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"Roll IF Up!" Pillowcase Serger Variation with Piping

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Add a strip of piping to the "Roll It Up!" pillowcase instructions from the 1 Million Pillowcase Challenge website at www.AllPeopleQuilt.com, and construct your pillowcase on a serger rather than a sewing machine following our pattern adaptations.

Once you've made one pillowcase, you'll want to make more, so use up some of the extra fabric in your stash to make pillowcases for the 1 Million Pillowcase Challenge. Throw a "pillowcase party," donate your creations to a local charity, and don't forget to add your numbers at the website to help achieve the 1 million pillowcases goal.



Supplies

- ⁷/₈ yard of 45"-wide fabric for pillowcase body
- 3/8 yard of 45"-wide fabric for border
- 2" x 41" strip of contrast fabric for piping (can be pieced if necessary)
- Serger
- 4 spools of serger thread
- Seam sealant

Instructions

- Download the "Roll It Up!" pillowcase instructions from www.AllPeopleQuilt.com's 1 Million Pillowcase Challenge and watch the video.
- Fold the 2"-wide piping strip in half lengthwise, wrong sides together, and press.

 Assembly pillowcase following the pattern instructions, inserting the piping strip between the two fabrics as shown.



 Bundle the pillowcase inside the border following the pattern instructions. Pin the edges of the bundle together, placing pins about 1" away



from — and parallel to — the edge. This will help prevent them from accidentally being cut by the knife, which can severely damage the blade.

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• Following the instructions in your owner's manual, set the serger for a **4-thread overlock**, with decorative thread in the loopers and regular serger thread in the needle. For BERNINA sergers, use the settings below as a starting point, then sew a text swatch and adjust the settings as needed:

- ◊ Upper Looper = 4.0
- ◊ Lower Looper = 4.0
- ◊ Right Needle = 4.0
- ◊ Left Needle = 4.0
- ◊ Stitch Length = 2.5
- ◊ Differential Feed = N
- ◊ Cutting Width = 2
- o Rolled hem lever = pushed in
- Serge the edges of the bundle together.



 Turn the seamed bundle right side out as directed in the pattern instructions. Note that the edges of the border are finished — with no raw edges exposed — both inside and outside.



Instead of completing the pillow using French seams, serge the seams. After serging the side seam, fold the seam allowance over before serging the end;



this will reduce the bulk at the corner when the pillowcase is turned right side out.

• Dab the corners with seam sealant, let dry, then clip off the thread tails.



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