

Pillowcase With French Seams for Quilts of Valor

If you are making the "December Challenge Quilt" for Quilts of Valor, here are the instructions for making the pillowcase:

Pressing:

Cut a body for the pillowcase - 24 " X WOF (Width of fabric).

Cut a flange for the pillowcase - 2" X WOF.

Cut a cuff for the pillowcase - 10 " X WOF.

Construction:

Fold the flange in half creating a 1" WOF strip. Press.

Open the 24" body, full width with right side up.

Lay the flange along the cut edge of the body, matching raw edge.

Lay the cuff fabric, right side down on top of flange. Pin all layers together.

Roll the body fabric up to the pinned edge. *—Do not pin—just get out*

Fold the cuff fabric around the rolled up body. The right side to the cuff will be pinned to the wrong side of the body. You now have a sandwich: cuff, body, flange and cuff. *of the way*

Sew a ¼ to ½ inch seam.

After stitching the seam, remove the pins.

Find the end of the body and pull it from the inside of the cuff.
Press.

Lay pillowcase, wrong sides together with right sides out.

Stitch ¼ inch seam on one side.

Turn pillowcase wrong side out and stitch seam again to encase original seam. (French seam).

Repeat for other seam.

Turn pillowcase right side out. There should be no raw edges showing.