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Belted Pillow

Change the look of any pillow to match your décor. Add panache to a plain pillow with a band of embellished fabric. This band adds texture and color using ribbon and simple tucks.

Belt Supplies

¼ yard medium weight fabric
Assorted coordinating ribbons cut into 9" pieces (total of 4 yds)
2 yards decorative cords, about ⅛" in diameter.
Two 1½" decorative buttons
Construction thread
Monofilament thread for couching

Presser Feet:

Edgestitch Foot (BERNINA #10/10C/10D)
Couching Foot (BERNINA Bulky Overlock Foot #12/12C)
Button Sew-On Foot #18 (BERNINA #18)

Directions

Cut a rectangle of fabric, 8" x 38". Starting in the center of the rectangle, arrange the ribbons as desired, spacing them about 1" apart.

Starting with the center ribbon, edgestitch it in place, folding the fabric back, creating a tuck along each edge of the ribbon. Continue working out to the right and to the left of the center ribbon, leaving about 3" without ribbon at each end of the fabric strip.

Wrap belt around pillow to check the fit; ends should meet in the center of pillow. Trim ends if needed

Trim and straighten the rectangle if needed. Fold the fabric in half lengthwise with right sides together; stitch the raw edges together to form a tube, leaving a 3"-4" opening in the center of the seam for turning.

Arrange the seam in the back and press it open. Stitch across the open ends of the tube. Turn the tube to the right side and press.

Thread machine with monofilament thread in the needle and bobbin. Select the zigzag stitch; set length and width at 4mm. Attach a couching foot to the machine; couch the narrow cord down the center of the belt with about 18" extending beyond each end. *Note: The opening in the seam will be closed with this stitching.*

Fold each end of the belt to form a pleat and stitch a button on top of the pleat. Wrap the belt around the pillow and tie the cord into a bow. Knot the ends of cord.



Form a tuck when stitching the ribbon in place



Couch a cord down the center of belt

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