

The 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ Minute Serged Pillowcase

This is a quick and easy pillowcase tutorial, perfect for charity donations, slumber party favors or just for fun! This tutorial does require a serger.

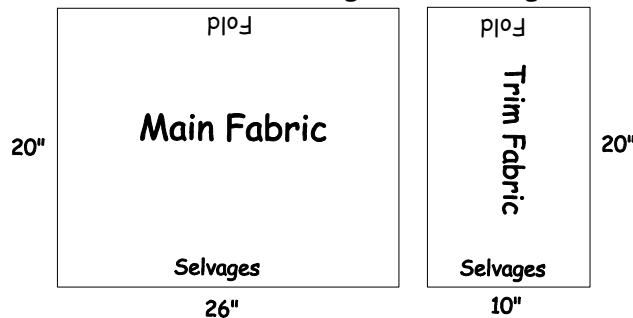
Fabric:
Cotton woven quilting fabrics
 $\frac{3}{4}$ yard of main fabric
 $\frac{1}{3}$ yard of trim fabric

$\frac{1}{2}$ " seam allowance included. Be sure to pre-wash and dry your fabrics—this pattern is slightly smaller than store-bought pillowcases because the fabric is preshrunk.



Step 1:

Measure and trim fabric. Fold main fabric in half matching up selvages. Trim to 20" across from fold and 26" from raw edge to raw edge. Fold trim fabric in half matching up selvages. Trim to 20" across from fold and 10" from raw edge to raw edge.



Step 2:

Unfold both pieces of fabric. Refold trim fabric in half the long way with wrong sides together.



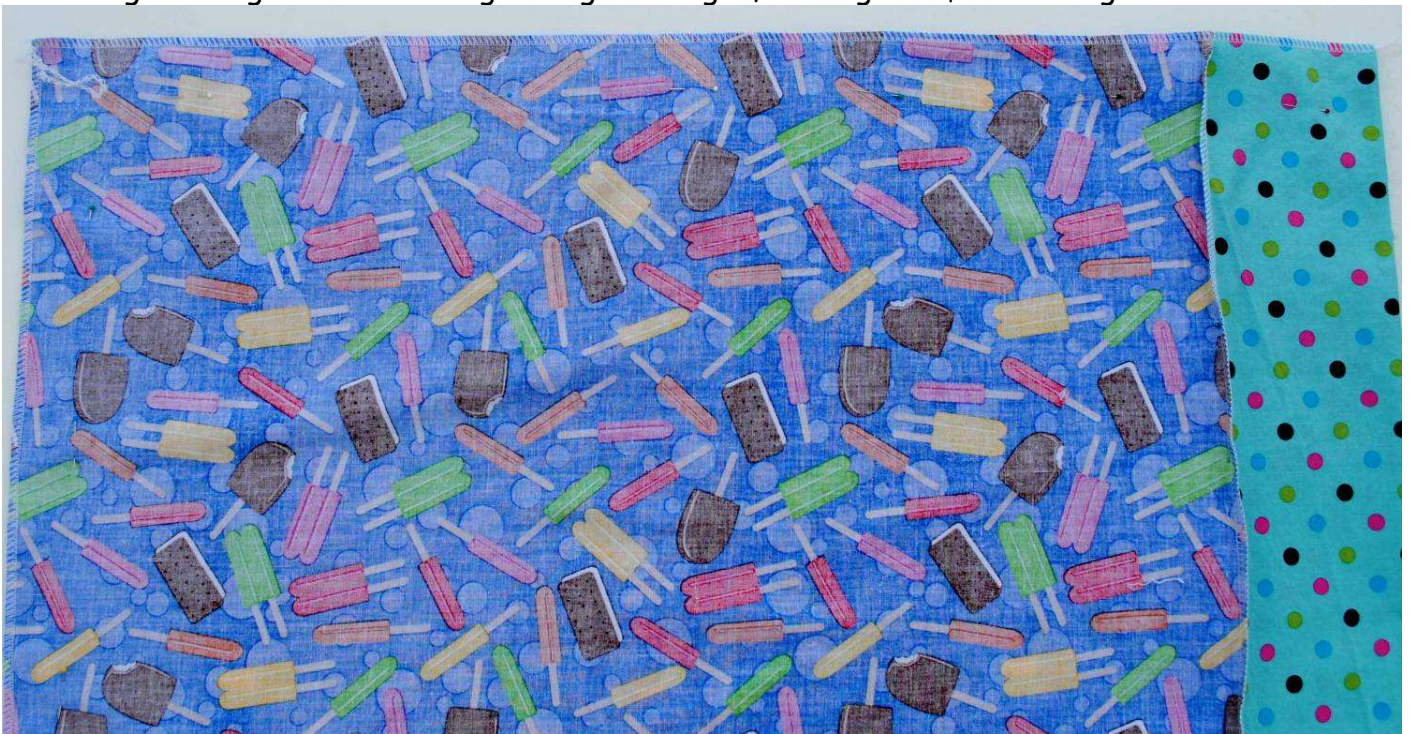
Step 3:

Pin trim fabric along the top edge of main fabric with the right side of main fabric facing up, matching up raw edges. Serge, trimming off $\frac{1}{4}$ " with serger blade.



Step 4:

Flip trim piece up, then fold the pillowcase over with right sides facing, matching up the two remaining raw edges. Pin and serge along raw edges, cutting off $\frac{1}{4}$ " with serger blade.



Step 5

Leave the serger tails inside the pillowcase at the bottom two corners about 2" long. They'll be hidden inside and leaving them longer will keep the serging from unraveling. To finish off the serger tail at the top edge of the pillowcase, begin by trimming it to about 1". Then fold it backwards on top of the serging.



Now place it under the needle of your sewing machine and sew down the middle of the tail, backstitching at both ends, securing it inside the pillowcase.



Step 6

Turn your finished pillowcase right-side out and press.

Did it take you more than 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ minutes? The second one is always faster—better make another and see if you can beat your time!

