

Project: Premade Ruffle Pillow

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Sew a simple, yet elegant, pillow using 2"-wide premade ruffles from Michael Miller Fabrics ([michaelmillerfabrics.com](http://michaelmillerfabrics.com)).

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**Materials**

- 1 yard white tone-on-tone (pillow front and back)
- 5 yards 2"-wide ruffle trim: solid white
- 21"-long 1½"-wide grosgrain ribbon: gray polka dot
- 20"-square pillow form
- Water-soluble marking pen

Finished pillow: 20" square

**Quantities** are for 44/45"-wide, 100% cotton fabrics.

**Measurements** include ½" seam allowances unless otherwise stated. Sew with right sides together unless otherwise stated.

**Cut Fabrics**

Cut pieces in the following order.

**From white tone-on-tone, cut:**

- 1—21" square
- 2—13×21" rectangles

**From solid white ruffle trim, cut:**

- 8—21"-long strips

**Assemble Pillow Top**

- 1.** Using water-soluble marking pen, draw a line 2" from right-hand edge of white tone-on-tone 21" square (**Diagram 1**). Working to the left of the first line, draw seven more parallel lines, each ⅝" apart.
- 2.** Referring to **Diagram 2**, align raw edge of one solid white ruffle strip with first line, matching short edges of strip with outer edges of square. Zigzag-stitch strip in place ⅜" from gathered edge.
- 3.** Repeat Step 2 to add one solid white ruffle strip to each drawn line.

- 4.** Pin 21"-long gray polka dot grosgrain ribbon atop zigzag stitches on last ruffle added, covering raw edge (**Diagram 3**). Edgestitch ribbon to make pillow top.

**Finish Pillow**

- 1.** Fold a long edge of a white tone-on-tone 13×21" rectangle under ¼". Turn under ¼" again; press. Sew through all layers close to first folded edge to make a backing rectangle. Repeat with remaining white tone-on-tone 13×21" rectangle.
- 2.** Overlap hemmed edges of backing rectangles by about 4" to make a 21" square (**Diagram 4**). Baste across overlapped edges to make a pillow back.
- 3.** With right sides together, layer pillow top and pillow back, making certain short edges of ruffle strips are within seam lines. Fold back and pin right-most ruffle so its long right-hand edge is *not* caught in the seam; baste. Using ½" seams, sew around outer edges to make pillow cover. Turn pillow cover right side out through opening in back. Insert pillow form through opening to complete pillow.

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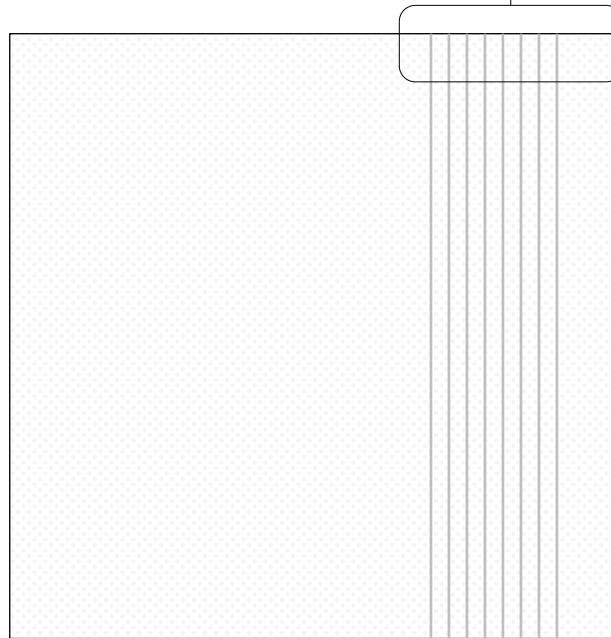
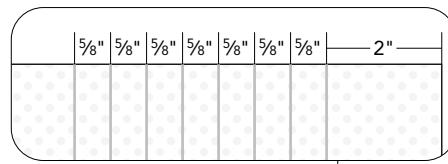


DIAGRAM 1

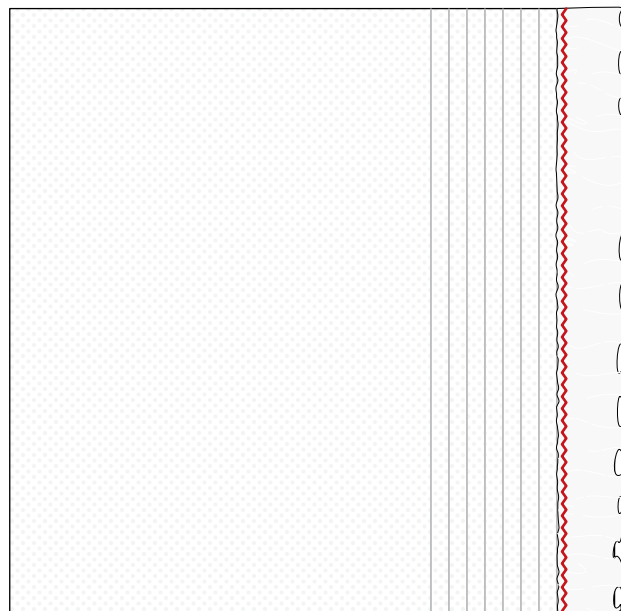


DIAGRAM 2

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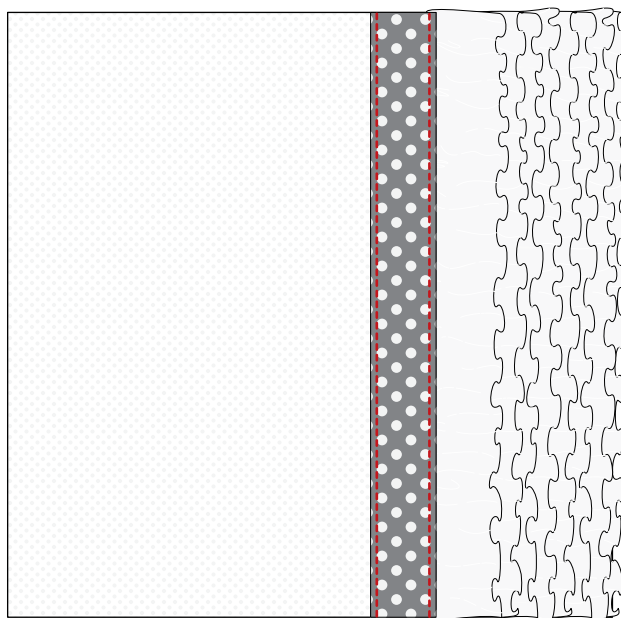


DIAGRAM 3

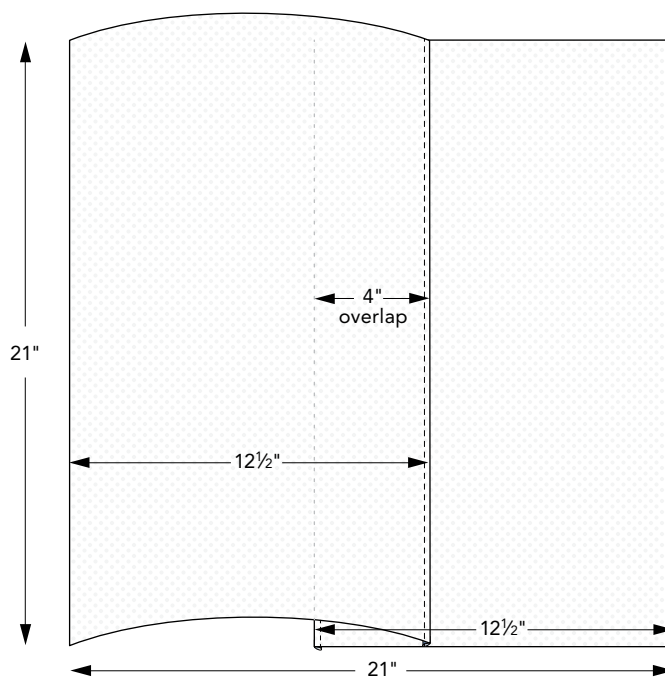


DIAGRAM 4