

BURRITO PILLOWCASE

Pillow Case Instructions

Fabrics: 3/4 yard (27") for body of pillowcase (or 1 yard for king size)
1/3 yard (12") for cuff of coordinating fabric
3 1/2 " by 40" WOF (width of fabric) for flange (accent), optional

Fold and press accent piece in half to make a long skinny strip (if using.)

Open cuff (12" piece) to full width and baste on accent piece, aligning raw edges

Sew body of pillowcase to cuff/flange. right sides facing, using 1" seam allowance (I made mine using about 1/2" seam allowance) Do not press.

Place fabric on table in front of you, RIGHT SIDE UP, bottom of pillowcase toward you (cuff/flange are vertical on table.) With a hand on each corner of the bottom of the pillowcase, begin to roll up fabric into a small tube. After you roll the pillowcase past the cuff seam, the seam will POP UP. Match popped up seam raw edges to raw edge of cuff and sew again on top of the first 1" seam. The rolled up casing will now be inside the tube. This is somewhat confusing, but it really works!

Reach into the end of the tube and pull out the pillowcase. At this point I press the cuff, front and back, to make sure it is straight.

With wrong sides together,(you are looking at the right side of fabric now,)trim edge so that the entire side is even, including the cuff. Sew side seam - do not sew bottom of case. Trim seam to 1/4".

Turn pillowcase to RIGHT sides together (you are looking at the wrong side of the fabric,) fold along seam, press well and sew making at least a 3/8" seam allowance (this is called a French seam.) Now sew bottom of case, using a straight seam and then a zigzag stitch to finish seam, or use a serger to finish seam.

Turn pillowcase right side out, poke out the corners to square them up and press pillowcase.

(I have made many cases for my grandchildren using these instructions..... Arlene Murphy)