

Skill level 2
Wild and Crazy Felt Pillows

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Supplies:

Kunin Rainbow Classic Felt:
2-7/8 yds. Antique White
3/4 yd. Ruby
1/2 yd. Baby Pink
1/4 yd. Red
1/8 yd. Moss
1-1/4 yds. cashmere tan
Two 9"x12" rectangles each Baby Pink and Red
Sewing thread in white, brown, and dark red

Tools:

Sewing machine
Ruler
Straight pins
Scissors
Disappearing-ink fabric marker
Pinking shears
Iron
18" pillow form

Directions:

Wide Band Pillow

Cutting Directions:

1. From antique white felt, cut two 11-1/2" x 19" rectangles (for back). From ruby, cut one 9" x 19" and one 4-1/4" x 19" rectangle. From pink, cut one 5-1/2" x 19" strip. From moss, cut one 2-1/2" x 19" strip.
2. Piecing pillow top: Pin ruby, pink and moss pieces together with ruby pieces at top and bottom of assembly. Stitch pieces together using 1/2" seams. Press seams flat. Trim seam allowances to 1/4".

Assembling:

1. Place back pieces on right side of pillow top, outer edges even.
2. Pin, then stitch around all 4 sides.
3. Turn pillow right side out through back opening. Insert pillow form.

Geometric Pillow

Making patterns:

1. Enlarge pillow pattern 353% on photocopier and cut out.
2. From tan felt, cut one 19" square (for front) and two 11-1/2" x 19" rectangles (for back).
3. Using patterns, cut 4 quarter-circles and 1 square from red. From pink, cut 4 cone shapes.

Piecing pillow top:

1. Pin a red quarter-circle in each corner of tan pillow top; topstitch in place.
2. Pin pink cones centered between red shapes.
3. Pin red square so points touch tips of cones, as pictured. Topstitch in place.

Zigzag Pillow

Cutting Directions:

1. From antique white felt, cut one 19" square (for pillow top); cut one 19" x 10-1/2" rectangle (cut one 19" side with pinking shears) and one 19" x 9 1/2" rectangle (cut one 19" side with pinking shears) for back.
2. From red and pink, use pinking shears to cut three 19"-long strips with each strip tapering from 3" to 4" wide at one end to 1" to 2" wide at other end.
3. From ruby, cut 3 strips as before, but cut 1 more very narrow strip, for a total of 4 strips.

Piecing pillow top:

1. Arrange strips on pillow top, alternating and overlapping colors ruby, pink, then red 1/2" so pinked edges are visible.
2. Arrange narrowest ruby strip on top of central pink strip. Pin strips in place.
3. Topstitch strips using white thread for red and ruby strips and dark red thread for pink strips.

Skill level: Some sewing experience helpful.

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