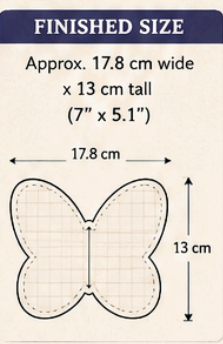


♥ Patchwork Butterfly Pillow ♥

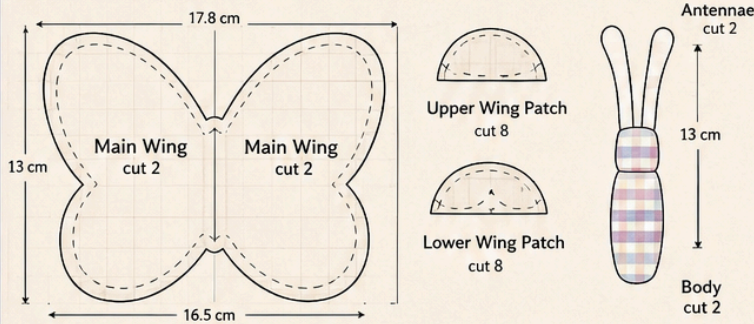
A Step-by-Step Sewing & Quilting Tutorial



- MATERIALS**
- Assorted cotton fabrics (quilting weight)
 - Cotton batting
 - Fabric for back
 - Coordinating thread
 - Hand sewing needle
 - Fabric scissors
 - Pins or clips
 - Sewing machine
 - Stuffing (fiberfill)
 - Iron & ironing board



PATTERN & PIECES (All measurements include 0.7 cm seam allowance)



CUTTING GUIDE (in cm)

Piece	Cut Size
Main Wing (outer)	17.8 x 13 cm (cut 2)
Upper Wing Patch	7.5 x 5 cm (cut 8)
Lower Wing Patch	7.5 x 5 cm (cut 8)
Body	13 x 3.5 cm (cut 2)
Antennae	13 x 2.5 cm (cut 2)
Back of Pillow	18 x 14 cm (cut 2)
Batting (Wings)	17.8 x 13 cm (cut 2)

Note: All seam allowances are 0.7 cm.

STEP-BY-STEP INSTRUCTIONS

- PREPARE THE PATCHES**
Cut 8 upper patches and 8 lower patches. Arrange the fabrics as desired.
- SEW PATCHES TO WING**
Sew the upper patches to the top half of the main wing. Press seams outward.
- ADD LOWER PATCHES**
Sew the lower patches to the bottom half of the main wing. Press seams outward.
- MAKE 2 WINGS**
Repeat steps 2-3 for the second main wing. You should have 2 patchwork wings.
- PREPARE BODY**
Sew the body pieces right sides together leaving an opening. Turn right side out and stuff.
- MAKE ANTENNAE**
Fold each antenna piece in half lengthwise. Sew along the edge. Turn right side out.
- ASSEMBLE BUTTERFLY**
Place the body between the two wings. Pin and stitch securely.
- ADD BATTING & BACK**
Place batting behind the butterfly. Place back fabric right sides together and sew around the edge, leaving a 7.5 cm opening.
- TURN & STUFF**
Turn the pillow right side out through the opening. Stuff firmly.
- CLOSE OPENING**
Sew the opening closed.
- ADD RUFFLE (OPTIONAL)**
Cut a strip 5 cm wide x 80 cm long. Hand stitch the opening closed using a hidden stitch.
- FINAL TOUCH**
Cut a strip 5 cm wide x 80 cm long. Gather and sew around edge for a ruffle. Press.

MAIN SEWING & QUILTING METHODS (US/Quilt Standards)

- 1/4" Seam Allowance** Standard for quilting.
- Press Seam** Always press seams open or to one side.
- Topstitching** Sew close to the edge for a neat finish.
- Stay Stitch (optional)** Sew 1/4" inside the edge to prevent stretching.
- Hand Stitch** Use a ladder stitch to close openings.
- Gathering** Sew long basting stitches and pull the thread to gather.

TIPS

- Use 100% cotton fabric for best results.
- Press every seam for a professional finish.
- Use pins or clips to keep pieces aligned.
- Adjust stuffing for a softer or firmer pillow.

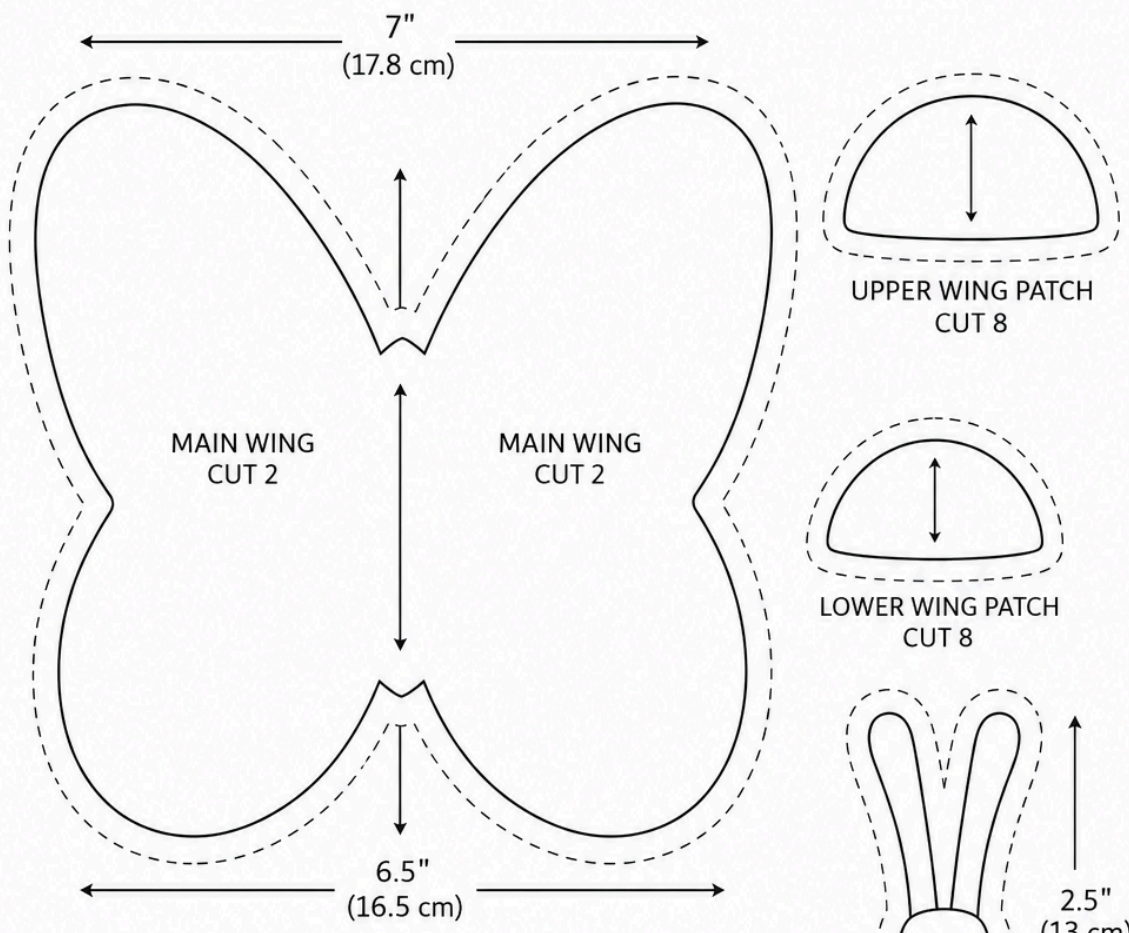
CARE INSTRUCTIONS

- Hand wash recommended
- Air dry
- Do not bleach
- Iron on medium heat

CONVERSION GUIDE

- 1 inch = 2.54 cm
- 7" = 17.8 cm
- 6.5" = 16.5 cm
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ENJOY YOUR HANDMADE PATCHWORK BUTTERFLY PILLOW! ♥

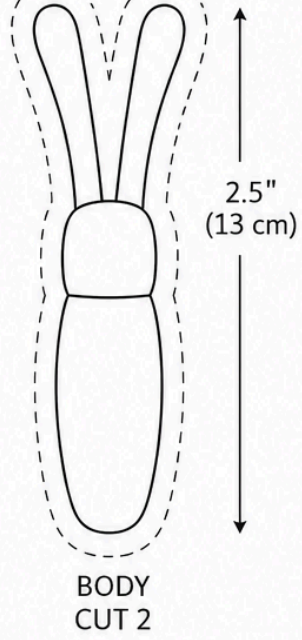


LEGEND

———— CUTTING LINE
 - - - - - SEAM ALLOWANCE (1/4" / 0.6 cm)

NOTES

- SEAM ALLOWANCE IS INCLUDED (1/4" / 0.6 cm)
- USE A 1/4" (0.6 cm) SEAM ALLOWANCE
- SEW RIGHT SIDES TOGETHER
- LEAVE AN OPENING FOR TURNING
- TURN RIGHT SIDE OUT AND STUFF
- HAND STITCH THE OPENING CLOSED



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Patchwork Butterfly Pillow Tutorial

Patchwork Butterfly Pillow is a charming sewing and quilting project made with colorful cotton fabrics, soft batting, and a simple butterfly-shaped design. This tutorial follows the measurements and steps from the graphic so you can make the pillow from start to finish.

Finished Size

The finished Patchwork Butterfly Pillow is approximately 7 inches wide by 5.1 inches tall.

In centimeters, the finished size is about 17.8 cm wide by 13 cm tall.

All seam allowances are included at 0.7 cm, which is close to 1/4 inch, the standard seam allowance used in many U.S. quilting projects.

Materials You Will Need

You will need assorted cotton fabrics in quilting weight.

Choose fabrics such as polka dots, gingham, stripes, solids, florals, or small prints.

You will also need cotton batting, backing fabric, coordinating thread, a hand sewing needle, fabric scissors, pins or clips, a sewing machine, fiberfill stuffing, and an iron with ironing board.

For a traditional patchwork look, use red, blue, cream, and light denim-style fabrics.

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Cutting Guide

Cut 2 main wing pieces measuring 17.8 cm x 13 cm.

Cut 8 upper wing patches measuring 7.5 cm x 5 cm.

Cut 8 lower wing patches measuring 7.5 cm x 5 cm.

Cut 2 body pieces measuring 13 cm x 3.5 cm.

Cut 2 antenna pieces measuring 13 cm x 2.5 cm.

Cut 2 back pillow pieces measuring 18 cm x 14 cm.

Cut 2 batting pieces for the wings measuring 17.8 cm x 13 cm.

Step 1: Prepare the Patches

Cut all 8 upper wing patches and 8 lower wing patches.

Arrange the fabrics before sewing so the colors look balanced.

Place light, dark, patterned, and solid pieces in a pleasing order.

Try mixing red gingham, blue polka dots, striped cotton, and cream fabric.

Press each fabric piece flat before sewing.

Step 2: Sew the Upper Patches to the Wing

Take one main wing piece and begin sewing the upper patches onto the top half.

Place the patches right sides together with the wing fabric.

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Sew using a 0.7 cm seam allowance.

Press each seam outward after sewing.

Repeat until the upper section of the wing has a patchwork look.

Step 3: Add the Lower Patches

Now sew the lower wing patches to the bottom half of the main wing.

Use the same seam allowance.

Keep the curved butterfly shape in mind while arranging the pieces.

Press the seams outward after every seam.

This helps the pillow stay smooth and gives the patchwork a professional finish.

Step 4: Make Two Patchwork Wings

Repeat the same patchwork process for the second main wing.

You should now have 2 patchwork butterfly wings.

Make sure both wings look balanced.

They do not need to be identical, but they should feel visually connected.

Press both finished wings well.

Step 5: Prepare the Body

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Place the 2 body pieces right sides together.

Sew around the edges, leaving one small opening.

Turn the body right side out.

Stuff it lightly with fiberfill.

The body should be firm but not too hard.

Step 6: Make the Antennae

Fold each antenna piece in half lengthwise.

Sew along the long edge.

Turn each antenna right side out carefully.

Lightly press the antennae.

You can curve them gently before attaching them to the pillow.

Step 7: Assemble the Butterfly Front

Place the body in the center between the two wings.

Position the antennae at the top of the body.

Pin or clip everything securely.

Stitch the body to the wings by hand or machine.

Make sure the center is secure because this holds the butterfly shape together.

Step 8: Add Batting and Back Fabric

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Place the batting behind the butterfly front.

Then place the back fabric right sides together with the butterfly front.

Pin or clip around the edges.

Sew around the butterfly, leaving an opening of about 7.5 cm.

This opening will be used for turning and stuffing.

Step 9: Turn and Stuff the Pillow

Turn the pillow right side out through the opening.

Use your fingers or a turning tool to shape the curves gently.

Stuff the pillow firmly with fiberfill.

Add small amounts at a time.

Make sure the wings, body area, and edges are evenly filled.

Step 10: Close the Opening

Fold the raw edges of the opening inward.

Use a hand sewing needle and matching thread.

Close the opening with a hidden stitch or ladder stitch.

Pull the thread gently so the seam disappears.

Knot securely when finished.

Step 11: Add the Optional Ruffle

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Cut a strip of fabric measuring about 5 cm wide x 80 cm long.

Gather the strip by sewing a long basting stitch along one edge.

Pull the thread gently to create a ruffle.

Place the ruffle around the butterfly edge.

Hand stitch the ruffle in place using small hidden stitches.

Step 12: Final Touch

Check the full pillow shape.

Adjust the stuffing if needed.

Press gently around the edges, avoiding flattening the stuffed sections too much.

Trim loose threads.

Your Patchwork Butterfly Pillow is ready to use or gift.

Care Instructions

Hand washing is recommended.

Air dry the pillow flat.

Do not bleach.

Iron only on medium heat if needed, and avoid pressing directly over stuffed areas.

Helpful Tips

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Use 100% cotton fabric for best results.

Press every seam for a clean patchwork finish.

Use pins or clips to keep curved pieces aligned.

Adjust the stuffing depending on whether you want a softer or firmer pillow.

For a more decorative look, add quilting stitches, embroidery, or a tiny handmade label.

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Enjoy your handmade Patchwork Butterfly Pillow! 

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