



MATERIALS

Coats & Clark™ Dual Duty XP® All-purpose Thread

Coats & Clark™ All-purpose zipper, 16" (40.64cm)

Assorted shirts

5/8 yd (57.15cm) batting

18" (45.72cm) square pillow form

 SEWING, PIECING | SKILL LEVEL: **EASY**

Featuring Coats & Clark™ Dual Duty XP® All-purpose Thread

Keep a loved one's memory alive by repurposing their shirts into a keepsake pillow. Whether they're corporate dress shirts or sporty cottons, the fabrics are great for home décor accents. Plan carefully and you may be able to include a placket or pocket in the mix.

MEASUREMENTS

18" (45.72cm) square

CUTTING

From one shirt, cut:

(2) rectangles, 18½" x 10¼" (46.99cm x 26.04cm), for the pillow back; if shirts aren't large enough for both rectangles to be cut from the same shirt, use two

From assorted shirts, cut:

Follow the Pillow Assembly Diagram to cut the piece sizes shown.

Note: For added interest, cut one or more sections incorporating the front buttoned placket, buttoned cuff or a shirt pocket. Pieces can be cut horizontally, vertically or both on the shirt body.

From the batting, cut:

(1) square, 20" (50.80cm)

Seam allowances are ¼" (.64cm).

ASSEMBLING THE PILLOW FRONT

1. Following the assembly diagram, sew the assorted patches together in three vertical columns. Press the seams in one direction.
2. Sew the vertical columns together in order. Press the seams in one direction.
3. Trim and square to 18½" (46.99cm).
4. Layer the pillow front over the batting square. Stitch in the ditch along the vertical piecing seams. Baste around the outer edges and trim the batting to match the pillow front.

ASSEMBLING THE PILLOW

BACK

1. Sew the center back seam using a 1" (2.54cm) seam allowance: sew 1¼" (3.18cm) on each end of the seam, then baste the remaining portion. Press the seam open.
2. Insert the zipper using a lapped or centered application. Instructions are included in Coats & Clark™ zipper packages.

ASSEMBLING THE PILLOW

1. With the zipper partially open, pin the pillow front to the pillow back right sides together. If you created a lap zipper application, be sure the lap is on the top of the pillow.
2. Sew around the perimeter of the pillow, clip the corner seam allowances, and turn the pillow right side out. Press the edges.

FINISHING

1. Insert the pillow form through the zipper opening and distribute the fullness evenly.

