FABRICS are from the Calypso collection by Ro Gregg for Paintbrush Studio (fabri-quilt.com).
Project: Pillowcase with Bubbles Appliqué Band

Materials

• 5—9×22” pieces (fat eighths) assorted prints Nos. 1–5 (appliqués)
• ⅛ yard print No. 6 (band)
• ⅞ yard print No. 7 (pillowcase body)
• Lightweight fusible web
• Tear-away stabilizer
• AccuQuilt Go! fabric cutter (optional)
• AccuQuilt Go! circles die #55012 (optional)

Finished pillowcase: 30×20” (fits a standard-size bed pillow)

Quantities are for 44/45”-wide, 100% cotton fabrics.

Measurements include ⅛” seam allowances for pillowcase construction. Sew with right sides together unless otherwise specified.

Cut Fabrics

To cut out circle appliqués with AccuQuilt Go! fabric cutter dies, complete the following steps.

1. Place fusible web, paper side up, on wrong side of designated fabric and press according to manufacturer’s instructions; let cool.

2. Following AccuQuilt Go! fabric cutter instructions, use die #55012 to cut out the number of circles in sizes indicated in cutting instructions. Peel off paper backing.

To cut out circle appliqués with scissors, complete the following steps.

From assorted prints, cut:
• Two 5”-diameter circles
• Eight 3”-diameter circles
• Twelve 2”-diameter circles

From band print, cut:
• 2—6×41” strips

From body print, cut:
• 1—26×41” rectangle

Appliqué Band

1. Referring to Band Assembly Diagram, arrange all circle appliqués atop a print 6×41” strip, trimming excess circles as desired. Fuse in place following manufacturer’s instructions.


Assemble Band

1. Sew together appliquéd and band print 6×41” strips along a pair of long edges (Band Assembly Diagram).

2. Join short ends of Step 1 unit to make a loop. Press seam open. Fold loop in half with wrong side inside; press to make pillowcase band.

Assemble Pillowcase

1. Fold body print 26×41” rectangle in half crosswise to form a 26×20⅛” rectangle. Sew together long edges and one pair of short edges to make pillowcase body. Turn right side out and press flat.

2. Referring to Diagram 1, slide pillowcase band over pillowcase body with appliquéd side of band facing pillowcase body; align raw edges and pin. Using ⅛” seam allowance, sew through all layers.

3. Press pillowcase band open, pressing seam allowances toward pillowcase body. Topstitch on pillowcase body ⅛” from band seam to secure seam allowances and complete pillowcase (Diagram 2).
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6 × 41”

BAND ASSEMBLY DIAGRAM

DIAGRAM 1

DIAGRAM 2