

Seeing Double Pocket Pillows with Fabric Magic



Pellon® Fabric Magic™ shrinks up to 30% creating texture on your fabric. Use it to make these decorative pocket pillows. One pillow uses echo stitching to create one effect while the other uses meandering to create a different look. Make several for every room in your house.

Fabrics Needed

Fabric A: 1 yard

Fabric B: 1 yard

Materials Needed

Fabric Magic (1) 47" x 36" package

Stretchable Fusible Seam Tape (1)

16" x 16" Pillow Inserts Two Pillow Forms x 2

Thread

Tools Needed

Sewing machine and related supplies

Rotary cutter and related supplies

Steam Iron or Steamer

Cutting and Assembly Instructions

Pillow 1

Cut one 24 1/4" square of fabric A for front of pillow.

Cut two 12 1/2" x 17" rectangles of fabric B for back of pillow.



Pillow 2

Cut one 12" square of fabric B for center of front of pillow. Cut two 5" x 9" border strips of fabric A. Cut two 5" x 17" border strips of fabric A. Cut two 12 1/2" x 17" rectangles of fabric B for back of pillow.

Cutting and Assembly Instructions

Cut Fabric Magic™ to fit the 24 1/4" square of fabric A and the 12" square of fabric B. Overlap pieces of Fabric Magic to fit the 24 1/4" square. Stitch the fabric to the Fabric Magic in desired design.

In the sample, Pillow 1 used an overall meandering pattern. Pillow 2 was stitched on the floral pattern and echo stitched around the flower. The closer the stitching, the more the fabric will poof up.

After stitching, steam the Fabric Magic with a steamer or a steam iron. Do not get the iron any closer than 1" away from the fabric. Steam until the Fabric Magic stops shrinking (approx. 30%). Once shrinking is complete, it will not shrink further and is permanent.



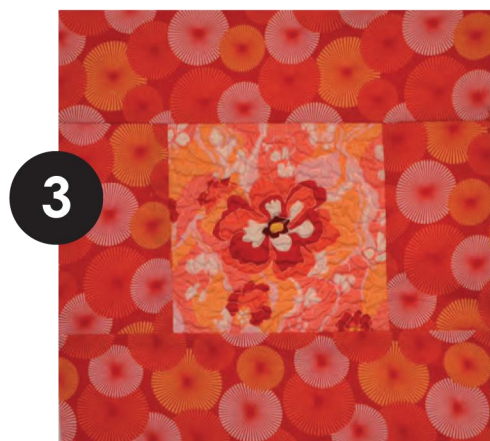
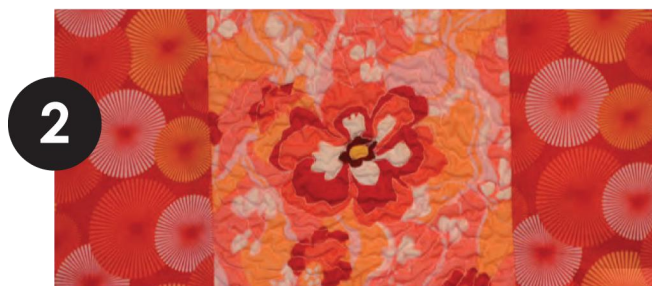
Using a rotary cutter and mat, trim the two pieces just made with Fabric Magic to the following dimensions:

Pillow 1: Cut 17" square

Pillow 2: Step 1 - Cut 9" square.

Step 2 - Sew the two 5" x 9" pieces to the sides of the 9" square

Step 3 - Sew the two 5" x 17" pieces of border to the top and bottom of the center unit.



Sewing the Pocket Back of the Pillows

Directions are for both pillows

Step 1: Cut four strips 17" long Fusible Tape. Fuse one strip onto the wrong side of each of the 12 1/2" x 17" back pieces, 1/2" in from the 17" edge as shown. Do this for all four backing pieces.



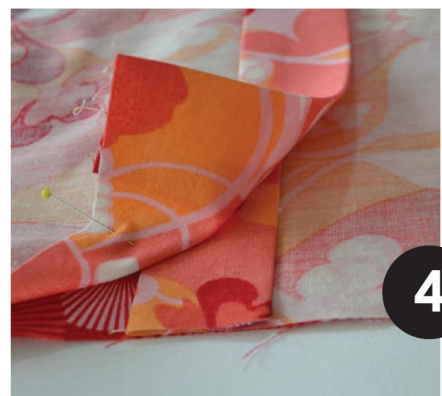
Sewing the Pocket Back Cont'd

Step 2: Fold the 1/2" edge in on top of the fusible tape and press.

Step 3: Fold the edge in along the width of the fusible tape and press.

Step 4: Stitch a hem close to the edge as shown.

Step 5: Place two backing pieces onto the front of each pillow, right sides together. Align the raw edges of the front and both backing pieces. The backing pieces will overlap in the centre as shown. Pin all four outside edges.



Avoiding 'Dog-Ears' While Stitching a Pillow

'Dog-Ears' happen with most pillows, even when the pillow has perfectly stitched 90° corners. Follow these instructions to avoid the 'Dog-Ears'.

Step 1: Stitch around the entire pillow using a 1/2" seam allowance starting and stopping in the middle of one side.

Step 2: Stitch around the pillow again on the previous seamline. Gradually angle inward 1/8" beginning 4" from the corner. Stop with the needle down when stitching is 5/8" from the corner. Turn pillow 45°. Make one stitch. Turn pillow 45°. Continue stitching, tapering back to the original 1/2" stitched line approximately 4" from the corner. Repeat this step at each corner.

HINT: This step may be drawn onto the fabric with a removable fabric pencil to guide beginners.

Step 3: Trim the corners on a diagonal as shown. Trim seam allowances. Turn pillows right side out. Poke out the corners carefully. Insert pillow forms.

