

Fantasy Flower Pin Cushion



Kit Contents:

- ¼ yard of fabric for bottom layer of leaves and for covering the round cardboard base
- ⅓ yard of fabric for flower petals
- 6-inch square of fabric for pin cushion center

You will also need:

- 3-inch round piece of cardboard for base
- Small amount of fiberfill for pin cushion
- Needle and strong thread
- Scissors
- *Beacon 3-in-1 Advanced Craft Glue* or a hot glue gun

Make the following circle templates:

- 3-inch circle (Cardboard Base)
- 4½-inch circle (Base Fabric)
- 5-inch circle (Leaves and Flower Petals)
- 5¼-inch circle (Pin Cushion Center Fabric)

From the ¼ yard piece of fabric:

- Cut 1 4½-inch circle to cover cardboard base
- Cut 8 5-inch circles for bottom layer leaves

From the ⅓ yard piece of fabric:

- Cut 14 5-inch circles for flower petals

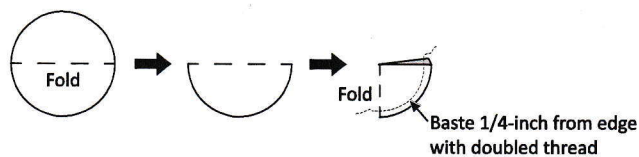
From the 6-inch square of fabric:

- Cut a 5¼-inch circle for the pin cushion

Construction:

Base: Run a basting stitch around the outside edge of the 4½-inch fabric circle. Pull to gather slightly. Insert the cardboard circle, pull gathers tightly and tie the ends of the thread.

Bottom Layer of leaves: Fold circles into quarters (Fig. 1). With a *doubled* thread about 22-inches long, baste bottom edge of quarter circles about ¼-inch from edge of fabric.



Pull stitches tightly to form gathers. Continue adding quartered circled leaves to your doubled thread until a tight circle is formed. Tie thread to keep circle intact.

Middle Layers – Flower Petals: Using 7 flower petals make a ring of petals using the same method as the bottom leaves. Make a second ring of petals using the remaining 7 flower petals.

Pin Cushion: Baste around outside edge of 5¼-inch fabric circle. Pull thread slightly to begin forming the cushion center. Insert fiberfill, stuffing it tightly. Pull thread to form a small ball for the cushion center and tie a strong knot. Insert additional fiberfill if needed.

Assemble layers:

- Using the *Beacon 3-in-1 Advanced Craft Glue* or a hot glue gun, glue the bottom layer of leaves to the base.
- Glue down your first layer of flower petals so the petals are offset between the leaves.
- Offset the second layer of flower petals so a petal falls between two petals this time, and glue in place.
- Finally, apply a generous amount of glue at the line of basting stitches on the top row of flower petals. Sit the pin cushion in place. Hold it down for a minute while the glue sets. Let dry before using.