



MATERIALS

Coats & Clark Dual Duty XP® All-Purpose Thread
Coats & Clark® Machine Quilting Thread, solid or multicolor
Coats & Clark® Dual Duty Plus™ Hand Quilting Thread
Coats & Clark® Dual Duty Plus™ Button and Craft Thread

Susan Bates® Finishing Needles	5/8" (1.58cm) wide white ribbon
1/3 yard (.30m) of multicolor print for pin cushion sides and pockets	3"-4" (7.62cm – 10.16cm) long needle (for sewing on button stack)
3/4 yard (.69m) of gray cotton for base	Fiberfill
1/4 yard (.23m) of white tone on tone print for pin cushion top and bottom	36 assorted buttons of various sizes
5/8 yard (.23m) of Utility Mesh fabric (100% polyester)	Chalk
Cotton Batting	Tear-A-Way stabilizer
	Long hand sewing needle

 SEWING, HAND QUILTING | SKILL LEVEL: **BEGINNER**

Featuring Coats & Clark® Button & Craft Thread, Coats & Clark® Quilting Threads and Coats & Clark Dual Duty XP® All-Purpose Thread

When it's time to settle in to your favorite comfy chair, with your latest project in your lap, the last thing you want to do is get up and go get whatever it is that you forgot! This armchair work station helps you keep your pins, scissors, thread and other essentials close at hand!

CUTTING

From white tone on tone:

(2) squares 5" x 5" (12.70cm x 12.70cm) for pin cushion top and bottom
 (2) squares 4½" x 4½" (11.43cm x 11.43cm) for pockets

From multicolor print:

(4) Rectangles 2½" x 5" (6.35cm x 12.70cm) for pin cushion sides
 (2) squares 4½" x 4½" (11.43cm x 11.43cm) for pockets
 (1) rectangle 4½" x 16½" (11.43cm x 41.91cm) for pocket lining

From gray cotton:

(2) rectangles 23½" x 16½" (59.69cm x 41.91cm) for base

From Utility Mesh fabric:

(See Mesh Diagram on page 4.)
 (1) rectangle 21" x 7" (53.34cm x 17.78cm) with one 21" (53.34cm) edge being the finished selvage edge

From 5/8" (1.58cm) wide ribbon:

(2) strips 5" (12.70cm) long for pincushion bottom
 (2) strips 24" (60.96cm) long for base
 (1) strip 18" (45.72cm) long for thread pocket

1/4" (.635cm) seam allowances throughout

SEWING

- Place the two squares 5" x 5" (12.70cm x 12.70cm) for the pin cushion top and bottom and the four 2 ½" x 5" (6.35cm x 12.70cm) rectangles for the pin cushion sides on cotton batting, and or machine quilt.
- Using Coats & Clark® Machine Quilting Thread or Coats & Clark® Dual Duty Plus™ Hand Quilting Thread, and or machine quilt. Follow the pattern in the fabric, or stitch rows 1" (2.54cm) apart.
- On one of the quilted squares, pin the two 5" (12.70cm) pieces of ribbon ¼" (3.17cm) in from the edges as shown.
- Stitch the ends, near the raw edges, and then mark and stitch 1½" (3.81cm) in from each edge as shown.
- Stitch the four 2 ½" x 5" (6.35cm x 12.70cm) side rectangles together end to end forming a square as shown.
- Pin the quilted top and bottom 5" (12.70cm) squares in place and stitch. Leave a 3" (7.62cm) opening in the bottom one (the one with the ribbons) for turning and stuffing.
- Stuff the square with fiberfill.
- Hand sew the opening closed.
- Select some buttons to coordinate with your multicolor print. We used six.
- Pull off about 18" (45.72cm) of Coats & Clark® Dual Duty Plus™ Button and Craft Thread. Thread long hand sewing needle. Bring together the ends and tie a knot.
- Bring the needle from the top of the square through to the bottom, in the center of the square. Bring it back up to the top about ¼" (.635cm) away.
- Both ends of the thread are now on top, one is in the needle. The ends should be even. Stack the buttons with the largest on the bottom and bring the needle up through the buttons to the top.
- Cut the thread to remove the needle but leave the ends long. Cut the knot off the other end and thread the ends (two threads) into the needle.
- Bring the needle up through the holes in the buttons so both ends are on top.

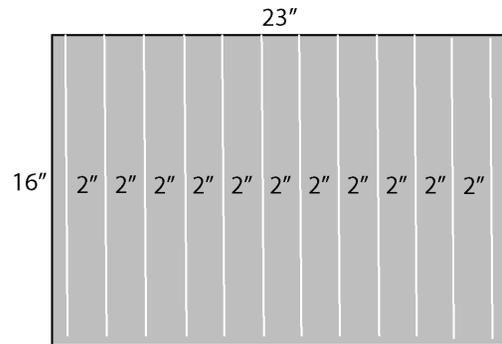


15. Tie the threads in a knot, pulling tightly to “indent” the top of the square.



16. Your pincushion is done! Let’s make the base! Place the two 23½" x 16½" (59.69cm x 41.91cm) pieces right sides together on top of cotton batting.
17. Stitch all the way around leaving a 4" (10.16cm) opening to turn.
18. Clip the corners and trim away any excess batting.
19. Turn and press.

20. Mark quilting lines with chalk, as shown.



21. Thread with Coats & Clark® Multicolor thread top and bobbin.
22. Use the walking foot or dual feed foot if you have one, and quilt on the marked lines. The walking foot or dual feed foot will help to keep the layers from shifting as you sew.
23. Place the 24" (60.96cm) long ribbon pieces and the 18" (45.72cm) long ribbon on Tear-a-Way stabilizer. This will keep the stitching from puckering. Leave in the Multicolor thread and pick your favorite decorative stitch. Stitch the entire length of both pieces of ribbon.
24. Using a press cloth, press the ribbons. Set aside.

25. To make the thread pocket, thread a hand needle with Coats & Clark® Dual Duty Plus™ Button and Craft Thread. This strong, sturdy thread is perfect for gathering! Thread the needle in between the loops in the mesh and gather it to fit the bottom of the quilted base as shown. Tie a knot in each end.



26. Even out the gathers and pin in place turning the short ends under ¼" (.635cm).
27. Using a Susan Bates Finishing Needle, thread the ¼" (.635cm) wide elastic through the top of the pocket as shown.



28. Thread with Coats & Clark Dual Duty XP® All-Purpose Thread top and bobbin.
29. Stitch the sides in place, catching the ends of the elastic to secure them in place. Stitch along the bottom edge, close to the edge of the mesh.
30. Place the 18" (45.72cm) ribbon over the bottom edge of the mesh and turn the ends under. Trim them a bit as needed.
31. Stitch on each side of the ribbon close to the edge, to cover the raw edge of the mesh.



32. On the short end that does not have the thread pocket, place a pin 6" (15.24cm) in from each edge. Pin the ribbon on the inner side of the pins as shown. Start the ribbon about ¼" (.635cm) up from the edge, the pocket strip will cover the raw edges.



33. Slide on the pin cushion and continue pinning the ribbon 6" (15.24cm) from the edge. The pin cushion should be centered. Turn under the ends of the ribbon ¼" (.635cm) on the thread pocket ends. This divides the thread pocket into three sections.

34. Stitch near the edge of the ribbon securing it in place. Stitch as close to the pin cushion as you can, sliding it out of the way. The pin cushion will be hand-tacked in place to secure it after stitching the ribbon.



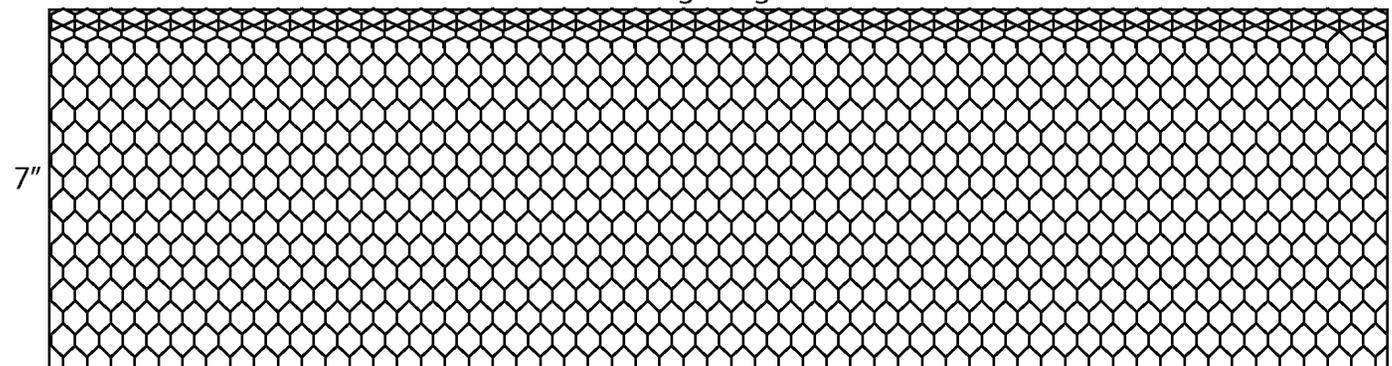
35. With the pin cushion centered, hand tack on each side.

36. Place the quilted pocket strip on the other end and pin.
 37. Stitch in the ditch between the strips.
 38. Stitch the sides and bottom ¼" (.635cm) in from the ends.
 39. Stitch button stacks at the corners of the pockets.



Mesh Diagram

Selvage Edge



21"