

Sheep Fold Materials:

[Pin Lover's Club Pin-Mini](#)

Fabric:

Green print —

A — (4) 1⁵/₈ x 1⁵/₈"

B — (1) 2³/₄ x 2³/₄"

Back — (1) 5 x 5"

Gray print —

C — (4) 1⁵/₈ x 2³/₄"

Batting — (2) 5¹/₂" x 5¹/₂"

[Wool Roving](#) (for stuffing)

What does Sheep Fold mean?

This pincushion project is inspired by the traditional patchwork block known as the Sheep Fold block. It represents a fold (fenced area) that provides protection for a flock of sheep. The protected green-space in the middle of this block-inspired-pincushion is a perfect place for your special sheep pin to "graze"!

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Sheep Fold Mini-Pinnie



Sheep Fold Instructions:

1. Refer to the Sheep Fold patchwork block layout in Figure 1.
2. Sew the A,B, and C pieces together in three rows, following the layout. Press the seams toward the gray fabric.
3. Now sew the three rows together. Press the seams away from the middle of the block.
4. Press the block flat and trim to 5" square.
5. Now pin or fuse the block to the center of one of the 5½" squares of batting. (This is now the pincushion top)
6. Pin or fuse the 5" square of green "back" fabric to the center of the other 5½" square of batting. (This is now the pincushion bottom)
7. Quilt the pincushion top and bottom separately. I used straight-line and "along the seams" quilting on mine. When finished quilting, sew around the edges of each 5" square (⅛" from the edge). Then trim away the extra batting from both squares.
8. Pin the pincushion top to the pincushion bottom (right-sides-together) with the edges lined up.
9. Sew around the perimeter with a ¼" seam but leave a 2" opening to turn the pincushion right-side-out.
10. Trim the extra fabric and batting from the corners. Be careful not to cut the stitches you just sewed.
11. Turn the pincushion right-side-out through the opening. Poke out the corners and finger-press the side seams by reaching in to the inside of the pincushion through the opening.
12. Stuff the pincushion. Use a dull pencil to poke stuffing into the corners first. Then fill the rest of the pincushion.
13. Use a ladder stitch to sew the opening closed.
14. Add your Pin Lover's Club pins to your new pincushion and enjoy!!!

Figure 1

