

How To Make a Pillowcase

Before you begin, please read the entire pattern.

These patterns are designed for sewists of any level and can be made with a sewing machine or by hand sewing. When cutting the fabric, we suggest using pinking shears to prevent the edges from fraying or you can use your sewing machine and run a Zig Zag stitch along the edges.

Begin by selecting your fabric. We suggest a cotton blend or flannel. We suggest dark fabric or prints to hide stains, and please be sure to select prints that both men and women would be comfortable using.

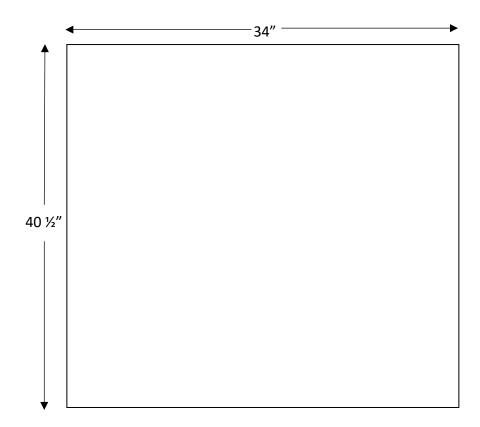
If using a machine, you are welcome to use a simple straight stitch to make the pillowcase. If sewing by hand, you can use a whipstitch or backstitch to close your edges, and a backstitch to sew the hem. Or if you have a stitch you prefer, feel free to use it.

These patterns will make Queen Size pillowcases.

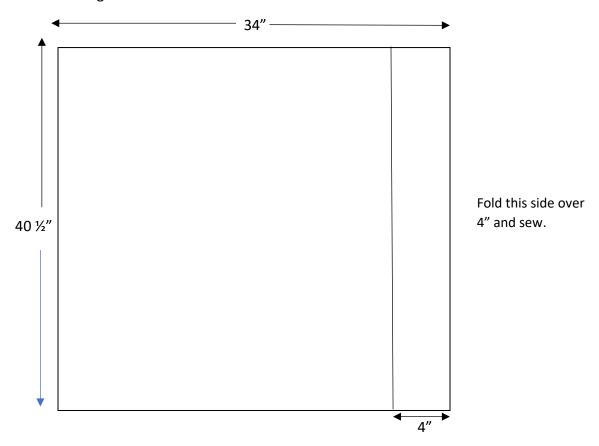
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Pattern 1

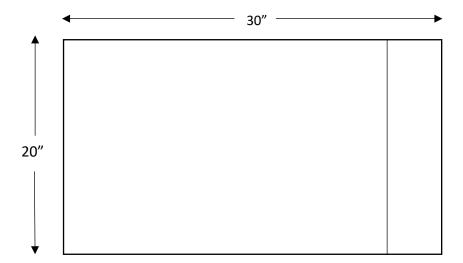
Begin by cutting a piece of fabric 40 %" by 34" and lay it on your table with the good side down.



Next fold a 4" hem along one of the 40 %" sides and sew the hem.



Next, fold the fabric in half along the 40 $\frac{1}{2}$ " side to create a rectangle that is 30" x 20 $\frac{1}{4}$ " and sew a $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam around the open sides.

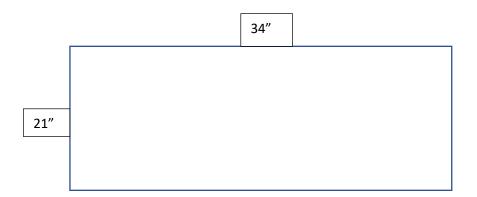


Turn the pillowcase inside out, press the seams, and you're done!

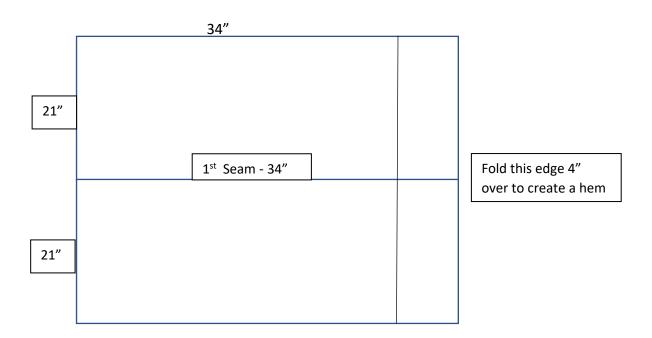
Pattern 2

This pattern allows you to make a pillowcase with two smaller pieces of fabric vs just one. You are welcome to use two complimentary pieces of fabric that have a different pattern or colors.

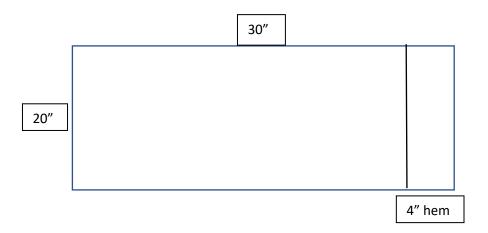
Begin by cutting two pieces of fabric 21" x 34"



Next, lay one on top of the other with the good side facing in. Sew a seam along **one** of the 34" sides. After the seam is done, open the piece and lay it flat with the good side facing down. Fold the edge over 4" and sew to create a 4" hem along the edge.



Next, fold the sides back to their original position with one side on top of the other and the good side inside. Sew the other two edges together making a $\frac{1}{2}$ " seam.



Turn the pillowcase inside out, press the seams flat, and you're done!