

Chair Cushion with Ripple Pleat Boxing and a Pillow with Layered Design Details

Easily update a basic chair with a refreshed cushion with intricate ripple pleat boxing. Top it off with a one-of-a-kind pillow design with layered details. Follow along for detailed instructions on creating two unique pieces from our French Inspired Roomscape.



Materials & Supplies

Rowley Products

Pen Style Chalk Markers

Scissors

R-TEX Fusible Stabilizer

Welt Cord

Invisible Zipper Chain, #5

Nylon Invisible Zipper Slides, #5

John James Hand Sewing Needles

Pillows

Straight Edge Rulers

Measuring Tape

Buttons

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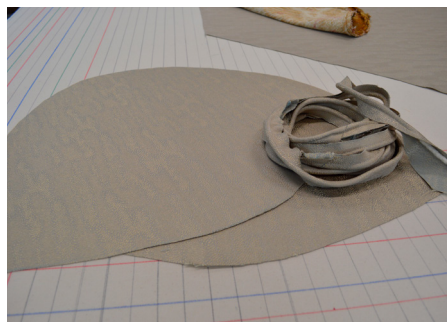
Chair Cushion with Ripple Pleat Boxing and a Pillow with Layered Design Details: Step-By-Step Instructions

Chair Cushion with Ripple Pleat Boxing:

- 1 Stabilize the Face Fabric (FF) before cutting. Cut the cushion top and bottom.



- 2 Cut and make welt cord to go along the top and bottom of the cushion. Stitch welt to the cushion top and bottom.



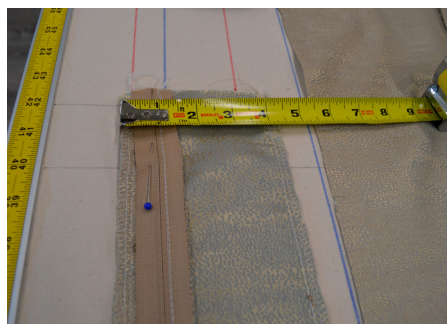
- 3 For the zipper, cut two zipper strips at $3\frac{1}{2}$ " x the width of the zipper. Serge around all edges. Place the right side of the prepared zipper on the right side of one long edge of one zipper strip. Pin and stitch to the zipper teeth.



- 4 Fold the zipper to the back of the zipper strip. Topstitch the FF close to the zipper teeth.



- 5 Fold the second zipper strip matching the long edges, right sides in and press in half. Pin the second side of the zipper to this zipper strip, so that the zipper now measures $4\frac{1}{4}$ " wide. Stitch the second side of the zipper, close to the zipper teeth.



- 6 Make the boxing unique. Measure the area for the boxing. For this cushion, the measurement is 46" so we cut 3 strips at 54" x 5 ½".



- 7 Stitch the strips together along the short edges. Press seams. Serge the long edges on both sides of the strip.



- 8 Fold pleats, steam, and press.



- 9 Once the fabric has cooled down, stitch the pleats along one long edge.



- 10 Before stitching the pleats along the second long edge, use iron-on fusible stabilizer to the back of the pleats.



- 11 Measure the pleated boxing strip and draw a line across the second side at 4 1/2". Trim to this size. Sew the second side of the pleats using 1/2" Seam Allowance (SA). Serge off any excess fabric from the pleated band.



- 12 Press the band in half, right side in, matching the long edges. At the sewing machine, with the folds of the pleats facing you, fold the pleats back towards the needle. Using the folded crease as your guide, stitch the pleats so that they flip.



- 13 Sew the pleated boxing strip to the zipper strip. Pin and sew the completed boxing strip to the cushion top and bottom (Be sure to have the zipper open before completely sewing the strip in place).



- 14 Turn right sides out to complete the cushion cover.



Pillow with Layered Design Details:

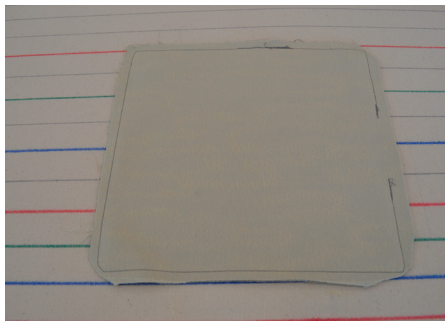
- 1 For a 17" x 13" finished pillow cover, cut fabric at 18" x 14". Cut the pillow back fabric the same size. Cut a second FF the same size, centering the pattern you want to show in the center of the pillow.



- 2 Measure the area to be showing from under the overlay. Cut two squares of contrasting fabric a few inches larger than this.



- 3 Place the squares right sides together, stitch, leaving a hole for turning. Trim seams, clip corners. Turn right sides out, press, close hole.



- 4 Next, to help define the stitch lines, fold and press the square diagonally from corner to corner. Carefully place the square on the face of the pillow front section and over the center of the pillow in a diamond shape. Pin in place.



- 5 Stitch around each fold line from corner into the center, pivot, and back to the corner.



- 6 Very carefully, cut between the stitch lines.



- 7 Turn the triangles right sides out and press towards the back of the fabric.



- 8 Hand tack the triangles around the edges. Or, stitch a few inches of the triangle fabric from the centers out towards the corners, but not too close to the corners.



- 9 Place the FF overlay (with the triangles) over the second pillow front section, matching edges. Pin in place before serging the edges to keep the pillow front sections together.



- 10 Cut strips and make enough welt cord to go around the pillow. Stitch to pillow front, clipping corners, and ending in a clean seam join.



- 11 Insert a zipper in the bottom of the pillow. Stitch the pillow front to the pillow back. Turn pillow right side out.



- 12 Make fabric covered buttons.



- 13 Flip the contrasting triangles to expose the underlay. Tack the triangles and hold in place with the fabric covered buttons.



- 14 Your pillow front will now look like this.



