



Technique:	Appliqué
Designed By:	Lori Harder
Skill Level:	Intermediate
Crafting Time:	Weekend
Finished size:	35" x 35" x 7"

### Featuring Coats Dual Duty XP® All Purpose & Heavy Thread

Adapted from a child's colorful drawing, this artsy sun/moon floor pillow will be sure to please your little one whether sitting on the floor for quiet play, reading or watching movies.

### Supplies

- Coats Dual Duty XP® All Purpose Thread** – 2 spools in contrasting colors
- Coats Dual Duty XP® Heavy Thread** – 1 spool

### Plush Fabrics\*:

- 1¼ yd Shocking pink plush\* fabric for moon (left side) \*
- 1¼ yd Dark Turquoise plush\* fabric sun (right side), sides & back\*
- 1¼ yds Electric Blue Plush\* Scraps of plush\* fabric in bright colors for eyes, irises, eyebrows, cheeks, cheek highlights, mouth

\*We used Cuddle® by Shannon Fabrics – Cuddle® 3 in Dark Turquoise, Shocking Pink, Canary Yellow, Raspberry, Kelly Green and Electric Blue. Click [http://www.shannonfabrics.com/download\\_patterns/Cuddle-FabricsTipsRevisedsewing.pdf](http://www.shannonfabrics.com/download_patterns/Cuddle-FabricsTipsRevisedsewing.pdf) for Cuddle® Sewing tips.

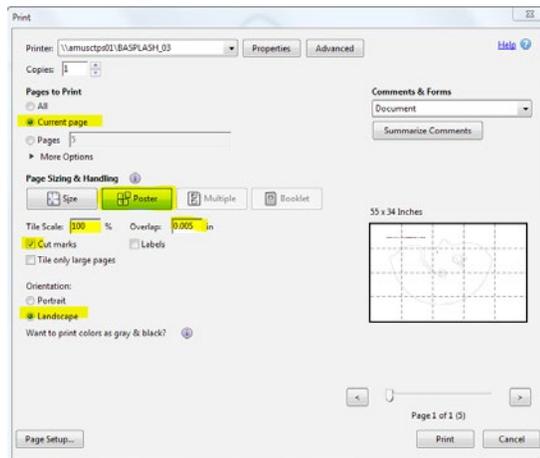
## Additional requirements

- 4 yd muslin or broadcloth for backing fabric
- 2 yd low-loft batting
- 2½ yd 1" grid fabric for pattern drafting  
(We used Tru-Grid by Pellon)
- 4 bags Polyfil (We used Fairfield)
- Basting spray glue (We used 505)

## Create Template for pillow top

1. Create a pattern for the sun/moon profile. We have given you two options for doing this. On page 4, the design is shown on a grid which may be used to transfer the drawing to the 1" grid fabric. Page 6 is a template that you may print with your printer, then tape the pages together. The patterns for the facial features are on page 5.

**Printing template:** make sure to set printer for Tiled or Poster setting and check Actual size or print at 100%. Here is an example of what your settings will look like:



Print out sun/moon profile.

2. Draw a 36" circle on 1" grid fabric. One way is to use the pencil/string method. Using a straight pin or tack, secure the end of a string to what will be the center point of the circle. Tie the other end of the string to a pencil making sure the string measures 18" between the pin and the pencil. Draw a circle by moving the pencil around the center point keeping the string taut. Place the printed profile of the sun/moon face slightly left of center of the circle under Tru-Grid pattern and trace using the photo as a guide.

## Cutting Instructions

### CUT THE CIRCLES FIRST:

#### Cut 36" circles:

- Turquoise Plush- pillow back
- Shocking Pink Plush- pillow front
- 2-Backing Fabric
- 2-Batting

**Hint:** fabrics and batting can be layered and circles cut out all at one time.

### Cut the Sun face using pattern (right side of pillow top):

Cut 1 from turquoise plush

### Cut 8" x 58" rectangles from:

- Electric Blue Plush
- Backing fabric
- Batting

### Cut Facial Features:

Cut 2 eyes, 2 irises, 2 eyebrows, 2 cheeks, 2 highlights on cheeks and mouth from small pieces of brightly colored plush

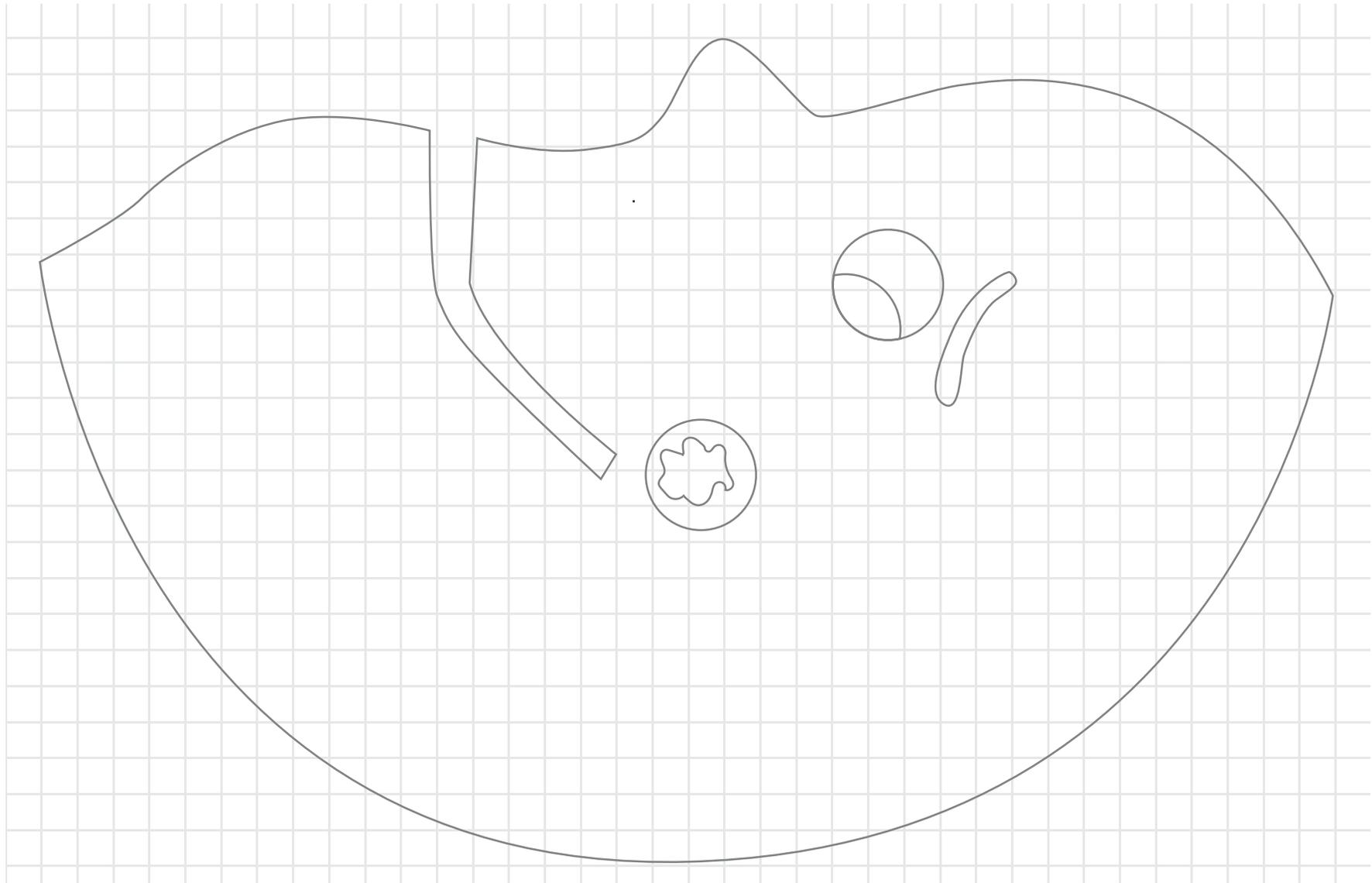
## Instructions for sewing

**Hint:** The pillow top, sides and bottom are layered like a quilt with a top fabric (plush), batting in the center and backing fabric. Use contrasting all-purpose thread and a blanket stitch or other decorative stitch for the appliques. Test first on a scrap of fabric. You will be glue-basting pieces to the pillow top following the manufacturer's instructions for the basting spray.

**Note:** All seams are ½".

1. **Make the features for the faces:** Glue baste the irises to the eyes and the highlights to the cheeks. Using contrasting all-purpose thread and a blanket or other decorative stitch sew the irises and highlights in place. Pull the thread ends to the wrong side and tie to secure.
2. Using the photo as a guide, glue-baste the eyebrows, eyes, cheeks and mouth to the turquoise sun face. Stitch and secure ends.
3. Place the pink plush circle right side up on a flat surface. Position and glue-baste the blue sun face onto the pink circle. Stitch the profile line of the sun onto the "moon". Again using the photo guide, glue baste the eyebrows, eyes, cheeks, and mouth on the moon. Stitch and secure ends.
4. Place the 36" backing fabric right side down on a flat surface. Glue baste the batting to the wrong side of the backing. Glue-baste the wrong side of the pillow top to the batting. Machine-baste around the pillow top, ¾" from outside edges.
5. Layer the second 36" circle of backing fabric right side down, batting and plush pillow back, glue baste. Repeat process for the two side pieces. Pin short ends of pillow sides, right sides together and stitch. On the short ends, trim the seam allowances of batting to ¼".

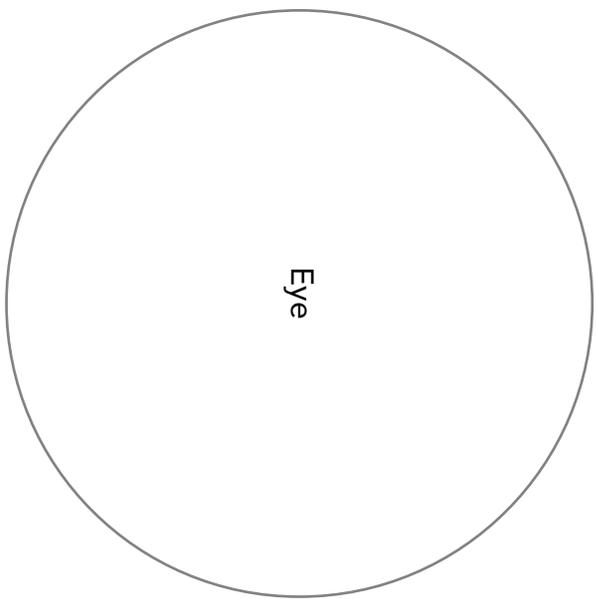
6. Pin sides to pillow top, right sides together, placing side seams at top and bottom as close to sun/moon face seam as possible and stitch. Pin pillow back to sides right sides together. Sew leaving about 24" open for stuffing. Stuff pillow evenly distributing Polyfil. Hand sew opening closed using XP Heavy thread. This thread is extra strong and will make the closure more secure.



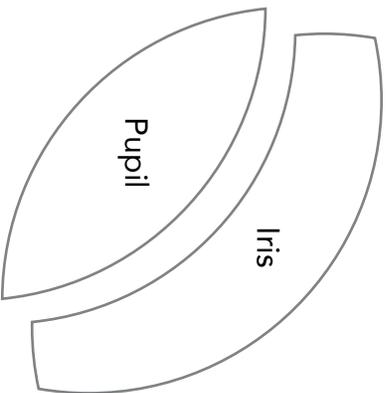
1 - .25" square = 1inch

Mouth

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and right  
side.

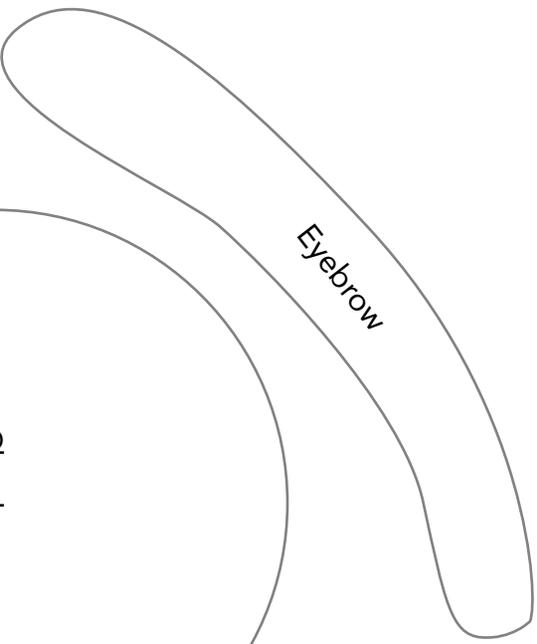


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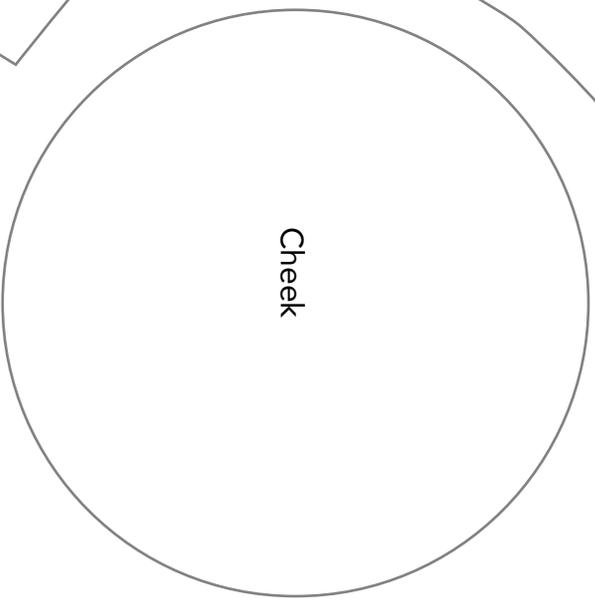


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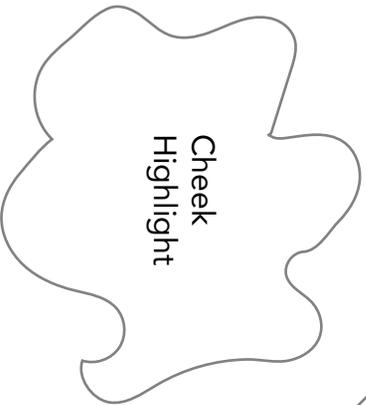
Iris



eyebrow



Cheek



Cheek  
Highlight



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