

**Skill level 2
Patriotic Wall-Hanging and Pillow**

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Enterprises

Supplies:

(Fabric will make both projects)

- Fat quarters in small calico prints: 3 red/burgundy prints, 2 white/cream prints, 2 blue/navy prints
- 1 yard batting
- 1 16"x16" pillow form
- Thread in coordinating colors
- Buttons: 3 matching buttons for pillow back, plus 4-6 assorted stars
- 1/4 yard fusible interfacing
- Jute or cording

Note: To construct the ragged edge top, each section will be sewn and quilted separately.

Directions:

Cutting Directions:

1. Press fabric before cutting.
2. For wall-hanging or pillow front, cut:
 - Red/burgundy: four 4"x18" and four 4"x10"
 - White/cream: four 4"x18" and four 4"x10"
 - Blue/navy: eight 6"x6"
 - Batting: four 2"x16", four 2"x8" and four 4"x4"
3. For pillow, cut:
 - Fusible interfacing: two 2"x15"
 - Pillow back: two 18"x13"

Construction Directions:

1. Make a quilt sandwich.
 - Place fabric down with wrong side facing up.
 - Center a batting strip 1" from edge.
 - Top with fabric right side up.
 - Pin to secure.
2. Make quilt sections.
 - Stitch around each section 1" from edge, catching batting.
 - Quilt words, stars, or lines on each.
 - Complete all sections.
3. Assemble.
 - Sew the blue/navy squares together—all 1" seam, forming a large square. Seam allowances will be on the right side of top.
 - Sew the short stripes together lengthwise and attach this piece to the blue four piec lengthwise.
 - Sew the long stripes together and attach to the other piece.

(For pillow assembly, see next page.)



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Directions:

4. Rag.
 1. Clip 1/2"-5/8" into the 1" seam allowances at 1/2"-3/8" intervals. Take care to not clip into stitching. Clip all seams and around the outer edge. This includes the backing fabric on the pillow.
 2. Wash and dry the project.
5. Embellish with buttons.

Add star buttons to the blue sections. Sew the stars in a circle as shown, or in rows. Add more stars if you desire in the stripes.
6. Finish.

Add three jute cord ties evenly spaced to the wall quilt. Display hanging from a tree branch or dowel.

Making the pillow back

1. Fold edge of 18" side under 1/4" and press.
2. Fold again 2-1/4" to the wrong side with a strip of interfacing inside. Press and stitch.
3. Repeat with the second piece. These will overlap and button to make back.
4. Make 3 buttonholes on one side.
5. Overlap folded edge 1-1/2", with buttonholes on top. Add buttons.
6. Attach to top and stitch with 1" seam allowances. Overstitch with small zig zag to secure.

Skill Level: Some experience helpful

**Approximate Crafting Time: 4-5 hours
for both items**

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