

Fleece "Quillo"

Start with a single piece of fleece, 36" X 45" or larger. You will make a blanket with a pocket sewn to one corner. When the blanket is folded, the pocket is pulled around to encase the blanket, making a pillow.

STEP BY STEP –

1. Take a single piece of fleece and cut off the selvage.
2. *Cut the pocket fabric from the length of the fabric. Cut all the way across the piece of fabric. Figure out which corner the pocket goes on. THIS IS KEY – the stretch of the pocket needs to be side to side, not top to bottom. Additionally, the fabric under the pocket needs to stretch the same direction as the pocket. This will make turning the pocket easier.
3. Mark the two sides of the pocket that are not part of the corner.
4. Surge the two sides of the pocket that do not make up the corner.
5. Pin the pocket to the corner of the blanket.
6. Surge around the blanket – surge the pocket to the blanket at the same time in the corner.
7. Sew the last edge of the pocket to the blanket using a stretch stitch.
8. Weave in any tails.
9. TO FOLD – Fold the blanket in half with the pocket on the outside. Fold the blanket in half again the same direction. Fold the blanket in half the other direction. Fold the blanket in half again. Pull the pocket around to encase the blanket. Voila! A pillow!

*FIGURING THE SIZE OF THE POCKET – The size of the pocket depends on the size of the fabric. The width of the pocket is the measurement after folding the width of the fabric in half and in half again. The length of the pocket is the measurement after folding length of the fabric in half and either in half again, or in thirds the second time. It is your choice as to the height of the pocket. Please remember there is not a right or wrong answer.

POSSIBILITIES:

- Finished - 36" X 36" Quillo. Start with a piece of fleece 36" X 45". To figure the pocket, divide 36" by 4 which equals 9". (That is what you get when you fold 36" in half and in half again.) Cut 9" off the 45" length of the fabric. Cut a 9" X 9" pocket. Use instructions above.
- Finished – 36" X 49" Quillo. That is what you would get if you bought one yard of fabric. Fleece is 60" wide. After you remove the selvage, it is 58" wide. You now have a piece of fabric 36" X 58". To figure the width of the pocket, divide 36" by 4 which equals 9". Cut 9" off the 58" length of the fabric. The fabric is now 36" X 49". To figure the length of the pocket, divide 49 by 2 which equals 25 (more or less), and divide 25 by 3 which is 8 (more or less). This way, you will fold the blanket in thirds for the last fold. As you can see, the math does not have to be exact. I would make the pocket 9" X 9".