Project: Dot-to-Dot Pillow

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FABRICS are from the Mini Confetti Dots collection by Dear Stella *(dearstelladesign.com)*.

Gather a rainbow of cute pastel polka dots for a checkerboard-look pillow.

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Materials
- 8—9×22" pieces (fat eighths) assorted pastel polka dots (pillow top)
- ½ yard green polka dot (pillow back, binding)
- 12½"-square muslin
- 12½"-square batting
- 10"-square pillow form

Finished pillow: 10½" square

Yardages and cutting instructions are based on 42" of usable fabric width.
Measurements include ¼" seam allowances. Sew with right sides together unless otherwise stated.

Cut Fabrics
Cut pieces in the following order.

From *each* assorted pastel polka dot, cut:
- 4—1¾×4" rectangles

From green polka dot, cut:
- 2—2½×42" binding strips
- 2—10½×8½" rectangles

Assemble Pillow Top
1. Referring to **Diagram 1,** align long edges and alternate colors of eight polka dot 1¾×4" rectangles in two colors. Sew together to make a strip set. Press seams in one direction. Cut strip set into two 1¾"-wide segments.

2. Repeat Step 1 with remaining assorted polka dot print 1¾×4" rectangles to make four sets of matching 1¾"-wide segments.

3. Referring to **Diagram 2,** sew together segments to make pillow top. Press seams in one direction.

Finish Pillow
1. Layer pillow top, batting square, and muslin square. Quilt as desired. For this project, a diagonal grid was machine-quilted through the center of the squares. Trim quilted pillow top to 10½" square.

2. Press under ¼" along a long edge of each green polka dot 10½×8½" rectangle. Press same edges under an additional 2" and topstitch in place to make two hemmed pillow back pieces.

3. With wrong sides together, pin pillow back pieces to pillow top, aligning raw edges and overlapping hemmed edges. Sew pieces together along all four outer edges to make pillow cover **(Pillow Assembly Diagram).**

4. Bind with green polka dot binding strips. Insert pillow form.
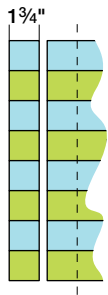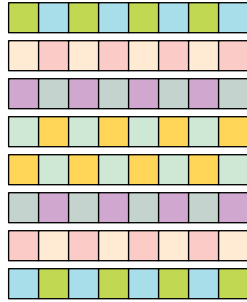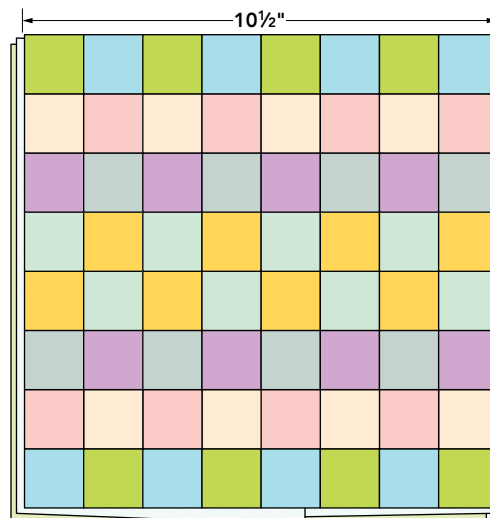
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1¾"

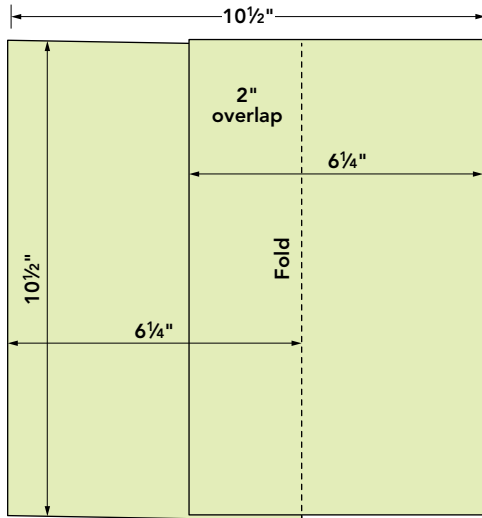DIAGRAM 1   DIAGRAM 2

10½"

2"
overlap

6¼"

10½"

Fold

6¼"

10½"

PILLOW BACK ASSEMBLY DIAGRAM