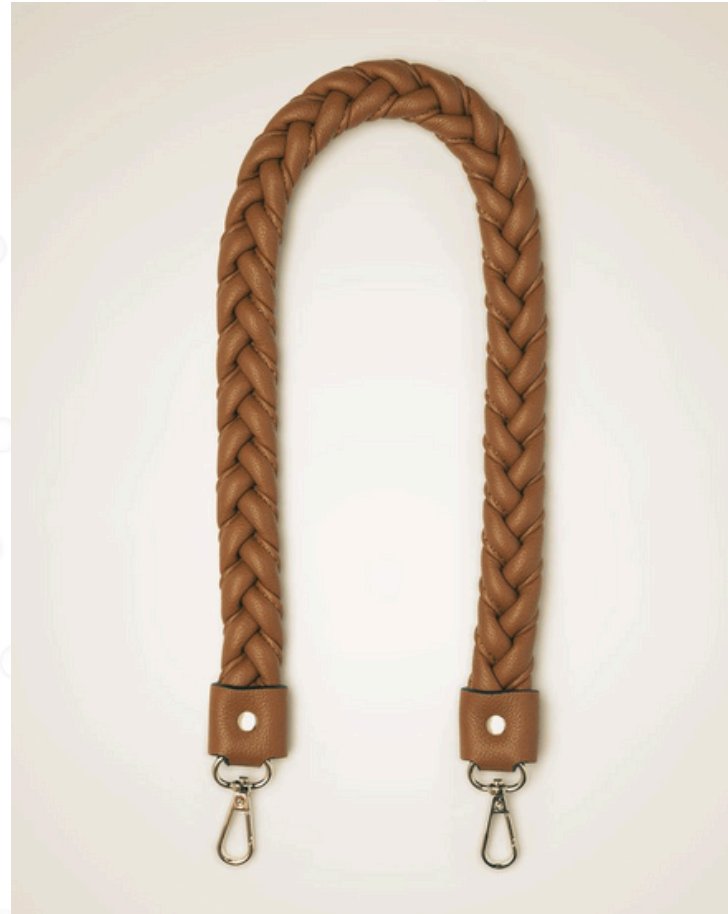
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It started with a ***small frustration***—watching her juggle an umbrella, a bag, and the rest of her day. I realized that design could be more than just function; it could be care, quietly built into the things we carry. This bag became my way of ***listening***, of turning everyday needs into thoughtful details. Inspired by her, this is more than a design—it's a story woven in leather.



The **buckle** came from something **simple** I noticed—she always had an umbrella with her, even when it wasn't raining. I didn't want to just tuck the solution away—I wanted to make it **part of the design**. Now it's right in the middle of the bag—quiet, confident, and always ready. Just like her.



This ***braided*** detail was inspired by her quiet strength. It's a visual tribute to how she ***threads purpose*** into everything she does—effortlessly, intentionally. Beyond its elegance, the braid reinforces the bag's structure, just as she reinforces the lives around her—strong, subtle, and always dependable.



I chose this color because it reminded me of her *warmth*—how she lights up a room in quiet ways. It's the tone of late afternoons, of shared walks home, of skin warmed by sun and time. ***Burnt orange*** isn't loud, but it lingers. Just like her presence.



This bag began as a ***quiet tribute to someone I love***—someone who always carries a little more than she needs, just in case. I designed it to reflect that thoughtfulness: a soft buckle detail for a mini umbrella, a braided lining that feels like a gesture of care, and a warm leather tone that reminds me of the comfort she brings. It's not just a bag—it's a story stitched in leather, made to carry both essentials and sentiment.

Specifications:

The bag uses *full-grain vegetable-tanned cowhide leather* for over 90% of its surface—chosen for its strength, longevity, and natural patina. Details like the braided strap and inner reinforcements use *natural cotton and linen*, keeping the design sustainable and guideline-compliant.

Material	Application	
Full-Grain Cowhide	Outer shell	Composes 70% of surface area
Cotton Canvas	Lining	Natural and breathable
Brass Buckle	Umbrella clip accent	Durable with minimal footprint
Waxed Cotton Thread	Stitching	Plant-based and durable
Linen Pocket Trim	Interior accent	Adds softness and all natural

