FABRICS are from the Blooms & Bobbins collection by Melissa Mora for Riley Blake Designs (rileyblakedesigns.com).
Project: Bow Tie Band

Materials
For one pillowcase:
- $\frac{1}{4}$ yard light pink print (blocks)
- $\frac{1}{4}$ yard dark pink print (blocks)
- $\frac{7}{8}$ yard white floral (pillowcase band, pillowcase body)
- $\frac{3}{8}$ yard blue print (pillowcase band)

Finished pillowcase: 30×20" (fits a standard-size bed pillow)
Finished block: 4" square

Quantities are for 44/45"-wide, 100% cotton fabrics.
Measurements include $\frac{1}{4}$" seam allowances for piecing blocks and $\frac{1}{2}$" seam allowances for pillowcase construction. Sew with right sides together unless otherwise stated.

Cut Fabrics
From light pink print, cut:
- 5—$\frac{5}{4}$" squares, cutting each diagonally twice in an X for 20 triangles total
From dark pink print, cut
- 5—$\frac{5}{4}$" squares, cutting each diagonally twice in an X for 20 triangles total
From white floral, cut:
- 1—$25\frac{1}{2} \times 41$" rectangle
- 1—$1\frac{1}{2} \times 40\frac{1}{2}$" strip
From blue print, cut
- 1—$6\frac{1}{2} \times 40\frac{1}{2}$" strip
- 1—$1\frac{1}{2} \times 40\frac{1}{2}$" strip

Assemble Blocks
Use a $\frac{1}{4}$" seam allowance for the following steps.

1. Sew together two print light pink print triangles and two dark pink print triangles in pairs (Diagram 1). Press seams in opposite directions. Join pairs to make a bow tie block. Press seam in one direction. The block should be $4\frac{1}{2}$" square including seam allowances.

2. Repeat Step 1 to make 10 bow tie blocks total.

Assemble Band
Use a $\frac{1}{4}$" seam allowance for the following steps.

1. Referring to Band Assembly Diagram for block orientation, lay out bow tie blocks in a row. Sew together to make a block row. Press seams in one direction. The block row should be $4\frac{1}{4} \times 40\frac{1}{2}$" including seam allowances.

2. Add white floral $1\frac{1}{4} \times 40\frac{1}{2}$" strip and blue print $1\frac{1}{2} \times 40\frac{1}{2}$" strip to long edges of block row (Band Assembly Diagram). Press seams toward strips. Add blue print $6\frac{1}{2} \times 40\frac{1}{2}$" strip. Press seam open. The unit should be $12 \times 40\frac{1}{2}$" including seam allowances.

3. Join ends of Step 2 unit to make a loop. Fold loop in half with wrong side inside; press to make pillowcase band.

Assemble Pillowcase
Use a $\frac{1}{2}$" seam allowance for the following steps.

1. Fold white floral $25\frac{1}{2} \times 41$" rectangle in half to form a $25\frac{1}{2} \times 20\frac{1}{2}$" rectangle. Sew together long edges and one pair of short edges to make pillowcase body. Turn right side out and press flat.

2. Matching raw edges, slide pillowcase band over pillowcase body (Diagram 2); pin. Sew together through all layers.
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DIAGRAM 1

BAND ASSEMBLY DIAGRAM

DIAGRAM 2

DIAGRAM 3