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# Pillow Pizzazz Home Dec Fun

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You do not have to redecorate an entire room when you want to update your décor—just make some new pillows! The ones shown here are stylish and fun to make with the BERNINA 3 Series Sewing Machines. Make one, two, or all three options. Then sit back and admire your interior decorating skills.

Pillow with Flange featured in dark spa blue.

## Pillow with Flange - Supplies

- BERNINA 3 Series Sewing Machine
- Reverse Pattern Foot #1
- Zipper Foot #4
- Edgestitch Foot #10
- Open Embroidery Foot #20
- 1 yard of 44"-wide fabric
- One 22"-24" zipper
- Metrosene polyester thread
- Universal needle, size 80/12
- Wonder Tape
- 18" pillow form

## Instructions

### Cut the Fabric

Cut the following:

 Four 2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" x 44" strips, subcut into eight 2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" x 22" strips

- One 18" x 18" square (pillow front)
- One 18" x 12" rectangle
- One 18" x 9" rectangle

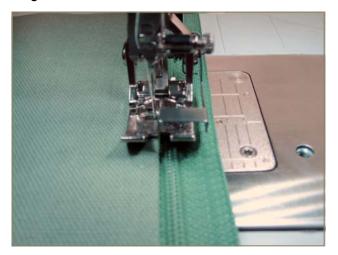
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### Insert the Zipper

- Press any wrinkles out of the zipper.
- Apply a strip of Wonder Tape to the right of one long edge of the 12" x 9" rectangle. Remove the paper from the Wonder Tape and place the zipper right side down on the tape, aligning the edge of the zipper with the edge of the fabric, allowing the zipper ends to extend past each side.
- Attach Zipper Foot #4 to the machine, select a straight stitch, and move the needle to one side. Stitch the zipper from the wrong side, sewing alongside the zipper teeth.



 Press the fabric away from the zipper from the right side. Attach Edgestitch Foot #10 to the machine, select a straight stitch, and move the needle to one side. Topstitch along the pressed edge.



• Apply Wonder Tape to the right side of the zipper.



- Affix the right side of the 18" x 12" rectangle to the tape, aligning the upper and lower pieces so that they are even with the rectangle already sewn to the zipper.
- Stitch, press, and topstitch as for the previous side of the zipper.

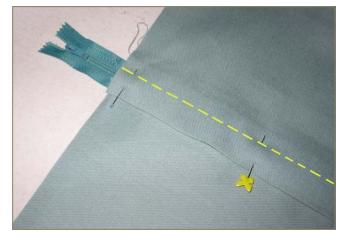


• On the larger rectangle, press a fold 1" away from the zipper.

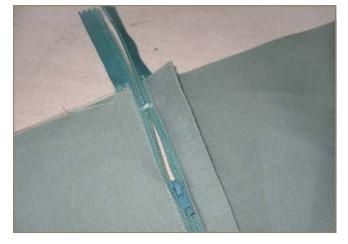


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 Place the fold so that it covers the zipper; pin in place. (Dotted yellow line in photo represents the location of the previous stitching line UNDER the fabric fold.)



- Turn the fabric over and stitch through all layers from the wrong side of the zipper, alongside the previous stitching.
- Open the zipper about 3". Using Open Embroidery Foot #20, zigzag over the zipper tapes at the upper and lower ends, 3/4" from the edge, to create zipper stops at each end. Trim the zipper tapes even with the edges.

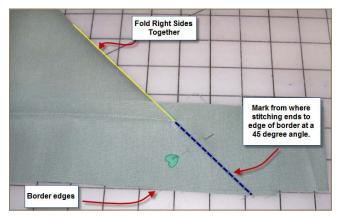


#### **Create the Borders**

- Lay the 18" square (pillow front) over the zippered piece (pillow back). Trim so that both pieces are the same size.
- On the wrong side of the front and back pieces, mark a line ½" from the edges at each corner. These will be the start/stop points for the next step.



- Center one of the 2½" x 22" strips along one of the pillow front edges, right sides together. Pin. Stitch, starting and stopping ½"from the edges.
- Repeat for the remaining three sides of the pillow front and all four sides of the pillow back.
- At one corner, fold the pillow front so that the border edges meet. Following the folded edge, mark a 45° angle on the border piece. Pin and stitch the corner, stopping at the previous stitching. Trim the seam allowances to ½" and press them open.



- Press the long border seams toward the border.
- Repeat for the remaining three sides of the pillow front and the four sides of the pillow back.

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• Place the pillow front and back **wrong** sides together. Pin in place.



• Using Edgestitch Foot #10 and the center needle position, stitch-in-the-ditch along the border seams, through all layers.



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• Stitch around the borders again, aligning the presser foot edge with the previous rows of stitching. Repeat until stitching is about 3/6" from the raw edges of the border. Restitch the last round for extra security.



- To create the fringe, use a pin to remove the horizontal threads along each side of the border. Continue up to the outer row of stitching.
- Open the zipper and insert the pillow form.

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# Pillow with Twill Accents featured in khaki & cream.

## **Pillow with Twill Accents - Supplies**

- BERNINA 3 Series Sewing Machine
- Zipper Foot #4
- Edgestitch Foot #10
- Patchwork Foot #37 or Patchwork Foot with Guide #57
- <sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> yard of 44"-wide fabric twill or denim weight
- $4\frac{1}{4}$  yards of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  wide twill tape
- Two 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" D-rings
- Metrosene polyester thread
- Universal needle, size 80/12
- Wonder Tape
- Steam-a-Seam, 1/4"-wide roll
- 18" pillow form

# Instructions

### **Cut the Fabric**

- Cut the following:
  - Two 18" x 18" squares (front and back)
  - One 18" x 9" rectangle (front flap)
  - One 5" strip of twill tape
  - $\circ$  One 6" strip of twill tape
- Leave remaining twill tape uncut.

### **Construct the Tabbed Pillow Front**

- Fold one edge of the pillow front 3" to the wrong side. Press.
- From the wrong side, stitch along the cut edge to form a hem. (The folded edge will be the top of the pillow front.)
- Fold one of the 18" edges of the pillow flap 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" to the wrong side. Press.
- From the wrong side, stitch along the cut edge to form a hem.
- Fold one end of the 5" strip of twill tape under 3%".
- Fold the opposite end around to meet the first end. Press. Use Wonder Tape to hold the <sup>3</sup>/<sub>8</sub>" fold in place.



• Place both D-rings over the long folded end of the twill tape. Using Zipper Foot #4, stitch close to the D-rings.



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- Position the piece of twill tape with the D-rings on the pillow flap, centering it along the folded edge and allowing the D-rings to extend beyond the fold. Fix in place with Wonder Tape.
- Attach Edgestitch Foot #10 to the machine and stitch around all sides of the twill tape, aligning the edges with the guide in the center of the foot.
- Layer the 18" square pillow back with the pillow front, *wrong sides together*, aligning their lower edges. Note: The folded edge of the pillow front is the top, but does not meet the cut edge of the pillow back.)
- Lay the *wrong side* of the pillow flap so that the unfinished 18" edge aligns with the top of the cut edge of the pillow back.
- Press under <sup>3</sup>/<sub>6</sub>" on one end of the 6" twill tape strip. Use Wonder Tape to hold it in place.
  Secure the hem in place with a zigzag stitch.
- Press the remaining end of the twill tape strip under <sup>3</sup>/<sub>8</sub>" and use Wonder Tape to hold it in place. Position the twill tape on the pillow front, right under the D-rings, letting it extend beyond the D-rings. Use Wonder Tape to hold it in place. Stitching only through the tape and the pillow flap (not through the pillow front), use a straight stitch and an edgestitch foot to stitch close to the edges of the tape, sewing a 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>" square.



#### Construct the Twill Tape Border

- Layer the pillow back, front, and flap again as described above, *wrong sides together*. Pin. Stitch around all four sides using a ¼" foot and a ¼" seam allowance.
- Lay the remaining twill tape on one of the side edges of the back of the pillow. Begin stitching about 3" from the end of the tape.
- Stitch a ¼" seam, stopping ¼" from the end of the side.





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• Turn the fabric to sew the next side. Fold the twill tape up and away from the side you are about to sew.



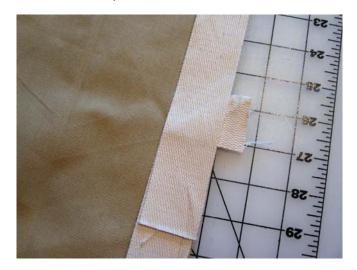
• Fold the tape back on itself and sew a ¼" seam starting right at the top edge of the fabric.



- Sew the twill tape to each side of the pillow, repeating the above steps, stopping about 6" from the starting point.
- Fold the unsewn portion of the starting end of the tape to the side, forming a 45° angle. Press.



• Unfold the tape. Lay the finishing end of the twill tape over the fold. Holding both tape layers together, lift them and pin them together along the fold line. Stitch along the fold line to join the ends of the tape.





Trim seam allowances to 1/4".



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• Press Steam-a-Seam tape along the inside edge of the twill tape, all the way around the pillow, following the manufacturer's directions.



- Press the twill tape away from the back of the pillow.
- Working one side at a time, remove the paper backing from the Steam-a-Seam and press the twill tape over to the front of the pillow.





• Using a straight stitch and an edgestitch foot, stitch along the edge of the twill tape. Also stitch along the corner miters to hold the seam allowances in place.





 Insert the pillow form through the front of the pillow. Close the opening using the twill tape and D-rings.

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# **Pillow with Button Accents** *featured in spa blue print.*

# **Pillow with Button Accents - Supplies**

- BERNINA 3 Series Sewing Machine
- Buttonhole Foot #3
- 1/2 yard of 44"-wide fabric twill weight
- Metrosene polyester thread
- Universal needle, size 80/12
- Four ¾"-diameter buttons
- 12" x 16" pillow form

## Instructions

### Cut the Fabric

- Cut the following:
  - Two 12" x 16" rectangles (front and back)
  - One 12" x 8" rectangle (flap)

### **Construct the Pillow**

- Fold the smaller rectangle wrong sides together to create a 4" x 12" rectangle. Press.
- Mark four buttonholes along the folded edge of the rectangle, spacing them evenly.



- Sew buttonholes following the instructions in the sewing machine User Manual.
- Fold over 1" along one of the 12" sides of one of the large rectangles. Press. Stitch close to the raw edge, forming a hem.
- Lay the large hemmed rectangle on a flat surface, wrong side up.
- Lay the smaller rectangle on top of the large rectangle, right sides together, so that the 12" raw edge is even with one of the 12" edges of the



larger rectangle.

• Lay the remaining 12" x 16" rectangle on top, right sides together, so that the unfinished raw edges if even with the opposite 12" edge of the



other large rectangle. Pin through all layers.

- Stitch around the entire pillow with a ½" seam allowance, pivoting at the corners. Clip corners.
- Turn pillow cover right side out and mark button placement. Stitch buttons in place.
- Insert pillow form and button the opening closed.

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