



Technique:	Machine sewing
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Skill Level:	Beginner/Easy
Crafting time:	Day

This trio of Halloween pillows is not 'sew' scary! Have a little fun transforming basic squares into a Pumpkin, Mummy and Monster.

Finished Size of Project: 15" (38cm) square

Supplies

Fabrics:

 $\frac{1}{2}$ yd (.46m) each of solid orange, solid white and green print Coats Dual Duty XP® All-Purpose threads Polyester fiberfill stuffing, 1 or 2 bags

Pumpkin:

Coats® Fashion Zipper, 7" (18cm), 860 Neon Green Leopard Coats® Bold Hand Quilting thread, 7650 Tango Lime grosgrain ribbon, 1½"(4cm) wide -1¼ yds (¼4m) White craft felt 2 black buttons, 1½"(4cm) diameter

Mummy:

1 yd (.91m) cheesecloth One pair 2" (5cm) googly eyes 8 small plastic spiders

Monster:

Coats® Fashion Zipper, 9" (23cm), black (brass teeth) White, black and hot pink craft felt

Additional Requirements

Basic sewing supplies Sewing machine Pinking shears Craft glue



DIRECTIONS

Note: For each pillow, cut two matching 15½" (39.5cm) squares.



Pumpkin

- 1. Cut two eyes and one nose from white felt using patterns provided. Using pinking shears, cut one $\frac{3}{4}$ " x 7" (2cm x 18cm) white felt tooth strip.
- 2. Using a narrow zig zag stitch, sew felt eyes and nose to one orange square. Using Bold Hand Quilting thread, sew one black button to each eye triangle.
- 3. Cut zipper across lower end and use one half to form mouth. Tuck felt teeth strip under zipper, and stitch upper edge and ends in place.

- 4. Cut ribbon in thirds, knot one end and braid tightly. Stitch across lower end and trim ¼" (.64cm) from stitching line.
- Measure 4"(10c,) in both directions from upper and lower pumpkin corners, connect markings and trim off triangles. Repeat for pillow back.
- 6. Baste braided ribbon stem to upper pumpkin edge center. Go to Finishing, Page 3



Mummy

- 1. On pillow front, position and adhere googly eyes as desired, at an angle to each other.
- Cut cheesecloth into 3"(7.6cm) strips, open and position strips diagonally across pillow front. Pin along edges. Don't worry about folds or even placement.
- Baste around pillow a scant ¼"(.64cm) and trim cheesecloth strips even with edges.

- 4. Using white thread, sew a few random stitches around eye area to hold cheesecloth in place.
- 5. Glue or hand stitch spiders randomly on pillow front. Go to Finishing, Page 3



Monster

- 1. From white felt, cut two 3½" (9cm) diameter circles for eyes. From black felt, cut two 1½"(3.8cm) circles for pupils. From hot pink felt, cut one tongue using pattern provided.
- 2. Using a narrow zig zag stitch, sew white eyes and black pupils in desired location on pillow front using matching threads.



- 3. Open zipper and pin to pillow front, distorting shape. Pleat tongue under lower zipper and topstitch in place all around zipper.
- 4. Using a narrow zigzag, sew three rows of curved brows above eyes. Tie thread ends.

Finishing

- 1. With right sides together, place finished pillow front over the corresponding pillow back, matching edges.
- 2. Stitch around edges using ¼"(.64cm) seam allowance, leaving a 4" (10.cm) opening for turning.
- 3. Turn pillows right side out and stuff to desired fullness.
- 4. Hand stitch opening closed.









