



*Margaret Moorehead's*

## **Virtual Sewing Guild OnLine Class**

### **Radiance Pillow**



## Supply List:

- \* Fusible Batting
- \* Fabric for Center of Pillow
- \* Border Fabric
- \* Pillow form (18"-20")
- \* Fusible Tear Away Stabilizer
- \* Tear Away Stabilizer
- \* Sticky Template Sheets that will go through the printer
- \* Embroidery Thread
- \* Hand Sewing Needle
- \* Radiance Scroll Design and Radiance Flower Design

## Equipment List:

- \* Embroidery Machine in good working order
- \* Embroidery Hoops
- \* 1/4" Foot
- \* General Sewing Supplies



### Note:

These instructions are to be used in conjunction with the video for this class.

### Pillow Forms

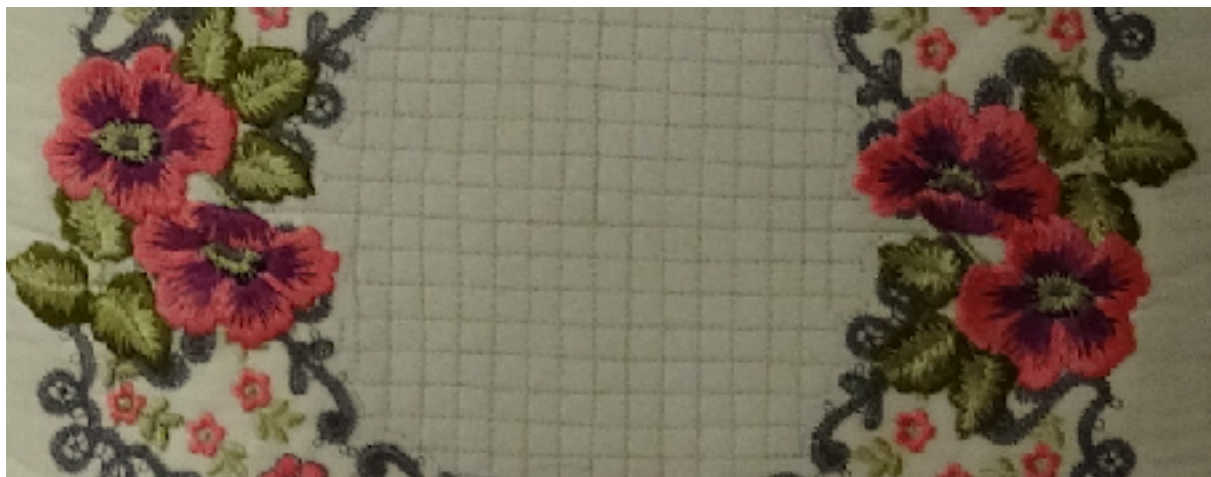
This project was cut down to 18 1/2" when it was finished.

1/2" seams were used for construction so finished size of the pillow was about 17 1/2".

I wanted this pillow to be VERY full so I used a 20" pillow form. How full you want your pillow to be is a personal choice

Fabric and Batting	Quantity	size	prep
<b>Fabric for center of pillow (embroidery)</b>	1	22" square	Fuse with fusible template tear away following the manufacturers instructions
<b>Fusible Batting</b>	1	21" square	This is 1" smaller than the pillow top fabric to allow for shrinkage of the fabric as you embroider, and to make fusing it to the project easier
<b>Border Fabric</b>	4	4" x 24" These will be cut down after they are added to the pillow	
<b>Backing Fabric</b>	1	22" square	This will be cut to size when you cut your pillow top down to size

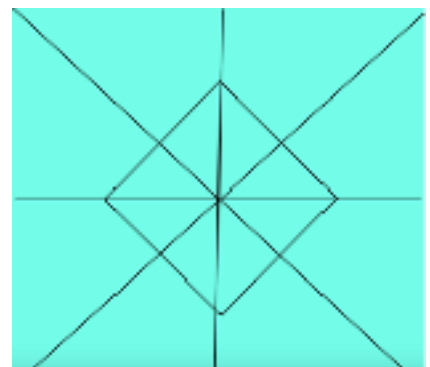
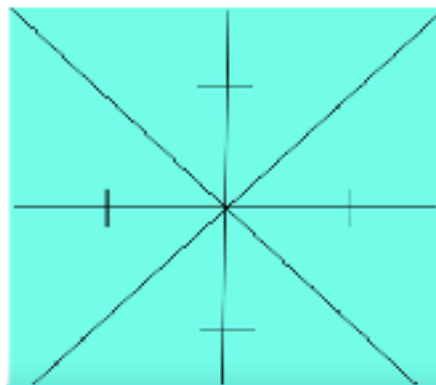
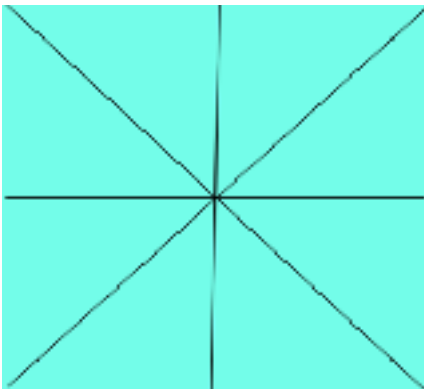
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## Getting Ready

1. Cut your fabric according to the chart on page 3
2. Following the manufacturer's instructions fuse the back of the pillow fabric with fusible tear away stabilizer.
3. Print out one flower template on regular printer paper.
4. Highlight the center lines on the template and mark the "top" of the design with a "T"
5. Copy this template 3 more times so you now have 4 templates
6. Cut these out and glue these 4 flower templates onto one piece of paper
7. Now copy this onto the printable sticky template.  
*Note: By using this method you will save the amount of sticky printable templates you use, but it takes a bit more time and effort.*
8. Print out 4 templates for the "scroll" using this method or your favorite method for working with templates.
9. Mark your fabric with a horizontal line, a vertical line and diagonal lines that all intersect in the center of your fabric.
10. Measure out 5" from the center in each direction on the horizontal and vertical lines and make a mark
11. Connect those marks to form a square on point in the center of your fabric.
12. Position the "Scroll" templates on your fabric using the lines you have drawn and the video for placement.



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### Embroidery

1. Hoop a piece of tear away stabilizer and position the project in the hoop so the fabric is lined up correctly...so the center of the design will be centered under the needle.
2. Pin the project to the stabilizer in the hoop
3. Attach the hoop to the sewing machine, check that the placement is correct
4. Remove the template for the design you are working on, and pin the other templates out of the way while doing this embroidery.
5. Stitch out the design, changing colors as you go.
6. Remove the hoop from the machine and remove the project from the hoop.
7. Cut away the excess tear away stabilizer that was hooped....not the tear away that is fused to the back of the project.
8. Hoop another piece of tear away, position the project correctly as before (refer to video for more instructions) and stitch out design #2.
9. Repeat for designs #3 and #4
10. Remove the excess tear away stabilizer from behind all 4 designs, but leave the fused on tear away stabilizer in place
11. Hoop tear away stabilizer for the flower design. I used a smaller hoop for this, since the design is smaller.
12. Place the flower templates in a pleasing arrangement onto of the embroidered scroll stitched out designs.
13. Stitch out each flower design using the same technique as we did for the scroll designs.

NOTE: Please refer to the video for more information.





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### Fusible Batting and Quilting

1. Remove the excess tear away that was fused to the back of the project
2. Fuse the batting to the back side of the embroidered pillow top.
3. Quilt as desired
4. I quilted only inside of the circle design, and the rows of stitching were a “presser foot” width apart.

### Attaching the Borders

1. Measure out 1/2” from the tip of the leaf on each side of your pillow
2. Draw a line on each of the 4 sides of the pillow front, that is parallel to the center marks on the fabric and is 1/2” outside of the tip of the leaf.
3. Place the right side of the border to the right side of the embroidered pillow top making sure the cut edge of the border is lined up with the line you just drew, with the “bulk of the border” being towards the center of the pillow top.
4. Stitch using a 1/4” seam allowance.
5. Press the project leaving the fabrics right sides together
6. Flip the border so the right side of the fabric faces up and press in place
7. Stitch the border that is opposite of the one you just stitched in the same way.
8. Repeat this process for the remaining two sides

Note: I like to draw my line all the way across the fabric...including crossing over the borders that are already in place so I have a nice straight line to follow as I am stitching.



## Cutting the pillow top and the pillow back down to size

1. I like to cut my pillow top down based on the borders
2. Cut your cushion top by measuring out 3 1/2" from the seam line of each border and cut. (Refer to video if needed)
3. Cut your pillow back piece so it is exactly the same size as your pillow top
4. Stitch the front to the back leaving an opening to insert the pillow form.  
See video for tips on creating the opening and for turning the corners.
5. Turn pillow right side out
6. Press
7. Insert Pillow Form.
8. Stitch opening closed
9. ENJOY your beautiful pillow!

