

# "HOT DOG" PILLOWCASE

## SUPPLIES

100% cotton, fun, bright fabric with kid-friendly designs (no flannel or glitter, please)

- \* 3/4 yard main body fabric (The "HOT DOG")
- \* 1/3 yard coordinating border fabric (The "BUN")
- \* Matching thread

## PREPARATION (Remove selvages from all fabrics)

Cut the body "HOT DOG" into a strip that is 26 1/2 inches by 40 1/2 inches  
Cut the border "BUN" into a strip that is 10 1/2 inches by 40 1/2 inches

**Step 1:** With the border of the pillowcase laying RIGHT SIDE UP on a flat surface in front of you, take the body of the pillowcase and place it RIGHT SIDE DOWN on top of the border. Match edges and corners. Pin. (You will no longer be able to see the border in front of you.)



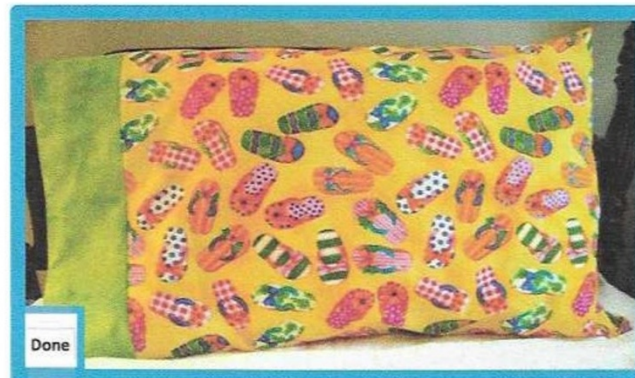
**Step 2:** Roll up the other end of the body until you are about an inch or two away from the pinned end.



**Step 3:** You should now see the border peeking out from underneath the body. Take that edge of the border and fold it over the rolled-up body aligning its corners with the other two pieces of fabric that have been pinned. Re-pin all three layers of fabric together.



**Step 4:** Sew a 1/2 inch seam along the pinned edge taking out the pins as you go along. You will begin to see the "HOT DOG" and "BUN" analogy, with the body rolled up as a "HOT DOG" inside the border which is wrapped around the "HOT DOG" and acting as the "BUN." On either end of this "BUN" piece, you will see the rolled-up "HOT DOG" inside the sewed-up border.



**Step 5:** Roll back the border while simultaneously pulling out the body from within. Your pillowcase is almost complete. All that's left is two more seams, which are done by folding the pillowcase in half with the WRONG SIDE facing out and sewing a 1/2 inch seam along the side and bottom of the pillowcase. Turn the pillowcase inside-out, and you have a finished pillowcase. An optional French seam (leaving no raw edges) can also be used when closing the side and bottom of the pillowcase. To sew a French seam, place the WRONG SIDES of the pillowcase together and sew the side and bottom edges with less than a 1/4 inch seam allowance. Turn the pillowcase inside out and re-sew the side and bottom edges with a little more than a 1/4 inch seam allowance. Turn and press.



**FINISHING INSIDE SEAMS:** (Optional, but very nice.) If a French seam is not used, inside raw edge seams can be finished using a serger or zig zag stitch.



Serge



Zig Zag