

“Personalized Ring Bearer Pillow”

Take a day off from menu planning and cake tasting and make something both personal and unique for your wedding.

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Supplies:

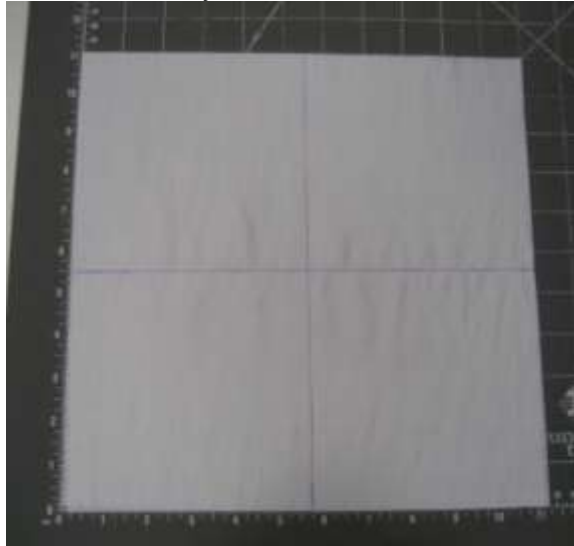
Baby Lock Sofia or other Sewing/Embroidery Machine
 1/3 yard satin or taffeta
 1/3 yard broadcloth
 2” covered button
 1/2” simple button
 1 yard 1 1/2” wide ribbon
 2 yards 1/4” wide ribbon
 Fiberfill, enough to fill pillow
 LetterWorks III by Designer’s Gallery
 Embroidery thread
 Tear Away stabilizer
 Air erasable fabric marker
 All-purpose thread
 Long hand sewing needle
 Tape measure
 Scissors



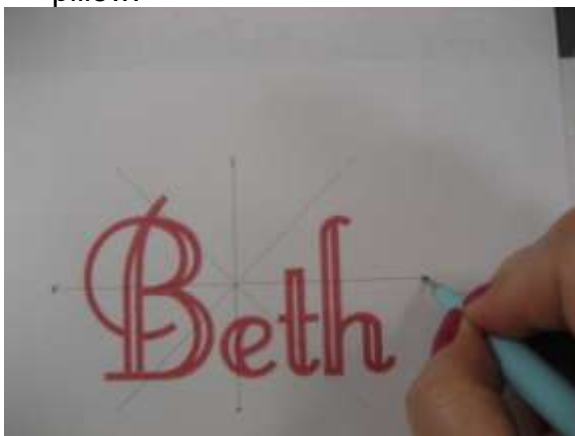
Instructions:

1. From the broadcloth, cut 2 11” squares; these will be used for the inner pillow. Cut 2 11” squares from the satin or taffeta also; these will be used for the outer pillow. Cut one more piece from the satin or taffeta, a 6” square; this will be used for the covered button.
2. Create the inner pillow first by placing the 2 squares together, matching the edges. With your machine set up for sewing, sew around the outside edge using a 1/2” seam allowance. Leave a 6” opening along one edge for turning and stuffing.
3. Trim the corners to remove some of the bulk and turn the pillow right side out. Stuff with the fiberfill until it is nice and fluffy.
4. With a hand sewing needle, whipstitch the opening closed. The inner pillow is finished. Set it aside while you finish the outer pillow.

5. Working with one of the outer pillow squares, divide it into four sections. This will help you to determine the size of your names.



6. At your computer, open LetterWorks III. Select the text tool and click in the design page creating a text file.
7. Choose the desired font from the fly out menu. Little Lord Fontleroy was used in this pillow. Choose a font that fits the style of the wedding, keeping in mind the length of the names.
8. Type the first name in the text entry box. Check the size to make sure it will fit in the space available on your pillow. You can find the size across the top of the screen in the title bar.
9. Save this to the proper media for your machine. Print a template to make placement easier. Repeat this for the second name.
10. To make the initial for the button, follow the same steps but limit the size of the initial to 1".
11. Using the printed template, mark the placement for the first name on the outer pillow.

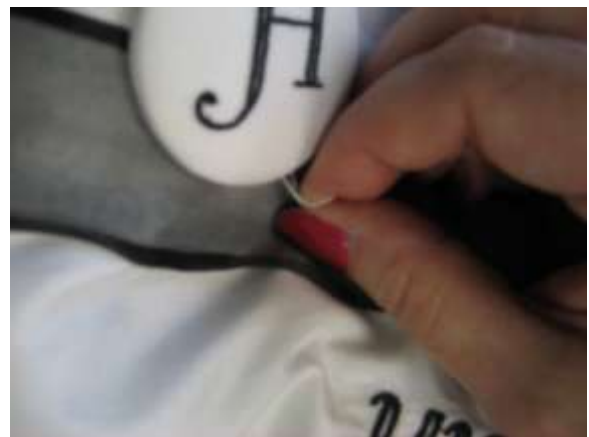


12. Set your machine up for embroidery and hoop the outer pillow with the stabilizer. Center the placement marks in the hoop and embroider the first name. Repeat this for these steps for the second name.

13. Hoop the 6" square fabric cut for the button with the stabilizer. Stitch the initial. Tear the stabilizer away.
14. Following the instructions with the covered button, cover the button.
15. Cut the ¼" ribbon into two 1 yard pieces. Using a straight stitch, attach the center of the ribbon to the center of the sections opposite each of the names. Tie in a bow to help keep them from getting caught in the seam when sewing the pillow together.



16. Create the outer pillow by placing the 2 squares right sides together, matching the edges. Sew around the outside edge using a ½" seam allowance. Leave a 6" opening along one edge for turning and stuffing with the inner pillow.
17. Trim the corners to remove some of the bulk and turn the pillow right side out. Stuff with the inner pillow.
18. With a hand sewing needle, whipstitch the opening closed.
19. Wrap the 1½" wide ribbon around the center of the pillow and overlap at the back of the pillow. Using the long hand sewing needle, thread with 24" of thread and knot the two ends together. Stitch up through the ribbon and through the center marking on the pillow. Stitch through the covered button and back through to the back of the pillow.



20. Thread the ½" simple button onto the thread tails at the back of the pillow. Tie very tightly to tuft or squish the pillow together in the center.

This is wedding ready, so put it in your box and get ready to start on the flower girl basket!

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