

5 Fat Quarters Woven Pillow

Decorative pillows are easy and affordable to create; adding personalized, finishing touches to your home décor. Pick five fat quarters of fabrics that catch your eye, and in an afternoon you'll have a beautiful, new accessory for your favorite room.

Approximate Finished Size: 17½" square pillow

Supplies Needed:

- Five fat quarters (each rectangle approximately 18" x 21")
- 18" square pillow form
- 1½" covered button forms
- ½ yd. fusible batting
- Coordinating all-purpose thread
- 12 wt. thread or buttonhole thread
- Optional: Scrap of lightweight fusible interfacing

Helpful Notions:

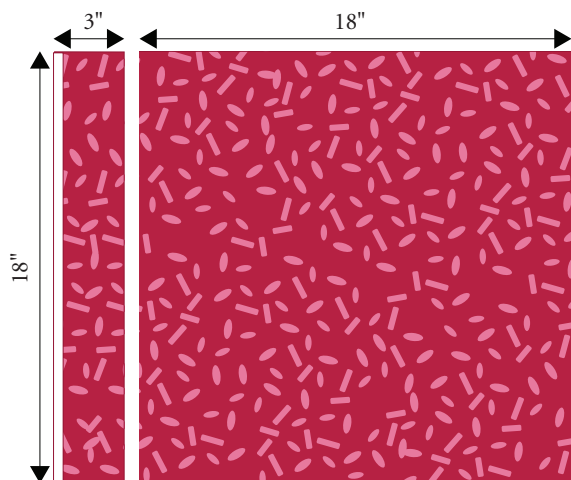
- Rotary cutter, mat, and ruler
- ¼" piecing foot, such as Little Foot® or Patchwork Foot
- Tailor's Clapper
- 10" or 12" upholstery needle
- Wonder Clips
- Point turning tool, such as Point 2 Point Turner
- Optional: Starch or starch alternative, such as Best Press™ Starch Alternative
- Optional: Showcase Throw Pillow Corner Template

Instructions:

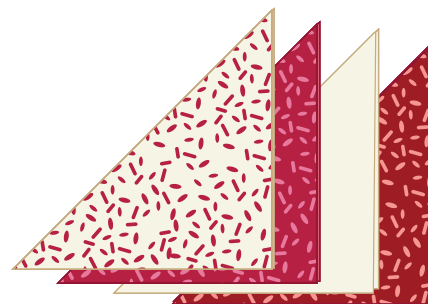
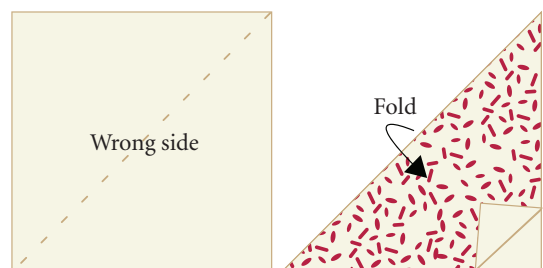
Read all instructions before beginning the project. All seam allowances are ¼" unless otherwise stated.

1. Prepare and cut fabrics:

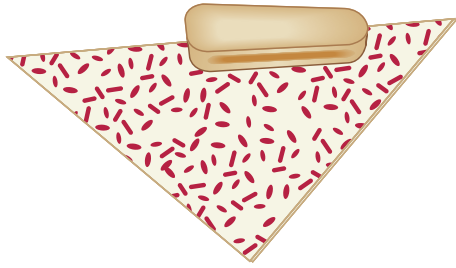
- Optional: Stabilize all fabrics well with spray starch or starch alternative. Let fabric dry completely before folding and cutting.
- From each fat quarter cut:
 - One 18" square.
 - Reserve remaining strips for covered buttons.



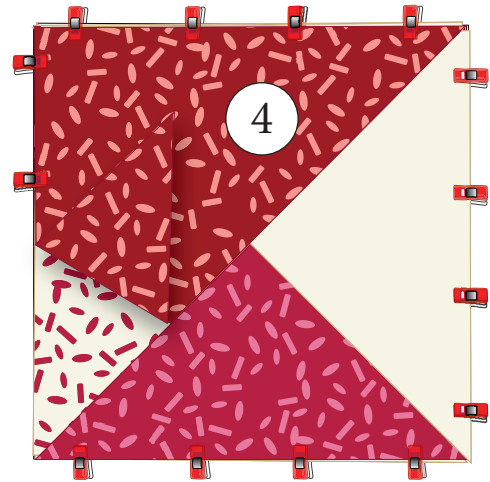
- Cut one 18" square from fusible batting.
2. Layer and fuse pillow backing:
 - Choose one of the 18" squares for the back of the pillow.
 - Fuse square of batting to wrong side of the backing fabric square, following manufacturer's instructions.
 3. Prepare folded pillow top:
 - Fold remaining four squares diagonally, corner to corner with wrong sides together, and aligning the cut edges.



- Press. Immediately place a Tailor's Clapper on the pressed edge. The clapper quickly absorbs heat and moisture, setting the pressed fold.



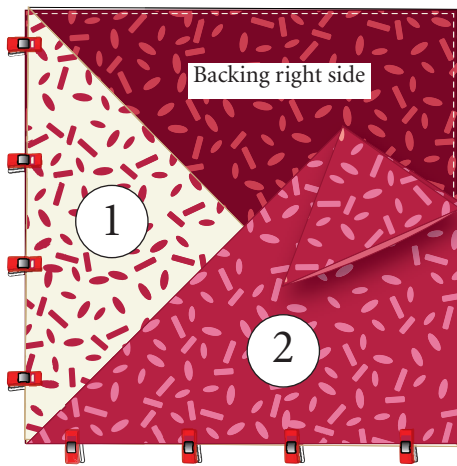
- Pin or clip Triangle 4 over the Triangle 1, aligning upper and left edges.



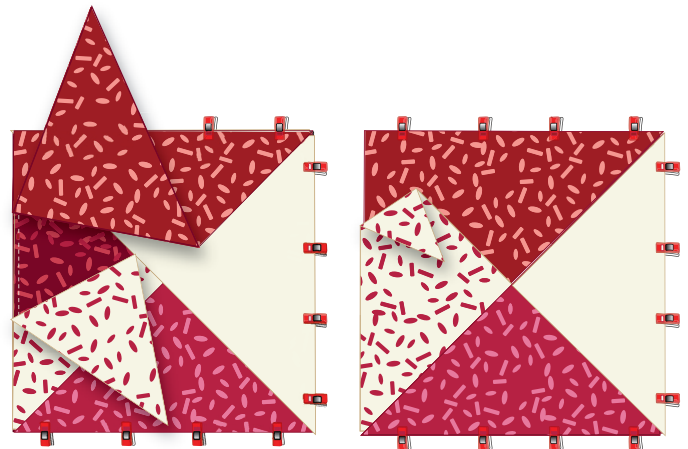
4. Layer, weave, and stitch pillow:

Note: Labeling the triangles 1–4 will help identify which ones to work with when weaving the triangles.

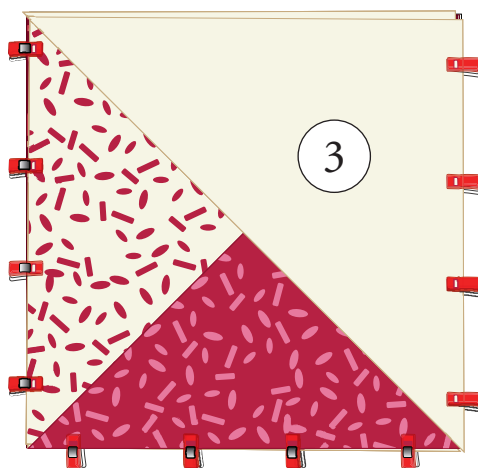
- Place backing on work surface, right side up.
- Pin or Wonder Clip Triangle 1 to the backing, aligning left and lower edges.
- Pin or clip Triangle 2 over the Triangle 1, aligning lower and right edges.



- Weave triangles by lifting lower corner of the Triangle 4, lifting upper corner of the Triangle 1 and placing the lower corner of Triangle 4 under Triangle 1, meeting cut edges of backing. Pin or clip edges in place.

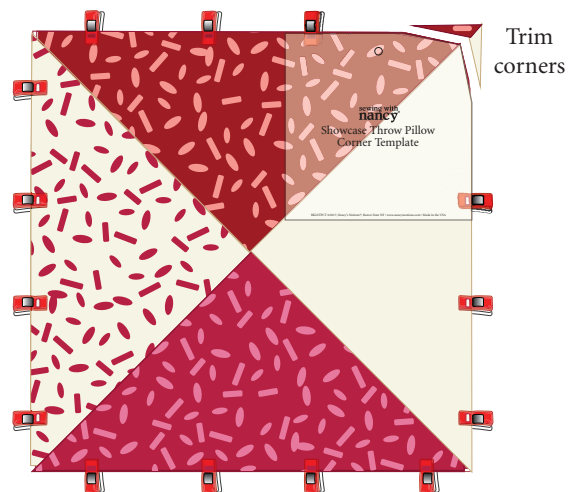


- Pin or clip Triangle 3 over the Triangle 2, aligning right and upper edges.



- Optional: Trim pillow corners using the Showcase Throw Pillow Corner Template to prevent "dog ears".

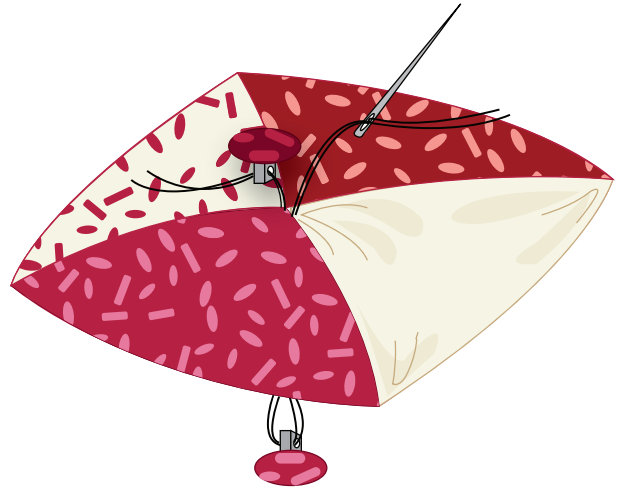
Note: "Dog ears" are the oddly shaped pointy corners that can occur when making square-cornered pillows



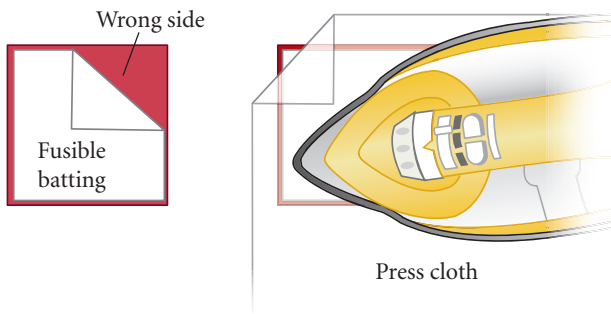
- Stitch along each side of the pillow. Clip corners to reduce bulk.
5. Turn pillow to right side through woven triangles. Use a point turning tool to gently shape corners; press.
 6. Add pillow form and adjust triangles. Tack the pillow center where the four triangle folds intersect.



- Attach buttons to pillow:
 - Use a long upholstery needle, threaded with 12 wt. thread or buttonhole thread, to pierce through the pillow center.
 - Sew both buttons to center of pillow, one on each side, making the pillow reversible.



7. Complete the pillow with covered buttons:
 - Cover two 1½" diameter covered button forms:
 - Select two fabrics from the reserved strips.
 - Cut an approximate 4" square from each fabric.
 - Cut two scant 4" squares from remaining fusible batting, or fusible interfacing scraps.
 - Fuse batting or interfacing squares to wrong sides of the fabric squares, following manufacturer's instructions.



- Tie a secure knot, hidden beneath one of the buttons. Clip thread tails approximately ½" long, checking that they are also hidden by the button.

- Assemble covered buttons following manufacturer's instructions.