



MATERIALS

Dual Duty XP All-purpose Thread
Coats & Clark Polyester Machine Embroidery Thread
Coats & Clark Metallic Thread
Coats & Clark Bobbin Thread

Notions required:

Cotton batting
 Chalk marker
 Tear-A-Way Stabilizer
 2 yards (1.83m) pom-pom trim
 1 pkg. red piping
 Zipper foot or piping foot
 (1) spool (9 feet/2.7m) 1½" (38mm) wide wire edged ribbon
 Fiber fill
See fabric requirements shown right

 SEWING | SKILL LEVEL: **EASY**

Featuring Coats & Clark Polyester Embroidery thread

It's always such fun to bring out the holiday decorations each year! This pretty pillow will be a favorite, for years to come! Celebrate those fun decorative stitches you never know what to do with!

FABRIC REQUIREMENTS

¾ yard (.69m) of gray/silver tone on tone weave

⅛ yard (.11m) each of 3-4 assorted white/gray geometric print
(prints should be subtle so that stitches will show)

⅛ yard (.11m) each of several green tone on tone print cottons
(prints should be subtle so that stitches will show)

fabric from each print, then sub cut into two pieces 2" x 22" (5.08cm x 55.88cm)

From green tone on tone print cottons:

(1) strip 2" (5.08cm) wide x width of fabric from each print, then sub cut into two pieces 2" x 22" (5.08cm x 55.88cm)

Hints for sewing with decorative stitches and threads:

1. Put in a new needle. Either an 80 Universal, or a 90 Embroidery needle. When using metallic threads, a Metallica needle will prevent breakage.
2. Wind a bobbin with bobbin thread. It is fine and won't be bulky underneath your stitching. This is better than winding a matching bobbin,

CUTTING

From gray/silver tone on tone weave:

(1) strip 2" (5.08cm) x width of fabric, then sub cut into two pieces 2" x 22" (5.08cm x 55.88cm)
 Two squares 17" x 17" (43.18cm x 43.18cm) square from pillow front and back

From white/gray print cottons:

(1) strip 2" (5.08cm) x width of

and much easier than winding a bobbin for each color!

3. Always place Tear-A-Way stabilizer underneath your stitching. It comes in regular weight and light weight, either is fine. It will tear away when you are done stitching.
4. Set up a sample piece of fabric and stabilizer to test each stitch. It is possible, depending on your machine, that you will need to adjust the top tension so that the bobbin thread does not show on top.
5. The type of thread determines how it should be placed on your sewing machine. Most machines have the option of either having the thread vertical, so the spool turns, or horizontal, so the thread pulls off the end of the spool. If your thread has a regular spool, like most Coats & Clark threads, it probably will feed better in the vertical position with the spool turning as the thread pulls off. The thread that works best in the horizontal position is the mini king spool threads like Coats & Clark Machine Embroidery thread. These

work best when pulling off the end of the spool. Coats Metallic thread comes both on a regular spool, and a mini king spool. Experiment, but if you experience thread breakage, try changing the orientation of your thread.



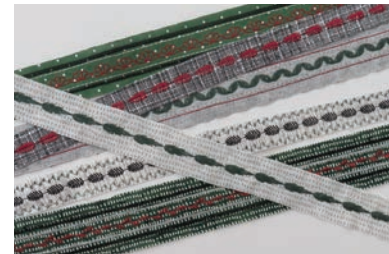
6. All-purpose threads such as Coats & Clark Cotton All-purpose or Dual Duty XP may also be used for decorative stitching.

LET'S SEW

1. Now that you are ready to go, start stitching on the 2" x 22" (5.08cm x 55.88cm) strips. Place Tear-A-Way stabilizer underneath each strip.
2. You can stitch a single stitch on some pieces and multiple

rows on others. Just play and have fun!

3. You need 8" (20.32cm) wide final strip. Our pillow has seven stitched strips, and one solid, but yours may vary depending on how wide your strips are.
4. Stitch 6 or 7 strips, then trim them about 3/8" (1.50cm) from the edge of the stitching.



5. Join them together, and press.
6. Measure the results and if necessary, add a strip or two. The outer strips won't hardly show because of the seam allowance, so don't worry if they aren't stitched.



7. Using the pattern given on page 4, cut two circles out of the stitched strips.
8. Snap on your piping foot or zipper foot.
9. Lay out the two circles on the 17" x 17" (43.18cm x 43.18cm) square pillow front fabric. We turned one horizontal and one vertical and tipped them a bit towards each other. When the ribbons are attached, they will look really pretty! Place a pin in the top of each circle to indicate where the piping will meet. This will then be covered when the ribbon is attached.



10. Stitch piping around each circle overlapping it at the pin and running the ends into the seam allowances.



11. Fold the seam allowance to the wrong side and press.



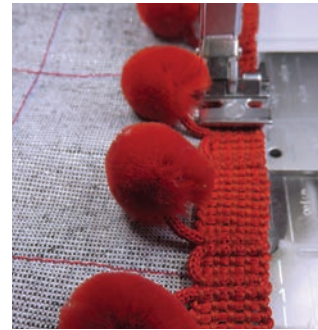
12. Place the 17" x 17" (43.18cm x 43.18cm) squares on cotton batting slightly larger than the pieces.
13. Mark quilting lines 2" (5.08cm) apart in each direction.
14. Thread with Dual Duty XP all-purpose thread.

15. Snap on your regular presser foot.
16. Quilt on the marked lines.
17. Trim the quilted squares to 16" x 16" (40.64cm x 40.64cm).
18. Pin the ornaments on the quilted base equidistant from the sides and bottom. There will be extra fabric above the ornaments for the ribbon.



19. Snap on your zipper foot or piping foot.
20. Stitch in the ditch of the piping, securing the circle ornaments in place.
21. Place the pom-pom trim along the first edge of the embellished pillow front and pin in place.
22. Snap on your zipper foot and stitch next to the woven tape as shown. Start at a corner, and end at the end of that side cutting off the excess pompoms and starting again

- at the next corner. Do not try to turn the corners.



23. Stitch the pom-pom trim to all four sides.
24. Place the embellished front right sides together with the other quilted piece.
25. With the previously stitched edge up, stitch around the square, leaving a 6" (15.24cm) opening for turning and stuffing.
26. Clip the corners, turn and stuff.
27. Hand sew the opening closed.
28. Cut off two pieces of ribbon about 28" (71.12cm) long.

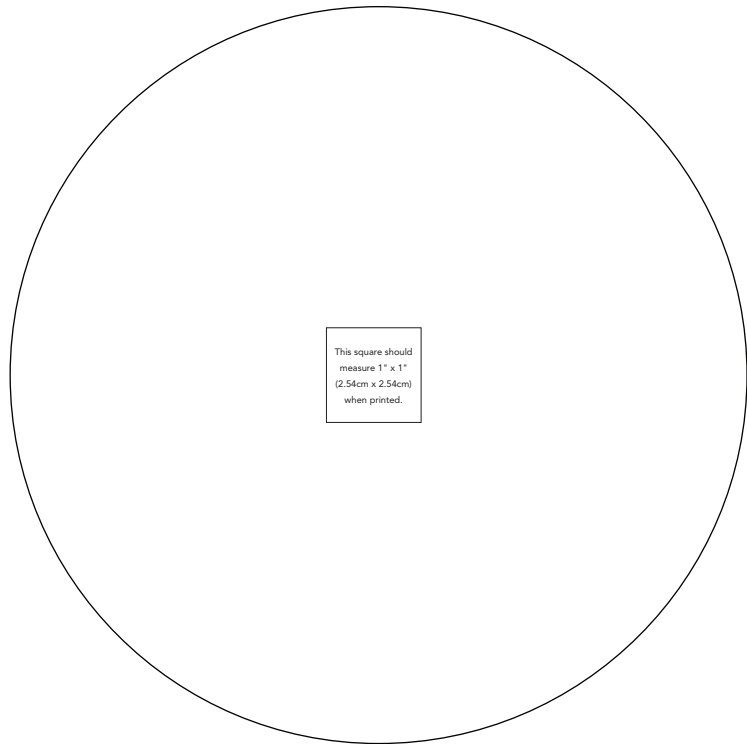
29. Turn under the raw ends about ¼" (.635cm) and hand sew them to the top of the ornaments as shown.



30. Tie the ends of the ribbon into a bow and hand tack it in place above the ornaments as shown.



31. Let the holidays begin!!!!!!



*** Measure templates before cutting to confirm printing at 200%***