



COOL TOOL – SEWING MACHINE PIN CUSHION

Make Your Beach Bag Instructions

1. Preview of Completed Sewing Machine Pin Cushion

Play this video and check out this great Pin Cushion that YOU will make!



2. Tools and Resources Required

- 1) Fabric – 19 inches x 12 inches (48cm x 30cm) for a sewing machine 7 inches (17.5cm) wide across the base.
- 2) Wadding – 11 inches x 3 1/2 – 4 inches (27cm x 10cm)
- 3) Matching thread
- 4) Ruler/tape measure
- 5) Marking pen/Taylor's chalk
- 6) Fabric scissors/Rotary Blade
- 7) Pins
- 8) Zipper Foot for sewing machine is optional



3. Cutting Out Fabric

- 1) Cut out rectangle 19 inches x 12 inches (48cm x 30cm) for a sewing machine 7 inches wide.
- 2) Cut out rectangle 17 inches x 12 inches (42.5cm x 30cm) for a sewing machine 9 inches wide.
- 3) Cut out rectangle 15 inches x 12 inches (37.5cm x 30cm) for a sewing machine 5 inches wide.



4. Preparing the Wadding

- 1) Roll the first piece of wadding tightly into a long sausage and pin.
- 2) Tie some thread to one end of the wadding sausage. Wrap the thread around the sausage from one end to the other so that the sausage keeps its shape when the pins are removed. Cut the thread and tie a knot in the end.
- 3) Remove pins
- 4) Repeat with the second piece of wadding.

5. Sewing Seams

- 1) Fold the fabric in half along the long side so that the right sides are together, matching raw edges. Pin along the long side of our rectangle.
- 2) Sew $\frac{1}{4}$ inch (6mm) seam.
- 3) Move this seam so that it is in the centre when you match the raw edges of the short side of the rectangle. Pin along short side.
- 4) Sew $\frac{1}{4}$ inch (6mm) seam.
- 5) Turn to the right side.

6. Insert Wadding

- 1) Take the first wadding sausage and push it into the pin cushion along the long side. Pin the two pieces of fabric together along the edge of the wadding to hold it firmly in place. Repeat on the other side with the second piece of wadding sausage.
- 2) Turn raw edges of the end of the pin cushion down $\frac{1}{4}$ inch (6mm) and match both top and bottom together. Pin.

7. Sewing End Seam

- 1) Sew straight stitch along the end seam close to the edge.



8. Sewing Wadding in Place

- 1) Stitch a row of straight stitches all the way down close to the wadding using the zipper foot if you have one as this allows you to be closer to the wadding.
- 2) Repeat on the other side.

9. Congratulations YOU did it!

- 1) Celebrate! YOU made a fantastic Pin Cushion for your Sewing Machine. Well done!