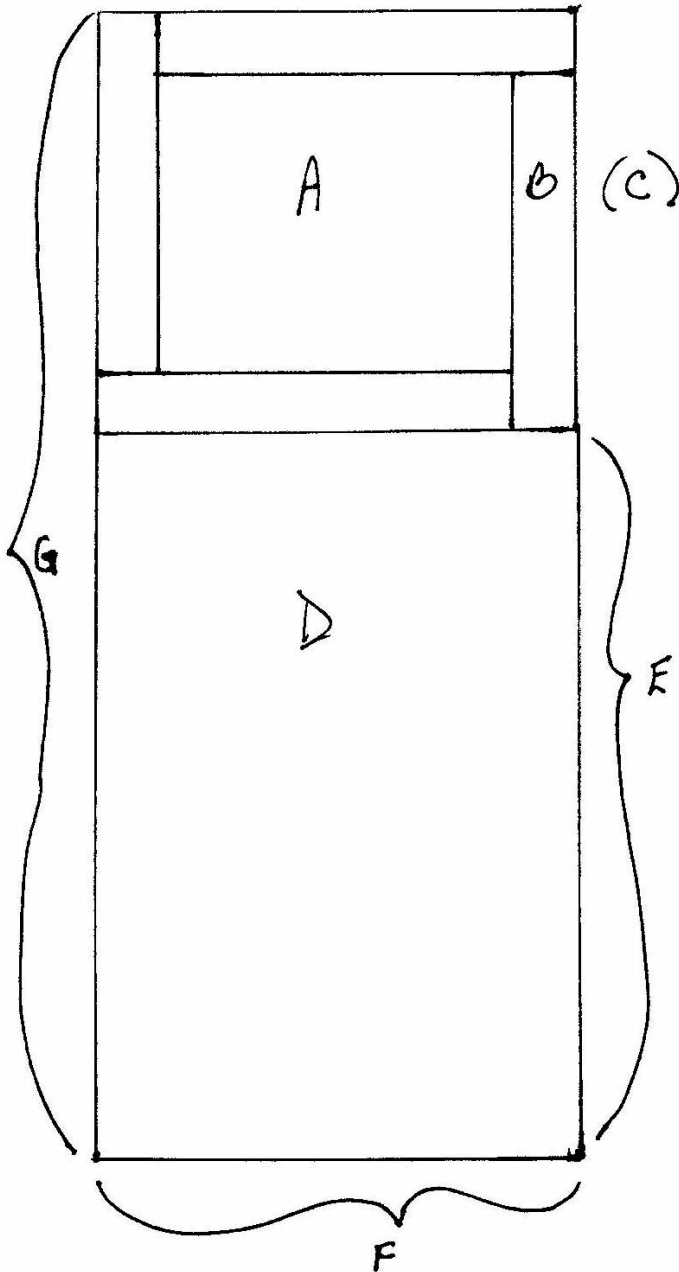




## Pillow Wraps

Here's the pattern for the Pillow Wraps shown by Linda Hertensteiner at the October meeting. They are sized to fit the "airline-size" pillows sold at Wal-Mart for around \$6. Our thanks to Maureen Miller and Dolores Shafer, the creators of this interesting "block exchange" for the Itty Bitty Quilt Committee at the Cotton Patch.



- A Your 8" (unfinished) center square
- B First border – 1 ½" (unfinished)
- (C) I add a second border – 2" (unfinished). You may need to adjust your final width measurements if adding a second border (I like a wider wrap, and your pillow will accommodate it).
- D Your extension to wrap around the pillow – 16" long ("E") by 12 ½" wide ("F"). This may be the same fabric as your second border (you can eliminate the bottom border strip if that is the case) or use complimentary fabric.
- G Total length of your wrap – about 27" long (finished)

### Instructions:

1. Purchase a 12" x 16" Soft Touch pillow from Wal-Mart and cover it with block fabric.
2. Make your 8" center square.
3. Sew your border(s) to your center square.
4. Sew your extension to the bottom of your finished block.
5. Make a quilt sandwich of your entire piece. I do this by ironing a long piece of fusible fleece to the back of my sewn piece, and then attaching the backing, pillow-case style. After turning the piece right-side out and pressing it, I top-stitch all around the edge to secure the piece (and to close the opening).
6. Quilt your block and/or embellish as desired.
7. Wrap the finished piece around your pillow and determine where the overlap falls. Top-stitch as measured (on top of your previous stitching) across the top edge to make your "wrap." (You can also use Velcro or buttons, snaps, etc. to close up your loop if you'd rather—sewing is the simplest closure, but it's a little awkward to do.)
8. Slide the wrap onto your pillow and enjoy! (Call Linda Hertensteiner if you have questions.)