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Project: Stepping Stones Band

Materials
FOR ONE PILLOWCASE:
• ½ yard print No. 1 (pillowcase body, band)
• ½ yard print No. 2 (pillowcase body)
• 1 yard main print (pillowcase body, band)
• ½ yard solid (piping)

Finished pillowcase: 30x20" (fits a standard-size bed pillow)

Yardages and cutting instructions are based on 42" of usable fabric width.

Measurements include ¼" seam allowances for piecing strips and ½" seam allowances for pillowcase construction. Sew with right sides together unless otherwise stated.

Cut Fabrics
From print No. 1, cut:
• 2—1½x6½" rectangles
• 2—1½x5½" rectangles
• 2—1½x4½" rectangles
• 2—1½x3½" rectangles
• 2—1½x2½" rectangles

From print No. 2, cut:
• 1—1½x36½" strip
• 1—1½x34½" strip
• 1—1½x32½" strip
• 1—1½x30½" strip
• 1—1½x28½" strip

From main print, cut:
• 1—25½x41" rectangle
• 1—5½x40½" strip

From solid, cut:
• 1—1½x41" strip

Assemble Pillowcase
Use a ¼" seam allowance for the following steps, except where noted.

1. Fold solid 1½x41" strip in half lengthwise with wrong side inside; press to make piping strip.

Assemble Band
1. Sew print 1½x2½" rectangles to short edges of print 1½x36½" strip. Press seams open.

2. Join print 1½x3½" rectangles to short edges of print 1½x34½" strip. Press seams open.

3. Sew print 1½x4½" rectangles to short edges of print 1½x32½" strip. Press seams open.

4. Join print 1½x5½" rectangles to short edges of print 1½x30½" strip. Press seams open.

5. Sew print 1½x6½" rectangle to short edges of print 1½x28½" strip. Press seams open.

6. Referring to Band Assembly Diagram, join rows to make a 5½x40½" unit. Press seams in one direction.

7. Join Step 6 unit and main print 5½x40½" strip (Band Assembly Diagram).

8. Join short ends of Step 7 unit to make a loop. Press seam open. Fold loop in half with wrong side inside; press to make pillowcase band.

3. Fold Step 2 rectangle in half to form a 25½x20½" rectangle. Sew together long edges and the short edges that do not have piping to make the pillowcase body. Turn right side out and press flat.

4. Matching raw edges and seams, slide pillowcase band over pillowcase body with pieced side of band facing pillowcase body (Diagram 2); pin. Using ¼" seam allowance, sew together through all layers.

5. Press pillowcase band open, pressing seam toward pillowcase body. Topstitch ¼" from band edge to secure seam allowance and complete pillowcase (Diagram 3).