

## Rowley project list: **Non-Slouching Couch Pillow**

This is a great pillow to use on leather couches or chairs as it will not slide or slouch down once it's placed on the furniture – the secret is the flat bottom. It's easy to make once you understand the math and using a down insert adds to the overall comfort of use.



### **MATERIALS & SUPPLIES**

#### **Rowley Products**

Fusible Stabilizer  
 5/32" Polyester Welt Cord  
 4.5 Nylon Zipper  
 Zipper Slide  
 10/90 18"x18" Down Insert

#### **SKU**

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### **NON-SLOUCHING COUCH PILLOW: STEP-BY-STEP INSTRUCTIONS**

This project covers the steps to fabricate the bottom boxed pillow with welt cord and a zipper. Our pillow finished at 17"W x 11"H – just perfect for the side of a couch!

The illustrations vary between two fabrics (floral and geometric), although the pillow should be made using only one – this is entirely my fault. I did not take photos from start to finish with one fabric only.

### **Cutting and Prepping the Fabric:**

- 1** Cut the pillow front and back into a trapezoid shape with slightly rounded top corners.
  - A.** The top will measure 18"W. Round off the corners after you cut the trapezoid.
  - B.** The bottom will measure 23"W.
  - C.** The cut height is 12".
- 2** Cut two strips for the zipper at 22" x 5" each.
  - A.** Your zipper will be longer than what you need for the pillow. It will be trimmed during fabrication to the correct length.
- 3** Fold the strips in half lengthwise and iron to set a crease.
- 4** Apply a layer of fusible stabilizer to the back of the fabric on both top and back pieces.
- 5** Cut and make enough welt cord to go up one side, along the top and down the other side only.

## Making the Pillow:

- 1 Sew welt cord to the pillow front, sewing up one side, across the top and down the other side.
- 2 With right sides together, and matching tops, corners and bottoms, sew the front to the back, on the top and two sides only.



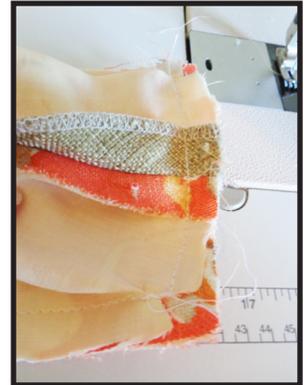
- 3 Cut a length of zipper chain a few inches longer than your strips. Load the zipper pull on one end.
- 4 Using the two prepared zipper strips, sew in a flap zipper.



- 5 Align the welt cord seam to one end of the zipper strip, right sides together. Pin.
- 6 Continue to pin the zipper strip to the pillow along the long edges, but do not do the other end of the zipper yet.
  - A. You will need to make a relief cut in the pillow fabric to turn the corner with the zipper strip.



- 7** Sew the pinned sides.
- 8** At the open zipper end, make the same two relief cuts in the pillow fabric so it will lay flat against the zipper strip.
- 9** Mark for needed length.
- 10** Move the zipper pull up the zipper strip and cut the strip to the needed length.
- 11** Pin zipper end to pillow and finish sewing.



- 12** Turn right sides out. Your goal is to have the zipper centered on the decorative welt cord.
- 13** Stuff and close zipper.
  - A.** Pushing the bottom of the insert into itself to create a flat bottom will help shape the pillow.

