

Magic Pillowcase Tutorial



27" – width of fabric piece for body of pillowcase

9" for cuff piece (also x width of fabric)

1 - 2" contrasting narrow trim piece (for flap), again x width of fabric

Step 1 Assemble : Lay cuff piece (open) right side up,



Step 2. Take the flap piece, fold in half, press.

Place on top of cuff piece, then place body piece right side down on top, lining up raw edges,



Step 3.

Now, take just the body section (pink) and roll it up (like a burrito) until you can see most of the cuff piece from underneath. This insures that no rolled edge gets accidentally sewn in. The roll is simply encased within, except at the one top seamed edge!



Step 4.

Take the bottom edge of cuff (blue) and flip it up and over the burrito'ed body section.

Line up top with cuff and flap edges. You will now have five layers - pinned and ready to sew as shown below. (Pin well so your flap doesn't move around, some people baste it down first, but that takes too much time for me, lol)



Step 5. Sew all of the layers together, using about a $\frac{1}{4}$ " – $\frac{1}{2}$ " seam allowance (I used $\frac{1}{4}$ "). Note that it will appear to be a very narrow section as you sew this little burrito roll-up's long seam. Just make sure there are 5 layers in your seam and the rolled up edge is not accidentally sewn in, just encased within the burrito!



Step 6. To turn the burrito right side out...

Remove all pins. Now reach inside of your 'burrito' roll and pull all of the fabric out of one end of your tube.

Step 7. Take this pillowcase section and press flat.

Be sure to iron the trim towards the body.



Step 8. Trim side edges of body of pillowcase & serge (or sew, you will have to do an overlock or zigzag stitch as well so the seam doesn't tear/fray).

Step 9.



Turn right side out, press again, and admire your finished pillowcase!

Instructions adapted from (& pics):

<http://www.with-heart-and-hands.com/2009/05/burrito-or-magic-pillowcase-tutorial.html>

Have fun!

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