

Striped 12" Pillowcase

With this technique you can bury your home in pillows for every occasion!



What you need:



- Six 2.5" x 12.5" strips for the front
- One 12.5" x 12.5" muslin or plain cotton
- Two 10" x 12.5" rectangles for the back
- One 12" pillow form
- Sewing supplies

What to do:

1. Arrange the strips in the pattern you want for the front of the pillowcase. Sew them together, using 1/4" seam allowances. Iron the seams flat on the back.
2. Pin the block onto the muslin or plain cotton and quilt in any pattern you wish. This step allows the case to be laundered without falling apart. The finished block should measure 12.5" x 12.5," but trim as necessary to make a square. TIP: you can also use temporary spray adhesive or a school glue stick in place of pins.



OPTIONAL #1: If your square from step 2 ended up a little small, then trim the 12.5" lengths of the back pieces to match it. Up to an inch of difference shouldn't affect how the pillow form will fit into the case.

OPTIONAL #2: Quilt the panel.

3. Fold the long edge of one of the rectangles over about 1/4" two times, press, and sew to create a hem. Repeat for the other rectangle.
4. Lay the pieced block down face up and place the rectangles face down on top of it (right sides together). Pin the edges, and sew using a 1/4" seam.



5. Turn right side out and insert the pillow form.

OPTIONAL: Place the pieced block down face down and place the rectangles face up on top of it (wrong sides together). Pin the edges, and sew using a small seam. Then, bind the edges for a more finished look.

6. Get comfy!



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