

Chevron Shuffle Pillows

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Finished Size 16x16"



Fabric Requirements for 2 Envelope Back Pillow Covers

8 Layer Cake Squares (use more for a scrappy look – I used 12)

Background & Pillow Backs – 1 ½ yards

2 pieces of batting 18" square (optional)

These directions will make 2 pillow covers with envelope backs.

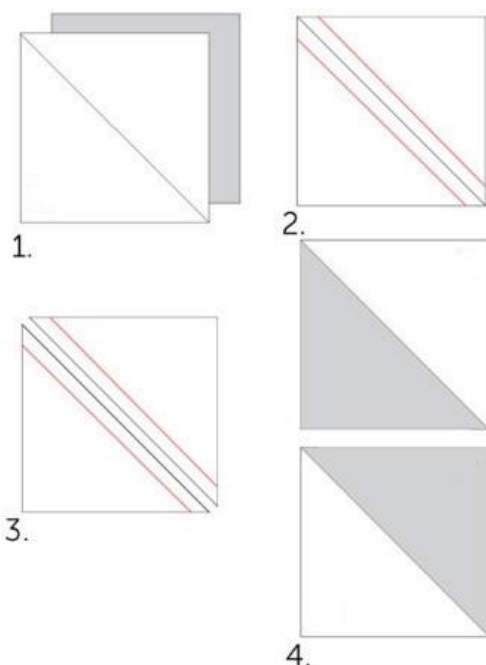
Cut each of the layer cake squares into 9 @ 3 ¼" squares. You will get 72, but only need to use 64 – 3 ¼" squares.

Background: cut 6 @ 3 ¼" WOF (width of fabric). Cut into 64 – 3 ¼" squares.

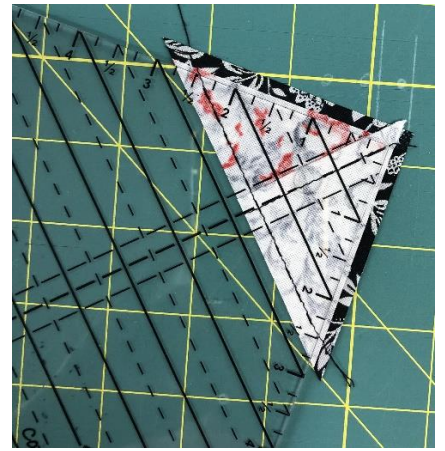
For envelope backs cut 2 @ 14" WOF. Sub-cut to 4 – 14 x 18" pieces for pillow backs. NOTE – if you are not making envelope backs, then cut your backs to 2 - 18" squares.

Half square triangles (HST):

Take a light 3 ¼" square and draw a diagonal line on the reverse side from corner to corner. Place the light fabric right sides together with a dark fabric square and sew ¼" away from each side of the drawn line. Cut along the drawn line to yield two half square triangles. Open the half square triangle unit and press seam allowance toward the darker fabric. Make 64 HST units.



Place one HST on top of a 3 ¼" background square. Draw a diagonal line on the back of the HST going the opposite way of the stitched seam. Sew ¼" away from each side of the drawn line. Cut along the drawn line to yield two patchwork squares. Open the units and press seam allowance toward the background. Trim the block to 2 ½". Trim "dog ears" if desired. I find it easier to trim the block down to size **before** it is ironed opened either by using a Strip Tube Ruler and placing the 2 ½" line on the stitching line (NOT the raw edge) or by putting a piece of masking or painters' tape onto my clear plastic ruler to make a 2 ½" triangle. Repeat to make 128.



Lay out the blocks into an 8 x 8 block pillow top. Stitch into rows pressing seam allowances in alternate directions for each row. This will allow the intersections to have the seam allowances “nested” for easier stitching and matching. Stitch the rows together.

Place the pillow top on top of your batting and machine baste $\frac{1}{4}$ ” away from edges. Quilt if desired.

To make an envelope back: narrow hem one of the 18” sides on 2 of the backing pieces. Fold the hemmed edge, wrong sides together, 3”. Place this right side down on your pillow top matching the raw edges on the bottom. Take the other back piece and place it on top of all layers, right side down, matching the raw edges on the top. Pin all around. Stitch from the backside of the pillow all around the pillow just inside the basting stitches. Trim off the excess backing and batting. Flip right side out. Stuff and enjoy!



Check out a step-by-step tutorial for this quilt and all our other projects on **YouTube!**



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