

Simple Cushion

Finished size 18" x 18"

Materials

Fat or long quarters of 5 striped fabrics piecing thread 18" cushion filler

Cutting

Choose two fabrics (no's 1 and 2) for the vertical stripes. Fabric 1 is used for all the vertical stripes on the front and fabric 2 for all the vertical stripes on the reverse. Cut 18, 3½" squares from each fabric. The size includes a ½" seam allowance.

The remaining three fabrics (no's 3, 4 and 5) form the horizontal stripes on both sides. Cut 12, 3½" squares from these three fabrics.

Fabric Guide

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Stitching

Use a $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance for all piecing. Referring to diagram 1, stitch six squares together to form a row. Press the seams as you go. Make sure you alternate between vertical and horizontal stripes correctly. Stitch the other five rows together in the same way.

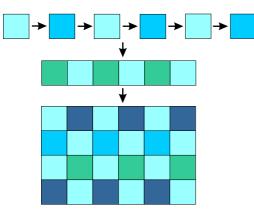


Diagram 1, Cushion Front

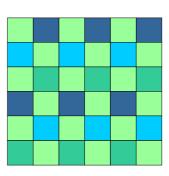


Diagram 2, Cushion Reverse

Stitch the six rows together to complete the front block. Repeat the sequence for the cushion reverse using diagram 2 as a guide to fabric placement.

With the right sides facing place the front and reverse together. Stitch around the edges leaving an opening big enough to insert the cushion filler. Trim the corners. Turn inside out and insert the cushion. Stitch the opening closed and you're finished!