

# MAKE YOUR OWN PILLOWCASE

For ONE regular size pillowcase you need:

1 - 25" x 40" piece of fabric ("main")

1 - 10" x 40" piece of fabric ("trim")

1 - 2" x 40" piece of fabric ("accent")

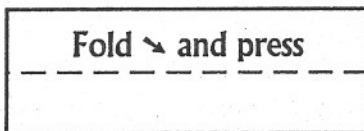
Note: All seam allowances are 1/4".

## Directions

### Step 1

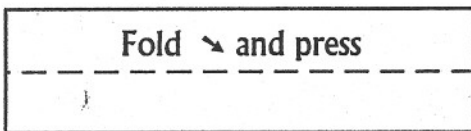
Fold the "accent" fabric in half, down its length (right side out), and press.

Now it is 1" x 40"



Fold the "trim" fabric in half, down its length (right side out), and press.

Now it is 5" x 40"



### Step 2

With the "main" fabric right side up, place the "accent" fabric on top matching one long edge. (It's helpful to hand baste these together before proceeding.)

Next place the "trim" fabric on top of the "accent" fabric matching the same long edge.

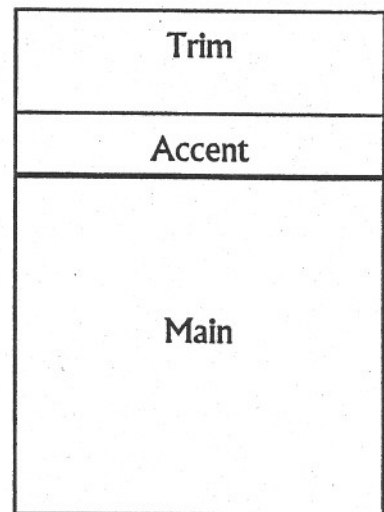
You now have a fabric sandwich with the "accent" piece in the middle.

### Step 3

Sew all 3 pieces together along the long edge of the fabric. Remove any basting thread.

### Step 4

Press the seam allowance toward the "main" fabric with the "trim" and "accent" fabric pressed away from the "main" fabric. Finish the seam (raw edge) in any manner you like (e.g. serging).



### Step 5

Fold the entire piece in half widthwise. Sew along the bottom edge and side to create the pillowcase. Finish the seams however you like (e.g. serging, French seams).

**Directions for French seams** - With the pillowcase fabric right side out and edge to edge, sew the edges together with a scant 1/4" seam. Press and trim it to 1/8". Turn pillowcase inside out. Square the corners at the bottom, and finger-press around the stitched side and bottom seams. Stitch a 1/4" seam along the previously sewn side and bottom of the pillowcase to enclose the raw edge.