



SCOTTY DOG PILLOW

Opal Scotty Dog Pillow

This cute and soft Scotty Dog pillow can be sewn in a million ways. With your HUSQVARNA VIKING® Opal™ Sewing machine it's easy to make it uniquely yours. Simply vary the size and color of the squares to create your own personal Scotty Dog pillow to cherish!

You can mix and match whatever fabric you may find whether it be cottons, satins, wools, or new fabrics. Gather scraps of different colors and prints and cut them into same size squares. The size of the squares determine the size of the dog.

In total, 27 squares are used (54 if you wish to have a patchwork backside to your Scotty Dog as well).

Sewing Supplies:

- Fabric scraps and pieces for patchwork
- Fabric for side strip
- Fabric for back side (if not having a patchwork backside)
- Fusible batting
- Polyester stuffing to stuff the dog
- Two buttons for eye(s)
- Sewing thread
- Robinson Anton embroidery thread for embellishment



Cut the Fabric

Dog:

Our dog is made of 3" x 3" (8 x 8 cm) squares.

Cut 27 (or in case you choose to have a pieced backside, 54) squares in different fabrics. Make your squares 1/2" (12 mm) larger than the size you want for your dog in order to accommodate the 1/4" (6 mm) seam allowances.

Side Strip:

The side of the dog is made out of a long strip of smaller pieces sewn together. The seams of the side strip are placed at the "corners" of the dog.

The width of the strip is the same as the size of the squares. Thus, make the strip 3 1/2" (9 cm) wide (1/4" / 6 mm seam allowance included).

- Cut:
- A. 8 pieces 3 1/2" x 3 1/2" (9 x 9 cm)
 - B. 5 pieces 3 1/2" x 6 1/2" (9 x 17 cm)
 - C. 1 piece 3 1/2" x 9 1/2" (9 x 25 cm)
 - D. 1 piece 3 1/2" x 12 1/2" (9 x 33 cm)
 - E. 1 piece 3 1/2" x 15 1/2" (9 x 41 cm)

Backside:

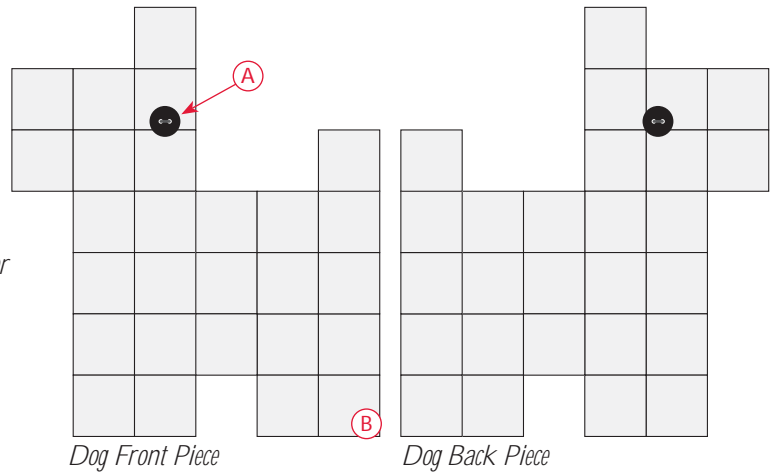
Either repeat the front piece patchwork also on the backside or cut out a backpiece in a fabric matching the rest of the dog. If using a single piece of fabric for the backside assemble the dog front first and then use it as a template for the backside.

Note: Make sure to mirror image the backside.

Design your Scotty Dog

Arrange your squares into the shape of a Scotty Dog (see illustration to the right). If you want patchwork on both sides of the pillow, arrange another one making sure to mirror image them.

Tip: If making your Scotty Dog with smaller squares 2 1/2" x 2 1/2" (6x6 cm) you could add an extra row of squares between the paws in order to create a Scotty Dog Neck Roll pillow. Why not use your Scotty Dog as a neck support when relaxing on your sofa or for your children to use as a portable neck pillow when riding in the car or on their next flight?



Sew the Scotty Dog

Front Piece

If you like, embellish some of the squares using decorative stitches before piecing them together.

Place the fabric right sides together and sew the squares together in vertical rows. Place the right edge of the presser foot along the edge of the fabric and piece the squares together using the 1/4" Seam (2:1).

Tip: Adjust the stitch length to 2 mm to sew the squares together without needing to fix the seam.

Press the seam allowances up or down, alternating the direction for each row. When the vertical rows are assembled, stitch them together to create the dog front piece.

Press the seam allowances to the sides.

Press fusible batting to the wrong side of the front and back pieces. Decorate the seams with different quilt stitches (menu 2 on your HUSQVARNA VIKING® Opal™ Sewing machine).

Repeat to create the back piece of the pillow, or place the front piece right sides together with the backing fabric and cut out a backside.

Eye(s)

Use the Sew-On Button function 1:33 (670)/1:29 (650) to stitch a button to the front (and back) piece, giving the dog an eye (A).

Side Strip

Sew the side strip together following the illustration to the right. The letters on the illustration refer to the different sizes of the strip pieces (see Cut – Side strip).

Place the right edge of the presser foot along the edge of the fabric and sew the pieces together using the 1/4" Seam (2:1). Press the seams to the side.

Assemble the Scotty Dog

Sew the side strip to the dog front piece beginning at the end of the back paw (B). Leave the first quarter inch (6 mm) of the seam unsewn to allow for joining at the end of the seam.

Place the right edge of the presser foot along the edge of the fabric and stitch using the 1/4" Seam (2:1). When sewing, make

sure that the seams on the side strip match the corners on the dog front piece.

For best results, the corners must stay square. At the corners, stop stitching with the needle down and pivot the fabric. Start stitching again being careful not to catch the seam allowances with your needle when stitching inside corners. Clip the corners of the side strip.

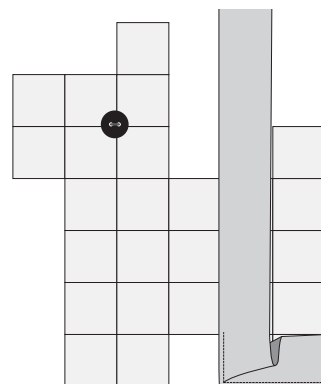
When you are near to the end, stop and sew the ends of the Side Strip together, trimming any excess fabric. Continue sewing until the strip is completely attached to the front piece.

Turn the Scotty Dog right side out and press the seams.

Now place the side strip right sides together with the backside of the dog. Stitch the side strip to the backside leaving an opening under the paw to stuff the dog.

Stuff the dog and stitch the opening closed using the Stretch Straight stitch (1:2) to achieve a seam that resembles hand stitching when sewn over the edge.

Enjoy your new Scotty Dog friend!



Sew the side strip to the dog front piece, beginning at the end of the back paw



Side strip assembly order