

Plaid Porch Pillow

(Plum/green colourway)

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Difficulty Rating *

Materials

- Fabric 1: one 3½in (9cm) square Eden moss (100476)
- Fabric 2: two 3½in (9cm) squares Berrytangle sage (100479)
- Fabric 3: three 3½in (9cm) squares Friendly Gathering fern (100478)
- Fabric 4: two 3½in (9cm) squares Elanora teal (100477)
- Fabric 5: four 3½in (9cm) squares Applegarden pine (100480)
- Fabric 6: one 3½in (9cm) square Friendly Gathering plum (100475)
- Fabric 7: one 3½in (9cm) square Elanora grape (100474)
- Fabric 8: three 3½in (9cm) squares Applegarden plum (100471)
- Fabric 9: two 3½in (9cm) squares Berrytangle plum (100472)
- Fabric 10: one 3½in (9cm) square Eden grape (100473)
- Fabric 11: two 3½in (9cm) squares My Neighbourhood lilac (110062)
- Fabric 12: two 3½in (9cm) squares My Neighbourhood moss (110063)
- Fabric 13: six 3½in (9cm) squares and three 3½in x 6½in rectangles Solid warm sand (120002)
- Fabric 14: four 3½in (9cm) squares and two 3½in x 6½in rectangles Solid blue sage (120008)
- Fabric 15: two 3½in (9cm) squares and one 3½in x 6½in rectangle Solid lavender pink (120010)
- Fabric 16: two 3½in (9cm) squares Chambray Dot mauve (160055)
- Fabric 17: four 3½in (9cm) squares Chambray Dot denim (160057)
- Wadding (batting): 29in x 20in (73.6cm x 50.8cm)
- Lining fabric (optional): 29in x 20in (73.6cm x 50.8cm)
- Fabric for back of pillow: 7/8yd (80cm) Chambray Dot denim (160057)
- Binding fabric: ¹/₄yd (25cm) Solid dusty teal (120043)
- Five buttons for pillow fastening (optional) Hometown ³/₄in (18mm) diameter (400048)
- Piecing and quilting threads
- Quilter's ruler, rotary cutter and mat
- Pillow pad to fit cover

Finished Size

27½ in x 18½ in (70cm x 47cm)

General Notes

- Fabric quantities are based on a usable width of 42in (107cm), unless otherwise stated.
- Measurements are in imperial inches with metric conversions in brackets use only *one* system throughout (preferably inches).

- Width measurements are generally given first.
- Press all fabrics before cutting.
- Use ¼in (6mm) seams unless otherwise instructed.
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Pillow Layout and Cutting Out

1 The quilt uses just two patches – a square cut $3\frac{1}{2}$ in (9cm) and a rectangle cut $3\frac{1}{2}$ in x $6\frac{1}{2}$ in (9cm x 16.5cm). See **Fig A** for the fabrics used and **Fig B** for the layout and positions of the fabrics.

- 2 The squares and rectangles needed are given in the Materials list.
- **3** Cut the fabric for the back of the pillow into two pieces, each 12in x 27½in (30.5cm x 70cm).
- 4 Cut the binding fabric into three strips $2\frac{1}{2}$ in (6.4cm) x width of fabric. Sew them together end to end and press seams open. Press in half along the length, wrong sides together.

Fig A Fabric swatches

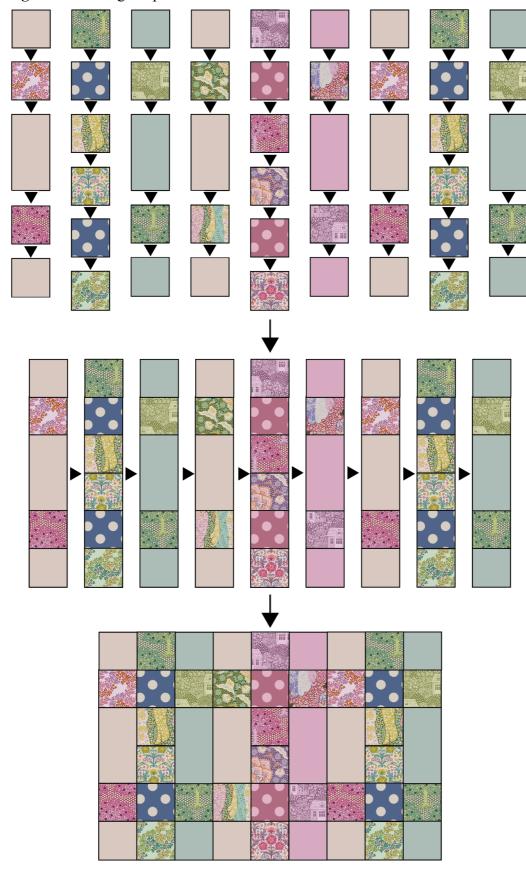


Fig B Pillow layout and positions of fabrics

Sewing the Patchwork

5 Lay out all the pieces as shown in **Fig B**. Sew the pieces together into columns, as shown in **Fig C**, pressing the seams of columns 1, 3, 5, 7 and 9 downwards and the seams of columns 2, 4, 6, and 8 upwards. Now sew the columns together, matching up seams neatly. Press seams in one direction. Check the patchwork is $27\frac{1}{2}$ in $x 18\frac{1}{2}$ in (70cm x 47cm).

Fig C Assembling the patchwork



Quilting and Finishing

6 Make a quilt sandwich of the patchwork, wadding (batting) and lining fabric (if using). Quilt as desired. Trim off excess wadding and lining fabric to match the patchwork size.

7 To make up the pillow cover, take the two pieces of fabric for the pillow back and on one long side, create a hem by turning the edge over by 1in (2.5cm), twice. Sew the seams with matching thread and press (**Fig D**).

8 For the fastening, using your sewing machine, create five equally spaced buttonholes within the hem of the lower piece (see **Fig D**). Sew five buttons onto the upper piece, matching their positions to the buttonholes (**Fig E** shows the buttons used). *Note:* Instead of making buttonholes, you could use a hook and loop fastening, such as Velcro, to fasten the cover and then sew on the buttons as a decorative feature.

9 The pillow has a bound edge, so the pieces are assembled with right sides out, as follows. Place the quilted patchwork right side down. On the backing, fasten the buttons into the buttonholes and then place the whole piece on top of the patchwork, right side up. Check it is the same size as the patchwork, trimming the raw edges if need be. Make sure the outer edges of all pieces are aligned. Pin or tack (baste) the layers together and then bind as normal. As you sew the binding in place it will fix the other layers together. Press the cover and insert a pillow pad to finish.

Fig D Making up the cover

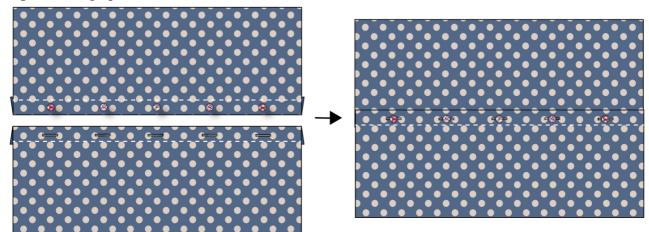


Fig E The buttons used



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- Fabric 13: six 3½in (9cm) squares and three 3½in x 6½in rectangles Solid warm sand (120002)
- Fabric 14: four 3½in (9cm) squares and two 3½in x 6½in rectangles Solid dusty rose (120009)
- Fabric 15: two 3½in (9cm) squares and one 3½in x 6½in rectangle Solid light blue (120044)
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- Fabric for back of pillow: 7/8yd (80cm) Chambray Dot burgundy (160053)
- Binding fabric: \(\frac{1}{2} \) yd (25cm) Solid country red (120014)
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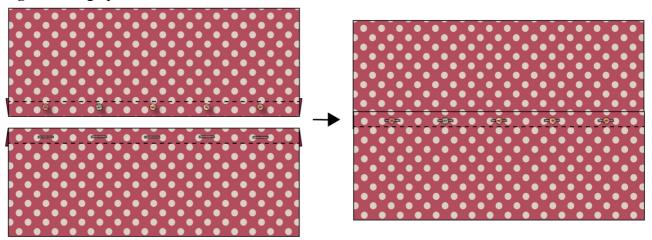


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