

PACKAGED

More than ever before, items are being purchased online to be delivered to our front door safely, resulting in an overabundance of packing materials being thrown away every day. Boxes within boxes, bubble wrap, paper wrapping and tissue paper fill up our exciting parcels to protect our purchases.



It also happens during the many moves we make during our lifetime. Boxes and bubble wrap are purchased to be assembled and taped up, only to be removed and deconstructed again when we get where we're going. Some companies are helping to curb this waste by offering new, reusable, plastic shipping containers you can rent. But, what do we do with the rest?

My pendant is designed to use up excess shipping materials, resulting in a modern, softly lit, textured hanging fixture.

I used leftover boxes from items I purchased online that were shipped to my home in multiple boxes protected by a thick larger scale bubble wrap that had perforated edges enabling it to be torn apart width-wise. I included tissue paper to disguise the cardboard edges and add some texture. Using all shipping and packing materials provides a unifying theme.



Due to the fragile nature of the bubble wrap itself, the lighting solution was of a delicate construction. A cardboard circle was cutout from the box with the white side facing up to anchor the incandescent fixture/bulb and have a place to attach the bubble wrap.

The bubble wrap was bent into a modified Greek key to form an asymmetric pattern and give the shape some structure and provide some repetition to offset the

asymmetry. The color palette was all clear and white to give a more modern feel.



This pendant would be ideal situated in a reading nook above a comfy chair and side table in a clean modern setting.

Once the light fixture is ready to be thrown away, the materials can be cycled and the light fixture reused in a new upcycled light.