



A PATTERN BY
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BONUS PROJECT!

Use The Kittens quilt pattern to make a 16" x 26" quilted pillow cover.

CAT FRIENDS PILLOW

This project is made using The Kittens quilt pattern, available at OHFRANSSON.COM.

You Will Need

The Kittens quilt pattern

Fabric for the two cat blocks of your choice
(See pattern for more information.)

1/2 yard medium-value solid background fabric

1/2 yard backing fabric

1 strip 2-1/2" x WOF for pillow back binding

Batting scraps, as follows: 1 piece 19" x 29", and
2 pieces 19" x 20" each

Muslin/scrap fabric, as follows: 1 piece 22" x 32",
and 2 pieces 22" x 23" each

16" x 26" pillow form, such as IKEA INNER*

*Note: If you can't find this specific pillow form, or another the same size, consider making your own from muslin and fiberfill.

Cut the Background Fabric

WOF = width of fabric

Cut 1 strip 4-1/2" x WOF.

Subcut 2 pieces C, 4-1/2" x 16-1/2" each

Cut 1 strip 3-1/2" x WOF.

Subcut 2 pieces B, 3-1/2" x 18-1/2" each

Cut 1 strip 2-1/2" x WOF.

Subcut 1 pieces A, 2-1/2" x 10-1/2".

From remaining fabric, cut the background pieces for 2 cat blocks
(refer to pattern for more information).

Cut the Backing Fabric

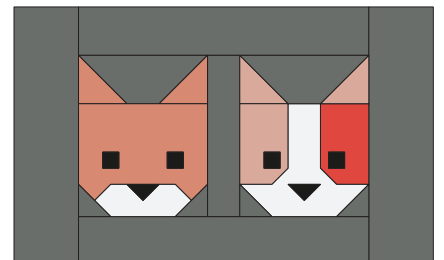
Cut 1 strip 16-1/2" x WOF.

Subcut 2 pieces D each 16-1/2" x 17-1/2".

Make the Blocks

Follow the pattern instructions to make 2 cat blocks. I made Bacon Bits and Daisy, but you can make any two cats you want. If you have two cats at home, it might be fun to pick the blocks that look the most like them.

If you would like to use the glasses applique patterns from The Kittens, wait to fuse and sew them until after the pillow front is pieced.



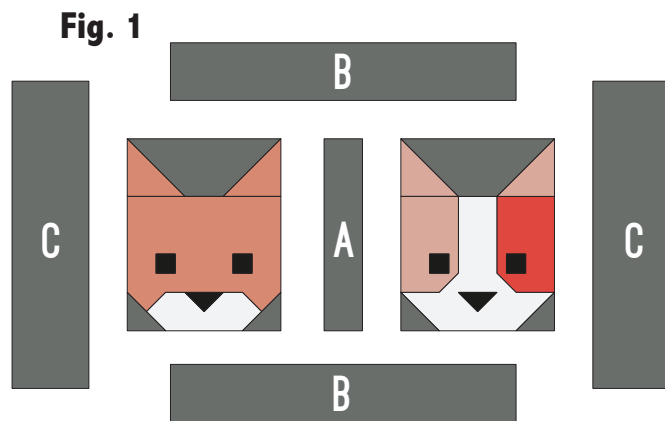
Make the Pillow Front

STEP 1 Sew 1 cat block to each side of piece A.

STEP 2 Sew pieces B to the top and bottom of the pieced unit.

STEP 3 Sew pieces C to the left and right sides to finish the pillow front. (**Fig. 1**)

Add glasses applique(s) if desired.



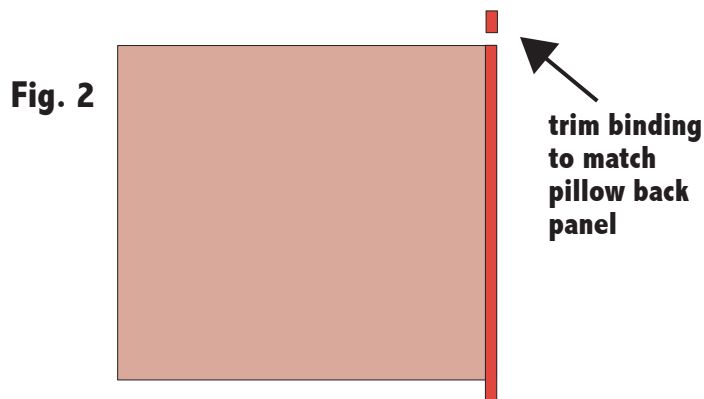
Make the Quilted Panels

STEP 1 Make a quilt sandwich using the pillow front, the 19" x 29" piece of batting and the 22" x 32" piece of muslin/scrap fabric and quilt as desired. Trim the quilted panel to match the pillow front.

STEP 2 Make a quilt sandwich using a backing fabric piece D a 19" x 20" piece of batting and a 22" x 23" piece of muslin/scrap fabric and quilt as desired. Trim the quilt back panel to match piece D.

STEP 3 Repeat Step 2 to make a second pillow back panel.

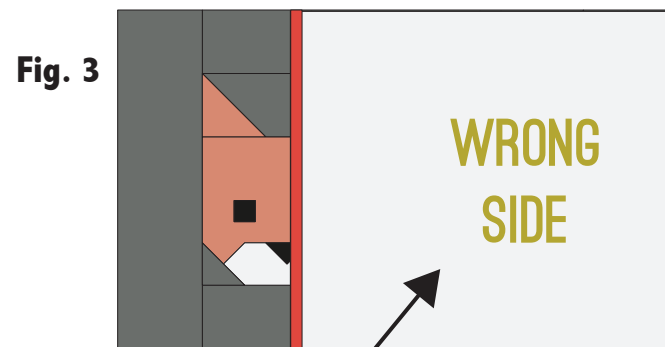
STEP 4 Cut the 2-1/2" x WOF binding fabric strip in half at the fold and use each half to bind one 16-1/2" side of each pillow back panel. Trim the finished binding even with the edges of the panels. **Fig. 2**



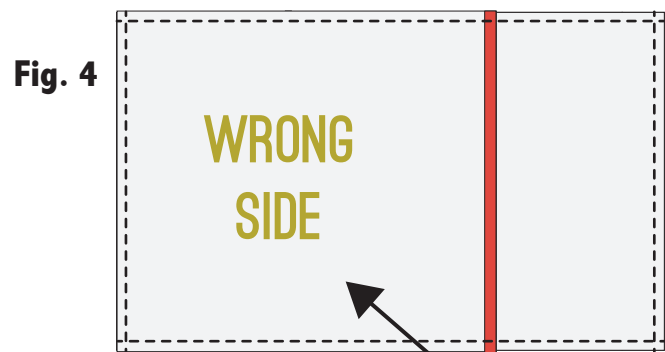
Finish the Pillow

STEP 1 Place the pillow front on your work surface, right-side-up. Refer to **fig. 3** and **fig. 4** to place the pillow back panels on top of the pillow front. Right sides should be together and the finished/bound edges of the pillow back panels will overlap one another. (Note that the pillow back panel closest to the pillow front - the one shown in **fig. 3** - will be on the outside in the finished pillow.) The raw edges of the pillow back panels should match the raw edges of the pillow front panel. Pin or clip and sew through all layers, around all four sides, using a 1/4" seam allowance. (**fig. 4**) If desired, finish the raw edges with a zigzag stitch or serger.

STEP 2 Turn the pillow cover right-side-out, using a point turner or other blunt tool to push out the corners. Fit the pillow cover over a 16" x 26" pillow form.



Place one pillow back panel on top of the pillow front, with right sides together



Place the second pillow back panel on top of the pillow front, overlapping the first pillow back panel.