

Patchwork Hearts Pillows



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Perfect for the season, these patchwork pillows are just the thing for your special Valentine. Simple to make, and a great way to use up some of those fabric scraps we've all got lying around. A thoughtful way to show someone you care.

Skill Level: Beginner 

Time to Complete: 3 hours

Tools Needed:

- [6" x 12" Non-Slip, Frosted Advantage™ Acrylic Ruler: "The Traveler" \(QR 6 x 12\)](#)
- [24" x 36" Self-Healing Rotary Mat \(RM-MG\)](#)

Materials Needed:

- ½ yard red fabric
- ½ yard white fabric
- ½ yard Warm and Natural Batting

Instructions

1. For Candy Box Pillow, trace heart shaped pattern on 2 layers of red fabric. Cut out with rotary cutter, adding ½" seam allowance. Cut one heart shaped piece of batting.
2. Layer batting and one red heart. Pin together. Quilt as desired. Try hearts, stippling, even a simple grid to decorate the pillow top.
3. Cut 2 strips, 3" x 18", out of white fabric. Fold in half and press. Stitch long edge using a ¼" seam allowance. Taper top edge to a 45° angle. Turn inside out and press well. You can also use ribbon for the white ties if desired.
4. Tie a bow in white ties at the center and adjust so it looks just the way you want. A square knot works well.
5. Place bow in center of pillow and pin ends to the outer edge of quilted heart. Stitch tie ends in place. You may take a couple of hand stitches to secure the bow in the center if you'd like.
6. Place red hearts, right sides together. Pin. Stitch in place, leaving a 5" opening for turning on one straight edge. Clip curves and turn inside out. Press.
7. Cut 2 hearts from fleece and stitch together for pillow form, leaving an opening to stuff. Stuff with cut up pieces of fleece until desired fullness. Stitch opening closed.
8. Stuff pillow form into red pillow, using your hands to adjust the fleece form to fit. Add additional bits of fleece to fill out the pillow as needed. Hand sew opening closed.
9. For patchwork hearts, create your own simple patchwork with red and white squares. Add fat ric-rac to the outer edge or an appliqué heart for interest. Follow basic construction techniques above.