

Making Your Own Pillowcase

A standard size pillow case measures 20 by 28 inches

What you'll need:

- * 1 yard of fabric (42" to 45" wide)
- * Sewing machine
- * Matching thread
- * Measuring tape or ruler
- * Shears
- * Straight pins
- * Iron

How to make a one piece pillowcase:

1. Fold body fabric right side together. Pin pattern to fabric or measure rectangle 34" x 21". Cut along solid line.
2. Pin sides and bottom end. Sew using a 1/2" seam allowance. Be sure to backstitch all beginning and ending seams.
3. Fold over the open end 1/2" from the top. Press this edge.
4. Fold over 4" from the top. Sew along this first folded edge.
5. Turn pillowcase right side out. Push out the corners. Press

How to make a pillowcase with contrasting band:

1. Fold body fabric right side together. Pin pattern to fabric or measure rectangle 30" x 21". Cut along solid line.
2. Fold contrast fabric in half, cut band 9" by 21".
3. Sew band on top end of body using 1/2" seam allowance. Press seam towards top
4. Pin sides and bottom end. Sew using a 1/2" seam allowance. Be sure to backstitch all beginning and ending seams.
5. Fold over the open end 1/2" from the top. Press this edge.
6. Fold over 4" from the top folded edge. Cover the seam and sew 1/4" along this folded edge.
7. Turn pillowcase right side out. Push out the corners. Press.

Shaded area indicates
wrong side of fabric

