



FREE PATTERN  
"JUST IN CASE"  
PILLOW CASES & PILLOW  
SHAMS WITH TIES



# “JUST IN CASE” PILLOW CASES & PILLOW SHAMS WITH TIES

## SEWING PATTERN INCLUDES:

Instructions and measurements to create your own **PILLOW CASES OR SHAMS.**

Fabrics designed by Amy Butler for Rowan  
All prints are from Amy's Love Collection  
Pattern designed by Amy Butler  
Instructions by Dianne Barcus

## PROJECT ONE PILLOW CASES

Finished sizes:

- Standard-size – 20" wide x 30" long
- King-size – 20" wide x 40" long

### Amy's fabric used for the Pillow Cases

ab-52



bali gate / periwinkle - Quilting Weight

### GENERAL NOTES:

~All seams are 1/2" unless otherwise stated. The 1/2" seam allowance is included in all of the measurements.

~Before you get started, please read through all the instructions.

~Preshrink your fabric by washing, drying, and pressing it. **TIP:** Make a small diagonal clip in the corners of your fabrics before washing to help prevent fraying and tangling.

~The first time a term is mentioned and followed by an asterisk (\*) it is defined in the Techniques & Terminology section on my website at [www.amybutlerdesign.com](http://www.amybutlerdesign.com).

### MATERIALS LIST FOR TWO STANDARD OR KING-SIZE PILLOW CASES

From 44" wide light to mid-weight fabric

- 2 yards for the Standard-size
- OR 2 5/8 yards for the King-size

#### PLUS

- 1 spool of coordinating all-purpose thread (we use Coats Dual Duty XP®)
- 2 Standard-size bed pillows - 20" x 26"
- OR 2 King-size bed pillows - 20" x 36"

### TOOLS NEEDED

- Scissors
- Ruler
- Straight pins
- Fabric marker
- Iron and ironing board
- Turning tool (such as a closed pair of scissors)

Follow the instructions below to make either size Pillow Cases.

### Step 1.

#### CUT ALL OF THE PIECES OUT OF YOUR FABRIC

A. On a single layer of fabric, use your ruler and fabric marker and measure and mark the dimensions below directly onto the **RIGHT** side of your fabric. Follow the dimensions for the size Pillow Case you're making. Cut along the marked lines.

-Cut 2 Panels:

- Standard-size - 41" wide x 35" long
- King-size - 41" wide x 45" long

### Step 2.

#### MAKE THE PILLOW CASE

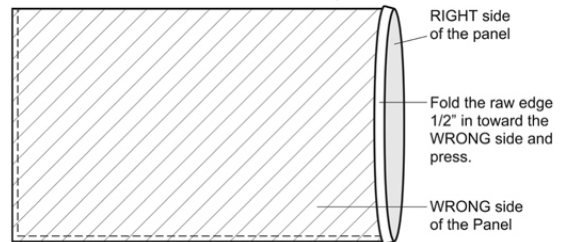
A. Fold the panel in half **RIGHT** sides together matching the 35" edges for the standard or 45" edges for the king-size. Pin down the matched long edges and one short end. Stitch a 1/2" seam along the pinned edge and backstitch\* at each end.

B. Trim\* the seam allowances\* to 1/4". Then serge or sew a zigzag stitch to finish the raw edges. Press the seam allowances to one side.

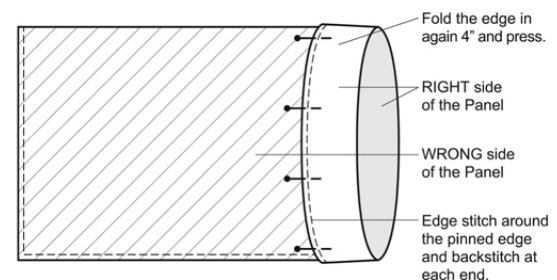
### Step 3.

#### FINISH THE OPENING

A. Starting at the opened end of the panel, fold the raw edge 1/2" in toward the **WRONG** side and press.



B. Then fold it in again 4" and press. Pin along the inner folded edge.



C. Edge stitch\* around the pinned edge and backstitch at each end.

D. Turn your Pillow Case **RIGHT** side out. Use a turning tool\* and gently push out the corners. Press it flat.

Insert your pillow and enjoy!

## PROJECT TWO PILLOW SHAM WITH TIES

Finished sizes:

- Standard-size – 20" wide x 27" long
- King-size – 20" wide x 37" long

### Amy's fabric used for the Pillow Shams

hdabs22



paradise garden / midnight - Home Dec Weight

### MATERIALS LIST FOR TWO STANDARD OR KING-SIZE PILLOW SHAMS

From 54" wide mid-weight Home Dec fabric

- 2 yard for the standard-size
- OR 2 1/2 yards for the king-size

#### PLUS

- 1 spool of coordinating all-purpose thread (we use Coats Dual Duty XP®)
- 2 standard-size bed pillow - 20" x 26"
- OR 2 king-size bed pillow - 20" x 36"

## TOOLS NEEDED

- Scissors
- Straight pins
- Pencil
- Turning tool (such as a closed pair of scissors)
- Rotary ruler
- Iron and ironing board 1
- Rotary cutter and mat

Follow the instructions below to make either size Pillow Shams.

### STEP 1.

#### **CUT ALL OF THE PIECES OUT OF YOUR FABRIC**

A. Open your fabric and press it flat. Use your ruler and pencil, measure and mark the dimensions below directly onto the **RIGHT** side of a single layer of fabric. Then cut along the marked lines.

#### **From the fabric:**

- Cut 4 panels
    - For standard-size - 21" wide x 28" long
    - For king-size - 21" wide x 38" long
  - Cut 8 Ties - 2" wide x 13" long
- Please set the remaining fabric aside for now. You'll use it to make the binding in Step 4.

### STEP 2.

#### **MAKE AND ATTACH THE TIES**

A. Fold the first Tie in half lengthwise **WRONG** sides together and press a center crease.

B. Open the Tie and fold both long edges in to meet the center crease and press. Then fold one of the short ends 1/2" toward the **WRONG** side and press.

C. Fold the Tie in half again at the center crease and press. Edge stitch\* close to the folded edge to enclose the raw edges and backstitch\* at each end.

D. Repeat Steps 2A through 2C to make the other Ties.

E. On the **RIGHT** side of the first panel, measure and mark 6 1/2" in from each side edge along one of the short ends.

F. Starting at one short end of the panel, place the raw end of one Tie to the inside of each mark and pin them in place. Machine baste\* a 1/4" seam across the top of the Ties.

G. Repeat Step 2E and 2F to machine baste 2 Ties onto the second panel.

H. Repeat Steps 2E through 2G to attach Ties to the other 2 panels.

### STEP 3.

#### **ATTACH THE PANELS**

A. Place the first two panels **RIGHT** sides together matching the outside edges. Pin down both long edges and across the short end without the Ties. Stitch a 1/2" seam along the pinned edges and backstitch at each end.

B. Serge or sew a zigzag stitch in the seam allowances\* to finish the raw edges.

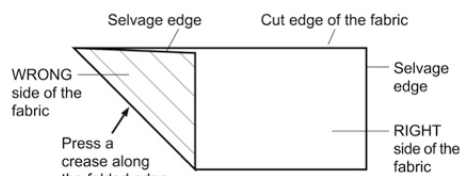
C. Turn the Pillow Sham **RIGHT** side out. Use your turning tool\* and gently push out the corners. Press the Sham flat.

D. Repeat Steps 3A through 3C to make the second sham.

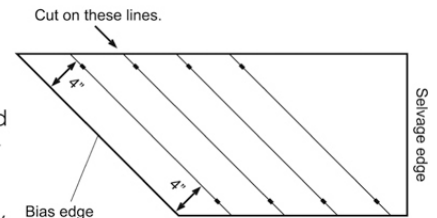
### STEP 4.

#### **MAKE THE BIAS BINDING**

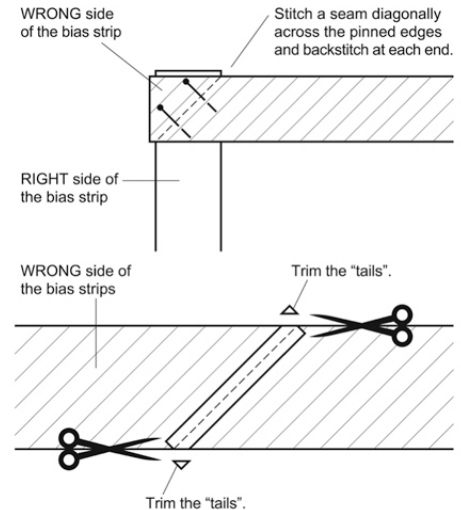
A. Place the remaining fabric on a flat surface with the **RIGHT** side facing up. Fold one selvage edge\* over to meet the cut edge forming a triangle shape. Press a crease along the folded edge. Open the fabric and cut along the crease line.



B. Use your pencil and ruler, and start at one end of the bias edge, measure 4" in from and parallel to the edge and make a mark. Make another mark 4" in on the opposite end. Match the two marks and draw a line. This will create a bias strip. Continue to mark 3 more strips 4" from the chalk line. Then cut along the marked lines.



C. Attach the pieces by placing the strips perpendicular to each other. With **RIGHT** sides together match the edges and pin them in place. Stitch a seam diagonally across the pinned edge and backstitch at each end. Press the seam open. Trim to make a 1/4" seam allowance.



D. Trim any fabric "tails" along the edges of the seam.

E. Repeat Steps 4C and 4D to attach all 4 Strips together.

F. Then cut 2 pieces of binding each 41" long.

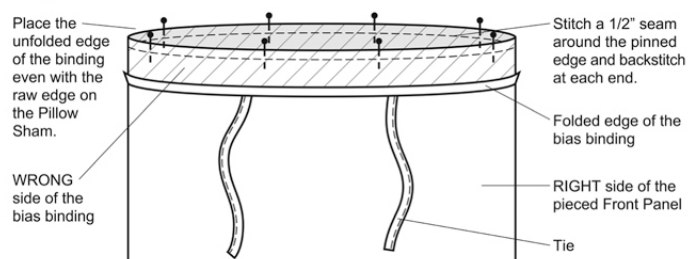
### STEP 5.

#### **ATTACH THE BINDING TO THE PILLOW SHAM**

A. Fold the first piece of binding in half **RIGHT** sides together matching the short ends and pin them in place. Stitch a 1/2" seam around the pinned edge and backstitch at each end. Press the seam allowance open.

B. Then fold one of the long edges 1/2" in toward the **WRONG** side and press.

C. Place the unfolded edge of the binding **RIGHT** sides together and even with the raw edge of the Pillow Sham. Match the seam and pin it in place. Stitch a 1/2" seam around the pinned edge and backstitch at each end.



D. Flip the binding over to the inside of the Sham and press along the seamed edge. Pin the inner folded edge of the binding in place. Edge stitch along the pinned edge completely around the panels and backstitch at each end.

E. Repeat Steps 5A through 5D to finish the second Sham.

Your Pillow Shams are complete! Insert your pillows and tie your shams in place.

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