

Fabric Requirements:

7/8 yard Chain Fabric (used in border and ruffle)

1/4 yard Background Fabric

5/8 yard Backing Fabric

18" Pillow form

WST - Wrong Sides Together

1/4 Seam Allowance is used throughout

Cutting and Prep:

Chain Fabric:

(4) 5" strips - sewn end to end, folded in half (WST) and ruffled

(2) 2" strips - cut into (2) 15 1/2" long pieces and (2) 18 1/2" long pieces for border

(3) 1 1/2" wide strips - for strip piecing blocks

Background Fabric:

(3) 1 1/2" wide strips - for strip piecing blocks

(1) 3 1/2" wide strip - cut into (12) 3 1/2" squares for alternating blocks

Backing Fabric

(2) 18 1/2" x 22 1/2" rectangles; folded in half (WST) to measure 18 1/2" x 11 1/4" for backing flaps

1/4 yard

The 9-Patch

Sew 1 strip-sets of Set A combo (BG/Chain/BG) and Set B combo (Chain/BG/Chain)

Cut across each of the sets at 1 1/2" segments. (Make 13 patch-sets from Set A and 26 patch-sets from Set B.)

Sew 9-patch blocks using the patch set segments with row 1 - set B; row 2 - set A; row 3 - set B (as shown in block illustration)

Sew 5 rows of 5 blocks alternating the 9-patch block with a plain BG 3 1/2" square.

ALL ODD ROWS BEGIN WITH 9-PATCH; ALL EVEN ROWS BEGIN WITH BG SQUARE

Sew rows together to make the pillow top. (see shown in the pillow top illustration)

Sew a 15 1/2" long border strip to opposite sides of the pillow top. Sew an 18 1/2" long border strip to the remaining opposite sides of the pillow top.

Place pillow top on work surface RS up. Pin ruffle around edges with the folded edge toward the center of the pillow and the gathered raw edges aligned with the pillow top's raw edges, giving extra gathering at the corners and overlapping the ends and either folded down, joined or angled so the ends of the ruffle are hidden.

Place one backing section on one side of the pillow top, aligning the raw edges of the backing and the pillow top, sandwiching the ruffle inside, pin in place. Place the other backing section on the opposite side of the pillow top, also, aligning the raw edges of the backing and the pillow top, sandwiching the ruffle inside, pin in place. Folded edges of backing will overlap approx. 4" at the center of the pillow top.

Sew around all 4 sides of the pillow top.

Turn right side out through the overlapping back pieces. Insert 18" pillow and enjoy!

