

SFQG Pillowcase Instructions



Fabric required: 27" ($\frac{3}{4}$ yard) main print, 9" ($\frac{1}{4}$ yard) band fabric

Fabric preparation: pre-wash fabric in an unscented, gentle detergent; do NOT use dryer sheets or other scented laundry products.

Assembly instructions:

1. Lay the band fabric right side up, raw edge on top, selvages down the sides.
2. Lay the main print, upside down on top of the band (right sides together), matching raw edges.
3. Pin the band to the main print. (Pin directional prints so that the band is at the "top" of the pillowcase.)
4. Roll the free (raw) edge main print in a tight roll.
5. Take the long raw edge of the band fabric and wrap it around the rolled up main print to the front side. The band should be wrong side out. Re-pin raw edges of the band together with the main fabric rolled inside. Works best if you use lots of pins and pin parallel to the fabric edge. Only one edge of the main is pinned, but both edges of the band are pinned.
6. Sew the pinned seam. This will form a tube with the band fabric wrapped around the rolled main print.
7. Reach in the tube, pull out the main fabric.
8. Press well.
9. Trim off the selvages and square up the pillowcase.
10. Sew the side and end seams with a French seam.
 - Match raw edges with wrong sides together.
 - Sew a $\frac{1}{8}$ " seam starting with the carefully matched edges of the band fabric. It is important to sew a narrow seam or trim a wider seam allowance down to size.
 - Press well. Trim any frayed threads.
 - Turn pillowcase inside out so that right sides are together, with the raw edges inside.
 - Sew again, this time with a $\frac{1}{4}$ " or $\frac{3}{8}$ " seam.
 - Press again.
11. Deliver your finished pillowcase to Community Outreach table at the next SFQG meeting.