

#### **FABRICATION**

# Rowley project list: Banquette Pillows

Making a unique pillow is something that allows the professional workroom to stand apart. One pillow uses welt cord as a design detail and has a diagonal band that joins at the bottom seam, the other is shaped to fit a back corner.



# PILLOWS WITH ANGLED BANDING: STEP-BY-STEP INSTRUCTIONS

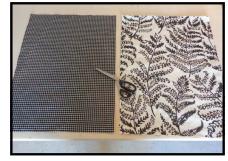
#### **MATERIALS & SUPPLIES**

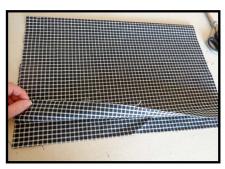
Rowley Products	SKU
R-TEX Micro Welt Cord	WC85
Square / Round Pillow Template	PF10
Polyester Iron-On Batting	PA20/5
Fringe Adhesive	<u>FA10</u>
Chalk Marker	<u>WW13/</u>
Scissors	<u>CU22</u>
Pillow Insert	PJ32
Gutermann Polyester Thread	TG1M/
John James Hand Sewing Needles	<u>TP108</u>
Pattern Making Paper	DYC18/
Fiberglass Roman Shade Rib	RSR12/
Polyester Batting	PF76
Molded Tooth Zipper Slides	ETP5/
Molded Tooth Zippers	ETR52/
R-TEX Polyester Welt Cord 1/4"	WCP1/

This project guide covers the steps to fabricate a 12"x 16" pillow with a welted and angle banding detail, as well as a corner pillow used to fill space on the banquette cusions.

#### **Cutting and Prepping the Pillow Face and Banding:**

- Cut the pillow face so that no top seam is needed. The pillow will simply fold at the top. **A.** Example: If you want a 12" x 16" pillow, cut 25" x 17" rectangle.
- Cut the banding fabric piece the same size as the pillow face.





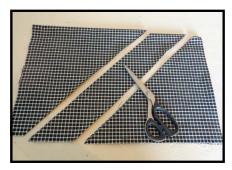


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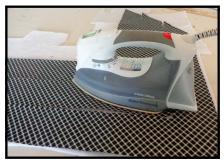
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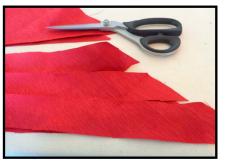
- Fold the banding fabric in half, top to bottom, right sides in.
  - **A.** Place your fold at the top.
- Measure 1  $\frac{1}{2}$ " over from the bottom left edge and from the top right edge. Mark.
- Measure over 4" from both marks. Mark.
  - **A.** This will give you a 4" marked band that will finish at 3".
- Cut the band fabric, on the marked cut lines.





- Apply Iron-On Batting to the banding pieces
- Cut and make enough welt cord to run along both sides of the angled banding





#### **Making the Pillow:**

- On the face fabric piece, measure over 1 ½" from the bottom and top left corners. Mark.
- Place the angled band on the pillow face fabric at the marks, making sure the corner of the band is also 1 ½" from the edge of the face fabric and right on the center fold.







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- Glue-baste welt to the outside two edges of the banding, making relief cuts at the corners.
- Using dots of glue, position the angled band on the face fabric and secure the two layers together. Do not glue in the





At the machine, tuck under the welt seam allowances and stitch-in-the-ditch to secure the banding to the pillow faceseam areas.



- Fold fabric so right sides are together and sew around the sides and bottom, leaving an area open for turning.
- Turn right sides out and recheck banding alignment. Adjust seams as needed.







Stuff pillow and hand close.

#### **CORNER PILLOWS: STEP-BY-STEP INSTRUCTIONS**

Make a template for the triangle shaped pillows using brown craft paper or pattern making paper. To curve the front edge of the pillow, use a fiberglass roman shade rib. The rib has holes drilled through the rib. Place pins through the holes and curve the rib to the desired shape.







- Mark the foam shape by placing the template on the foam and tracing around the template with a marking pen.
- Cut the foam to shape. Cover the foam with polyester batting.
- Place template on face fabric, add <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" seam allowances and cut out fabric for pillow. You will need two cuts, one for the top and one for the bottom.







- Cut a boxing strip for the front (curved) edge of the pillow. Add ¾" seam allowances on all sides. Make a lapped zipper long enough to go around the two back sides of the pillow. Cover and make enough welt cord to go around the top and bottom of the pillow.
- Since the pillow front is curved, add stability to this slight bias edge by stay-stitching just inside the seam allowance. You could also use fabric stabilizer on the entire pillow piece.







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- Stitch welt cord to the top and bottom of the pillow around all sides.
- After stitching the boxing strip to the zipper strip, stitch the boxing strip to the pillow. Notching the boxing strip at the corners allows for a perfect fit between the pillow top and pillow bottom.





- Before turning the pillow cover right side out, serge all raw seams. Clip the curve in the seam allowance.
- Turn pillow cover right side out.
- Place foam insert into the pillow and zip closed to complete.







