

Bubble Pillow

Skill Level: Beginner

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This bubble pillow is a sweet little accent to add to a baby's nursery or any other room. It is a quick and cute gift and would look great with a coordinating quilt.

Fabrics Needed

Main fabric	1/2 yard
Main accent fabrics	Three different 10" x 12" rectangles
Accent fabric	One 14" x 18" rectangle
Muslin	One fat quarter

Materials Needed

Pellon® 805 Wonder-Under®	1 yard
Legacy™ by Pellon® 100% Cotton Batting	One 20" square
Pellon® 18" Pillow Insert	One
Thread	

Tools Needed

Sewing machine and related supplies
Rotary cutter and related tools
Hand embroidery needle
Die cut machine OR fabric marking pen and scissors

Cutting and Assembly Instructions

Cut one 18" square and one 14" x 18" rectangle from the main fabric.

Cut one 10" x 12" rectangle from each of the three main accent fabrics.

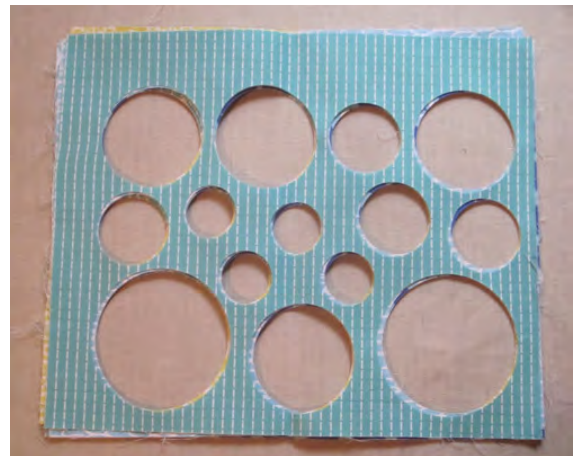
Cut one 14" x 18" rectangle from the accent fabric.

Cut one 20" square from the muslin.

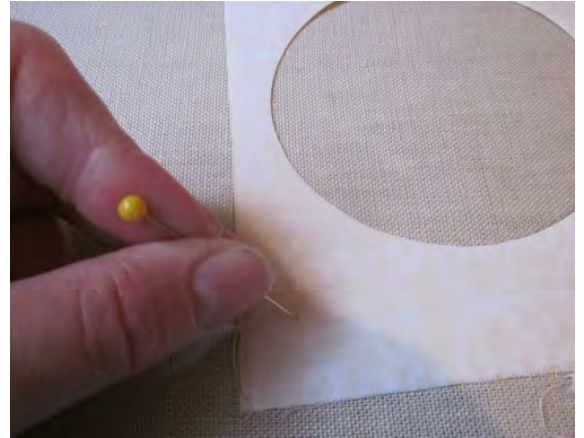
Cut three 10" x 12" rectangles from the Wonder-Under®.

Cut one 20" square from the batting.

Iron one piece of 10" x 12" rectangle Wonder-Under® to the wrong side of each of the three main accent 10" x 12" rectangles. Cut the 'bubble' design using a die cut machine and circle die or use a pencil and draw a variety of circles onto the paper side of the Wonder-Under®. Cut on drawn line using a sharp pair of scissors. Save the circles cut out for a future project.



To remove the Wonder-Under® paper backing from these pieces, use a straight pin to perforate a two inch section near an edge.



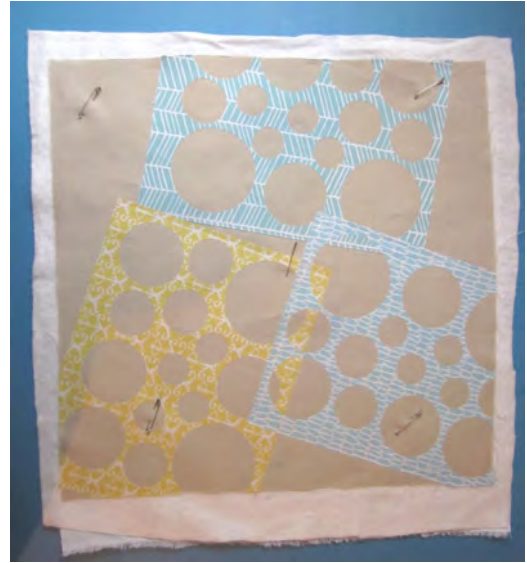
Fold the piece along that perforated line and pull the paper away from the fabric.



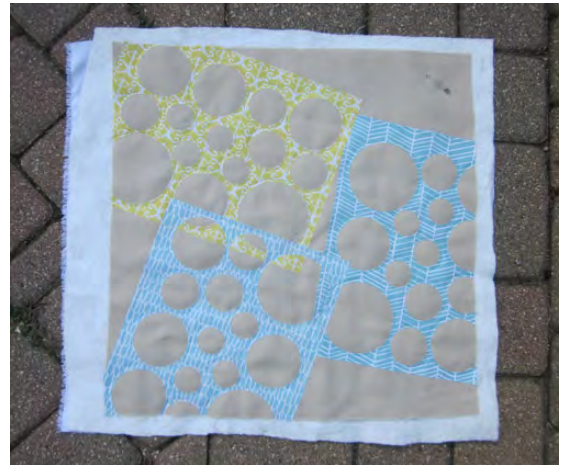
Arrange the three main accent fabrics so they overlap each other on top of the 18" square main fabric piece. Fuse into place.



Layer the muslin and pillow top wrong sides together with the batting between them. Baste the three pieces together.



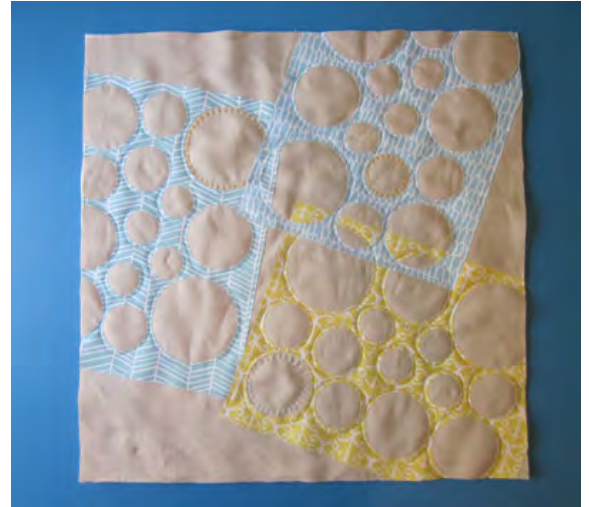
Sew around each accent fabric with a straight stitch. Use a free motion foot to stitch around the outside of each circle on all three accent fabrics. Keep the stitching 1/8" - 1/4" from the circle's edge. Trim threads.



Use embroidery thread and a hand embroidery needle to highlight some of the circles by hand quilting inside the circle on the main fabric.



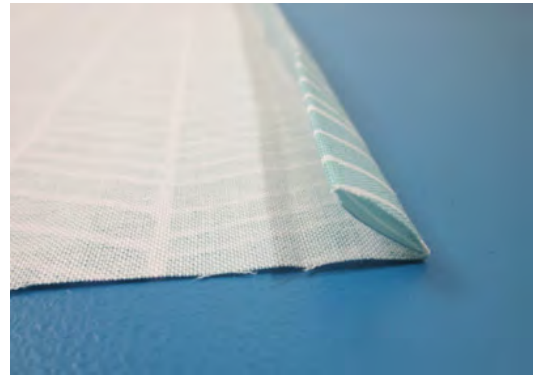
Trim the quilted pillow top to an 18" square.



Prepare the Pillow Back

Hem the 14" x 18" rectangle of accent fabric. Fold down the 18" side 1/4" from the edge with wrong sides together and press. Fold the same section down another 1/4" and press. Topstitch along the edge of the first fold from the wrong side of the fabric to conceal the raw edge.

Repeat using the 14" x 18" rectangle of main fabric.



Embroider simple accents to the back panels with hand embroidery.



Assemble the Pillow

Place the pillow top right side up. Place the accent fabric pillow back right side down with the raw edges lined up with the raw edges of the pillow top (the hemmed edge will be in the middle).



Place the main fabric pillow back right side down with the raw edges lined up with the raw edges of the pillow top (on the opposite side with the hemmed edge in the middle).



Pin all the layers together.



Sew around all four sides of the pillow using a 1/2" seam allowance and overlapping at the beginning and the end.



Trim corners and zigzag around the four edges to reduce fraying.



Turn pillow right side out. Insert pillow form.

