

## Installing a Concealed Zipper:

To prepare your backing for a zipper you will need to divide the back into separate pieces. Cut the back in a 40/60 ratio. If your back measures 18" long, make your cut straight across at 11" leaving the 2nd piece at 7". Figure 10

Take the 11" section and lay it right side up. Align the zipper, face down, across the width of the back. Sew along the center of zipper tape, keeping the tape even with the edge. Figure 11

Press the back away from the zipper, exposing the teeth and top stitch along the fold of the fabric.

Take the second piece and place the zipper tape along the cut edge, sewing down the center of the tape. Figure 12

On the front measure 1.25" from the zipper edge and mark across the fabric. Measure 1.5" from the first line and mark across the fabric. Fold on the first line and press. Topstitch across the marked line to secure the fold. Figure 13

Now that the two pieces are joined by the zipper, tack at the edges where the zipper meets. Trim piece to the same size as your front. Layer your front and back, wrong sides together, aligning all edges, pin to secure. Sew around all edges from the right side. Prepare and attach binding with your preferred method. And then you are done!

Helpful trick for pillow shaping: [Tapered Pillow Corners](#)

Video Tutorial: [Concealed Zipper Pillow Back](#)

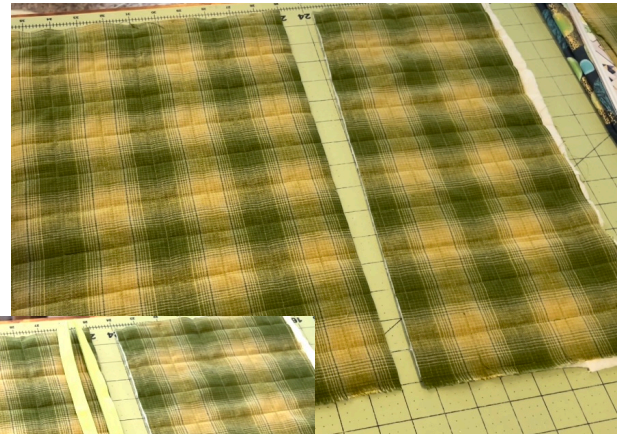


Figure 10

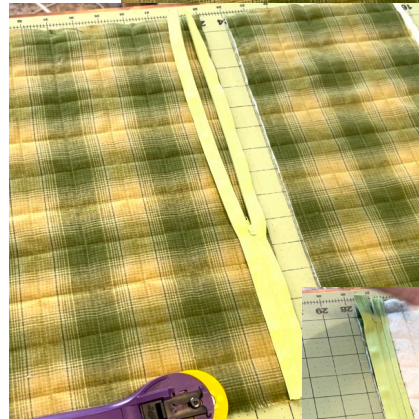


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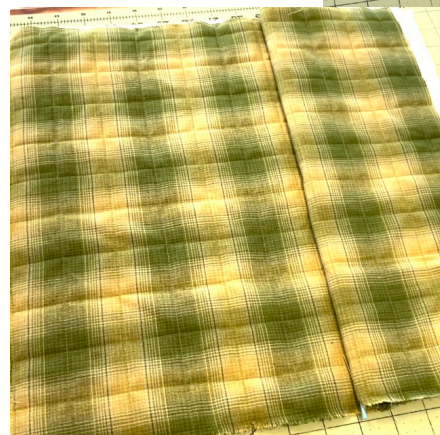


Figure 13