

Re-Purpose, Re-Use Collage Pillow

Bring new life to odds and ends in your sewing room. We had some patchwork from a pillow, that wasn't quite the right color anymore, some test pieces of freestanding lace, leftover linen from another home dec project and together, they created a beautiful flange pillow!



Sewing Supplies:

- Pfaff Sewing/Embroidery Machine
- Dave Simon's Pen, Ink and Thread, EL14 Embroidery Collection
- #427 Fashion Delights #820707096
- Sewing Star Foot with IDT™ #820654-096
- 1/4 inch Right Guide Foot with IDT™ #820541-096
- Assorted 40 wt. Rayon Embroidery Thread
- Bobbin Thread
- 1/2" wide Steam-A-Seam 2
- INSPIRA® Tear-A-Way Stabilizer
- Assorted Bits and Pieces as described Below
- 14" Pillow Form
- 1/2 yard Linen
- Pfaff 4D Embroidery Extra or 4D creative 4D Suite







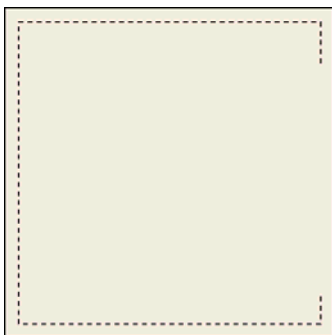
Cut from Linen:

One 18" square for pillow front
One 18" square for pillow back

1. Begin by collecting all your bits and pieces of leftovers that coordinate nicely. Select complimentary colors. Our left over patchwork had some colors we wanted, but others that were too bright. That is OK. Using a rotary cutter, cut out what you want to use. You can also use old table linens, pieces of old clothing etc.
2. Arrange and pin the bits and pieces to one 18" square of linen.
3. Thread with sewing thread top and bobbin in a neutral color.
4. Snap on your Sewing Star Foot with IDT™.
5. Select 1.1.5, zig zag . Stitch the patchwork in place letting the right hand swing of the zig zag fall just off the edge of the patchwork piece.
6. Arrange any pieces of lace, trim etc. We used one of the endless designs from #427 Fashion Delights.
7. Stitch in place with a zig zag stitch. 
8. Hoop INSPIRA® Tear-A-Way Stabilizer in your 360mm x 200mm hoop, or the largest hoop you have.
9. In your 4D Embroidery Software, open design 654208, the dragon fly, or

design of your choice. Increase 141%, as large as possible to fit in the hoop. If your hoop is smaller, enlarge as much as possible without going larger than the perimeter of the hoop.

10. Click Resize 
11. Go to the Edit Tab. Click Make block from visible area .
12. Type in 141% in Height and Width, then click Apply.
13. Thread with 40 wt. rayon embroidery thread on top and bobbin thread in the bobbin.
14. Touch  and baste your fabric to your stabilizer.
15. Embroider the dragonfly.
16. Select design #654213.
17. Hoop INSPIRA® Tear-A-Way Stabilizer and Touch  and baste your fabric to your stabilizer.
18. In a lighter thread, embroider the design.
19. If you have some “empty” spots, you can stitch another embroidery or add some decorative stitches.
20. When your collage is complete, using a fabric marking pen, mark a line for the flange 2” in from each edge.
21. Place your second 18” square of linen right sides together with the embellished one.
22. Snap on your 1/4 inch right Guide Foot with IDT™.
23. Begin sewing 2” in from a corner, and sew to the corner. Continue around stopping 2” from the last corner as shown below. Be sure to back tack securely at the beginning and end.



24. Clip the corners, turn and press.
25. Press under the edges of the opening. Place 1/2” wide Steam-A-Seam 2 along the seam allowance of the opening on one side and press in place with a dry iron. Leave the paper intact.
26. Stitch on the marked line starting and stopping at the same place as on the outer stitching.
27. Insert the pillow form. Remove the paper from the Steam-A-Seam 2 and press with steam to fuse the outer edge.
28. Along the inner marked line, push the pillow form in as far as possible and pin the pillow together along the marked line.
29. Snap on your Zipper Foot. Stitch on the marked line, pulling out the pins as you get to them.