

“Quilt Pillow Case”

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These directions are for a queen size quilt, but you can alter them to fit any size quilt desired. As our quilt being stored has an Asian theme, we chose to use a red Asian print for the cuff. This makes it easier to determine which quilt is in the pillowcase when stored on a shelf with others.



Supplies:

- 1 yd. main (Teal) pillowcase fabric (or 2 pieced scraps measuring 20” x 28”)
- 3/8 yd. cuff (Red) fabric
- Tape measure
- Matching thread
- 3-5 Buttons (size and number are your choice)
- Chalk or fabric marker

Measuring Your Quilt:

1. Fold your quilt as if to put away into storage. Lay your quilt on a table or hard surface. Measure the quilt from top to bottom using the measuring tape. Be sure to extend the tape down to where the quilt meets the table in your calculation. Our measurement was 19”. Measure the quilt from side to side in the same manner. Our measurement was 27”.





2. Add 1" to each measurement (top-bottom/side-side). Our new measurements are now 20" x 28" to allow a little wiggle room to get the quilt into the pillowcase.

Main pillowcase body and cuff:

1. Cut two pieces of (your main pillowcase) fabric each measuring 20" x 28". With right sides together stitch using a $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam along the long side of the fabric (28"). Press. Your new piece of fabric should now measure 39 $\frac{1}{2}$ " x 28". Set this aside for now.
2. Cut one piece of cuff fabric measuring 39 $\frac{1}{2}$ " x 13" (this can be pieced if desired). With right sides together pin cuff to body of pillowcase.



3. From the bottom, roll up main fabric (Teal) until you can see the bottom edge of the cuff fabric (Red)



4. Bring bottom of cuff up and pin along the top edge. There should be three layers of fabric being pinned (Red, Teal, Red). The main fabric will be rolled up inside the tube.



5. With a $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam, sew across all three pinned layers being careful not to catch any of the rolled up fabric. Pull the body of the pillowcase out from one end. Iron the cuff and pillowcase.



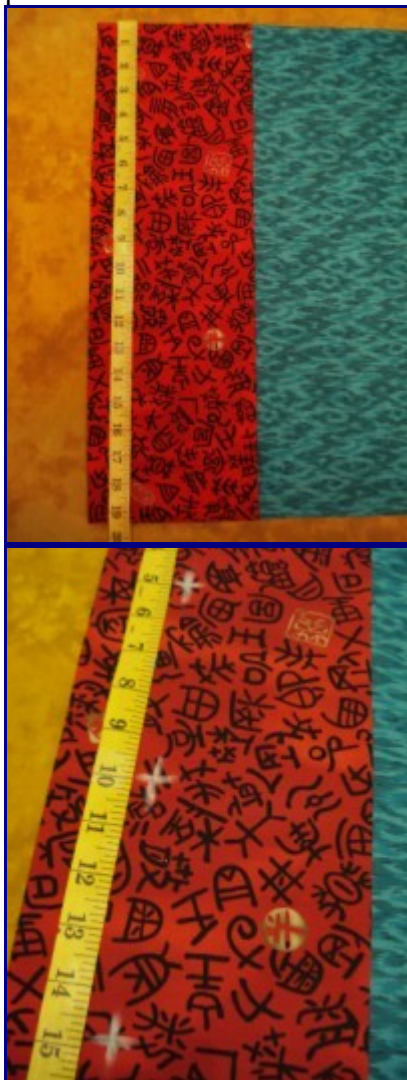
6. Fold pillowcase right sides together. Pin along raw edges. With a $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam, sew along the side and bottom of the pillowcase. Turn right side out and iron.



Buttonholes and Buttons:

The number of buttons you will need is up to you. We decided to use three.

1. Measure the pillowcase cuff from side to side. Divide this number by the number 4. My cuff measurement was close to 20" so my final number was 5. Mark the cuff with chalk every 5". Make another mark 2" from the cuff edge. These chalk marks indicate the buttonhole placements.





2. Sew buttonholes. Carefully snip open the buttonholes. Lay the pillowcase flat and use your chalk to indicate the button location by marking through the buttonhole to the inside of the cuff. Attach your buttons. Your pillowcase is now completed. Insert your quilt and button the case shut. Your quilt will now be stored safely away from dust and sunlight.

