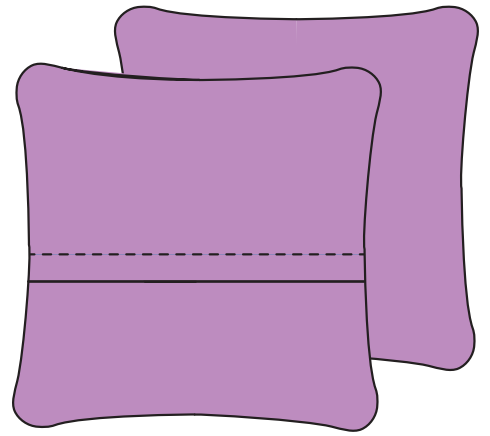


Making an Envelope Back Pillow

QUICK START GUIDE



DIRECTIONS

- Instructions are for any square pillow.
- Seam allowance is $\frac{1}{2}$ ", unless noted.

Preparation

To determine fabric requirement for the pillow back, compute the following using basic fourth grade math skills:

- Write down the **HEIGHT** of the unfinished pillow front: (_____ ")
HEIGHT
- Divide the **HEIGHT** in half.
 $(\frac{\text{HEIGHT}}{\text{HEIGHT}}) \div 2 = \frac{\text{HEIGHT}}{\text{HEIGHT} \div 2}$
- Add 3" to that number.
 $\frac{\text{HEIGHT}}{\text{HEIGHT} \div 2} + 3" = \text{FINAL}$

Fabric Requirements

- Pillow Front, your choice of size
- 2 (WIDTH x FINAL), Upper/Lower Backs

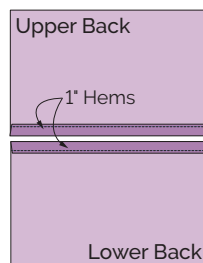
Example: For a 18" x 18" Pillow Front:

- 18" (HEIGHT) \div 2 = 9"
- 9" + 3" = 12" (FINAL)
- Cut 2 (18" x 12"), Upper/Lower Back Rectangles

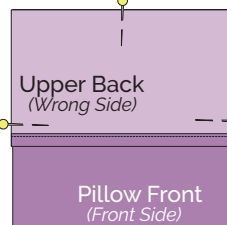
Assembly

Always work so the naps will run down.

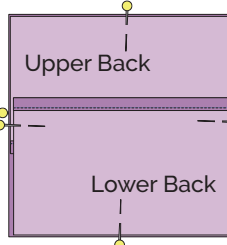
1. On the Upper Back, fold up and stitch a 1" hem on the lower edge.
2. On the Lower Back, fold down and stitch a 1" hem on the upper edge.
3. Place the finished Pillow Front right side up on a flat surface.



4. With right sides together, align the front edge (unhemmed) of the Upper Back with the upper edge of the Pillow Front. Pin at the top and sides.



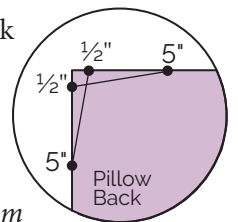
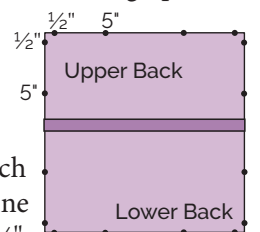
5. Place Lower Back over Upper Back, aligning the unhemmed edge with the lower edge of the Pillow Front. Pin at the bottom and sides.



Note: Both the hemmed edges will overlap at the center of the pillow.

Mark the corners

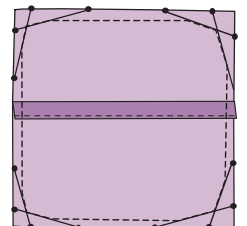
1. With the Pillow Back facing up, mark $\frac{1}{2}$ " and 5" from each corner.
2. For stitching guidelines, at each corner, draw a line connecting the $\frac{1}{2}$ " mark to the 5" mark on the adjacent side. Lines will intersect near the corner.



Note: Marks are seam allowance guidelines to slightly reduce corner angles, preventing "dog ears."

3. Sew the Backs to the Pillow Front, following the marked stitching lines at the corners.

Note: Strengthen the opening by double stitching over the overlap.



4. Trim the corners slightly, if desired.

Finishing

1. Turn the pillow right side out through the overlap.
2. Using a point turner, gently push out the corners.
3. Insert the pillow form, giving a little extra attention to getting the corners filled.