# You Sew Girl

12" Patchwork Pillow Cover

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### Fabric Requirements 12" Pillow Cover

3/4 Yard for Background and Backing to Quilt Pillow Cover

10" Square or 2 1/2" x 42" Strip for Sewing Machine

Misc. Scraps for Handle, Spool, Needle Holder and Patchwork Border

15 ½" Square of Batting

1/2 Yard for Envelope Pillow Backing

1/4 Yard Binding

 $3 - \frac{1}{2}$ " Buttons

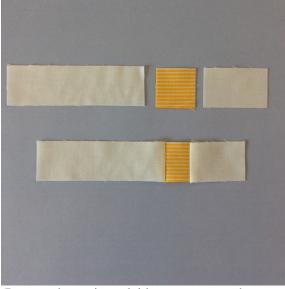
**Embroidery Floss** 

Scrap of Lightweight Stabilizer (for embroidery)

Cutting for One 6" Block	Letter	Color
1 – 1 ¼" x 4 ¼" rectangle	A	Background
1 − 1 ¼" x 2" rectangle	C	Background
1 - 1" x 1 ½" rectangle	D	Background
1 − 1" x 3 ¼" rectangle	F	Background
1 − 1 ¼" x 1 ¾" rectangle	H	Background
2 – 7/8" squares	I	Background
2 – 1 1/8" squares	L	Background
1 − 1 ¾" x 3" rectangle	O	Background
1 − 1 ¾" x 2 ¼" rectangle	P	Background
1 - 1" x 1 ¼" rectangle	Q	Background
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1 – 1 ¼" x 1 ¼" square	В	Spool
1 – 1" x 2" rectangle	E	Machine Handle
1 – 1 ¾" x 6" rectangle	G	Sewing Machine
1 - 7/8" square	I	Sewing Machine
$1 - 1 \frac{3}{4}$ " x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangle	J	Sewing Machine
1 – 2" x 6" rectangle	K	Sewing Machine
1 – 1 1/8" square	L	Sewing Machine
$1-2\frac{1}{4}$ " x 3" rectangle	M	Sewing Machine
1-1" square	N	Needle Holder
For Pillow:		
2 - 2" x 6 ½" rectangles	n/a	Background
2-2" x 9 ½" rectangles	n/a	Background
1 – 15 ½" x 15 ½" square	n/a	Back of Quilted Pillow Top
1 – 15 ½" x 15 ½" square	n/a	Batting
28 – 2" x 2" squares	n/a	Multi Colored Border
$2 - 9 \frac{1}{2}$ " x 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangles	n/a	Envelope Pillow Back
$2 - 2\frac{1}{4}$ " x 42" strips	n/a	Binding

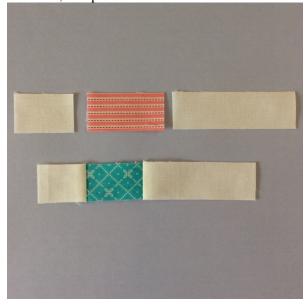
### **Assembling the Block**

1. Stitch A to left side of B, and press seam out (toward the background). Stitch C to right side of B, and press seam out. Unit A should measure  $1\frac{1}{4}$ " x  $6\frac{1}{2}$ ". Set spool unit aside.



(Images show pieces laid out to sew on the top, and the finished piece on the bottom)

2. Stitch D to the left side of E, and press seam (out toward the background). Stitch F to the right side of E, and press seam out. Unit D should measure 1" x 5 ¾". Set hand wheel unit aside.



3. Draw a diagonal line across your two background L squares, and lay them on the upper corners of K. Stitch on the drawn line. Trim excess to a ¼" seam, and press seams out (toward the background). Unit K should measure 2" x 6". Set sewing machine top unit aside.



4. Draw a diagonal line across your two background I squares, and lay them on the lower corners of J. Stitch on the drawn line. Trim excess to a  $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam, and press seams out (toward the background). Unit J should measure  $1\frac{3}{4}$ " x  $2\frac{1}{2}$ ".



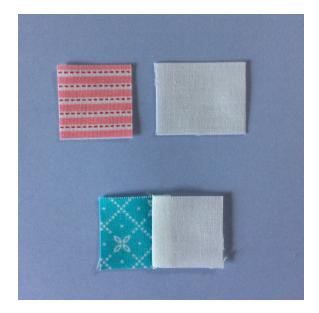
5. Draw a diagonal line across your sewing machine colored I and L squares. Place the L square on the upper right hand corner of P. Place the I square on the upper left hand corner of P. Stitch on the drawn line. Trim excess to a  $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam, and press seams out (toward the background). Unit P should measure  $1\frac{3}{4}$ " x  $2\frac{1}{4}$ ".



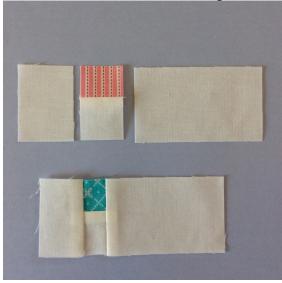
6. Stitch the right side of the J Unit to the left side of the P Unit. Press seams toward the J Unit. Unit J/P should measure  $1 \frac{3}{4}$ " x  $4 \frac{1}{4}$ ".



7. Stitch N to Q. Press seam toward the background. Unit N should measure 1" x 1 34".



8. Stitch H to the right side of Unit N. Press seam toward background. Stitch O to the left side of Unit N. Press seam toward the background. Unit O should measure  $1 \frac{3}{4}$ " x  $4 \frac{1}{4}$ ".



9. Stitch the bottom of Unit J/P to the top of Unit O. Press seam down, toward the needle holder. This Needle Holder Unit should measure 3" x  $4\frac{1}{4}$ ".



10. Stitch the right side of the Needle Holder Unit to M. Press seam out, toward M. This Unit Machine Center should measure 3" x 6".



11. Stitch the bottom of the Needle Holder Unit to the top of G. Press seam toward G. This piece should measure 4 1/4" x 6".



12. Stitch the bottom of Unit K to the top of the above piece. Press seam up toward Unit K. This piece (sewing machine) should measure  $5 \frac{3}{4}$ " x 6".



13. Stitch Hand Wheel Unit to the right side of the Sewing Machine. Press seam out, toward the hand wheel unit. This piece should measure  $5 \frac{3}{4}$ " x  $6 \frac{1}{2}$ ".



14. Stitch the bottom of Spool Unit to the top of Sewing Machine Unit. Press seam up, toward the spool unit. Your block should measure 6 ½" x 6 ½".



### **Adding Borders**

1. Stitch one 2" x  $6\frac{1}{2}$ " strip to the right side of your block. Stitch one 2" x  $6\frac{1}{2}$ " strip to the left side of your block. Press seams out toward borders. Stitch one 2" x  $9\frac{1}{2}$ " strip to the top of your block. Stitch one 2" x  $6\frac{1}{2}$ " strip to the bottom of your block. Press seams out toward borders. Unit should measure  $9\frac{1}{2}$ " x  $9\frac{1}{2}$ ".



3. Stitch two rows of 6-2" squares and two rows of 8-2" squares.



4. Stitch one row of 6 to the right side and one row of 6 to the left side of your block. Press seams out, toward the outer border. Stitch one row of 8 to the top and one row of 8 to the bottom of your block. Press seams toward the outer border. Pillow cover top should measure 12 ½" x 12½".



#### Embroidery, Quilting & Buttons

- 1. Center your "YOU SEW GIRL!!!" vertically and horizontally in the top inner border, and trace with a pencil.
- 2. Place your ruler just a scant less than ¼" from the seam line beside the needle holder (so your pencil mark will be dead center), and draw a ½" line from the needle holder toward the bed of the machine.
- 3. Cut your Lightweight Stabilizer about an inch larger all around than the "You Sew Girl" words. Lay it on the back of your pillow cover under the words, and embroider using a back stitch or stem stitch. I used 4 strands of DMC floss, and did a back stitch (on the dots on the exclamation points, I used a double strand and 3 loops for the French knots). You don't need stabilizer for the needle. I used a double strand, and did a stem stitch.
- 4. Quilt as desired.
- 5. Stitch your  $3 \frac{1}{2}$ " buttons to your pillow cover in the center of the bottom inner border.

#### Assembling the Pillow Cover

1. On the  $12 \frac{1}{2}$ " side of your two backing pieces, fold over  $\frac{1}{2}$ " and press, and then fold that over another  $\frac{1}{2}$ " and press. Stitch along this folded edge, using a  $\frac{1}{8}$ " seam allowance.



2. Lay your backing pieces wrong sides together with your pillow top, so that the opening is overlapping at the top/bottom of the pillow top. Pin, and stitch using a scant 1/4" seam.



3. Bind as you would a quilt.

And, Voila – you've just finished a super cute pillow for your sewing room ;)!

## YOU SEW GIRL!!!

#### Unnamed

Key Block (29/50 actual size)

