

Jenny's Bird Cushion

A quick and easy project or the perfect start for those new to sewing



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Read instructions carefully before starting project. 100% cotton fabrics are recommended.
See the end of these instructions for free ScanNCut FCM file for bird Appliqué .

Materials:

- 16"x 13" (40.5 x 33cm) for cushion front
- 18" (45cm) of backing fabric
- Small amount fabric scraps for Appliqué
- 16"x 13" (40.5 x 33cm) light or medium weight iron on Pellon
- A coloured thread that will compliment your backing fabric
- Black thread for Appliqué
- 12" (30cm) fusible web
- 16" (41cm) cushion insert
- Small black button for eye

Tools required:

- Brother Sewing Machine, instruction book and accessories, scissors, pins, iron, and ruler or measuring tape.

Optional:

- Brother ScanNCut machine
- Rotary cutter, ruler and cutting mat make cutting the fabric easier however are not essential

Cutting instructions:

- A. Cut cushion front fabric 16"x 13" (40.5 x 33cm)
- B. Cut Pellon 16"x 13" (40.5 x 33cm)
- C. From backing fabric cut two 2 x 16" x 21" (40.5 x 53cm)

Appliqué:

1. Place Pellon, adhesive side up, on the ironing board. Lay the cushion top over Pellon, cushion top right side up. Iron to activate the adhesive (do not put iron directly onto Pellon as it will melt).

2. If using the Brother ScanNCut use manufacturer's instructions to cut your appliqué. Download design with this pattern.

Miss next steps and go to step 8.

3. If you don't have a ScanNCut trace appliqué templates onto the paper side of fusible web.

4. Roughly cut out leaving a small margin around each shape.

5. Iron shapes to the back of fabric scraps using manufacturer's instructions.

6. Carefully cut out along lines. Peel backing from appliqué pieces.

7. Finger crease centre of cushion front, lay out appliqué, until you are happy with placement while still leaving room for the leaves.

8. Appliqué pieces in this raw edge design do not overlap.

9. Iron appliqué to the front cushion.

10.



Using triple stitch, stitch around shapes.

11. Transfer leaf design to cushion front with a light box or free hand with a wipe off pen.

12.



Set machine for triple stitch needle position centre. Carefully stitch outline.

13. Now it's time to stitch the button in place for the eye. First insert button into the buttonhole foot, holes visible. Adjust stitch width so the needle doesn't hit the button. Feed dogs down and stitch.

Construction:

1. Fold wrong sides together one of the cushion back pieces now 10½" x 16" (26.5 x 40.5cm) repeat for the second.

2. Form the cushion back by overlapping the two rectangles, folds to the centre.



3. Place cushion top right side up; lay the cushion back right side down, raw edges even. Pin together raw edges.

4. 0.4" (1cm) seam sew around cushion. Change to a zig zag or over lock stitch and secure edges.

5. Fold in corners. Turn right side out through back opening.

6. Press.

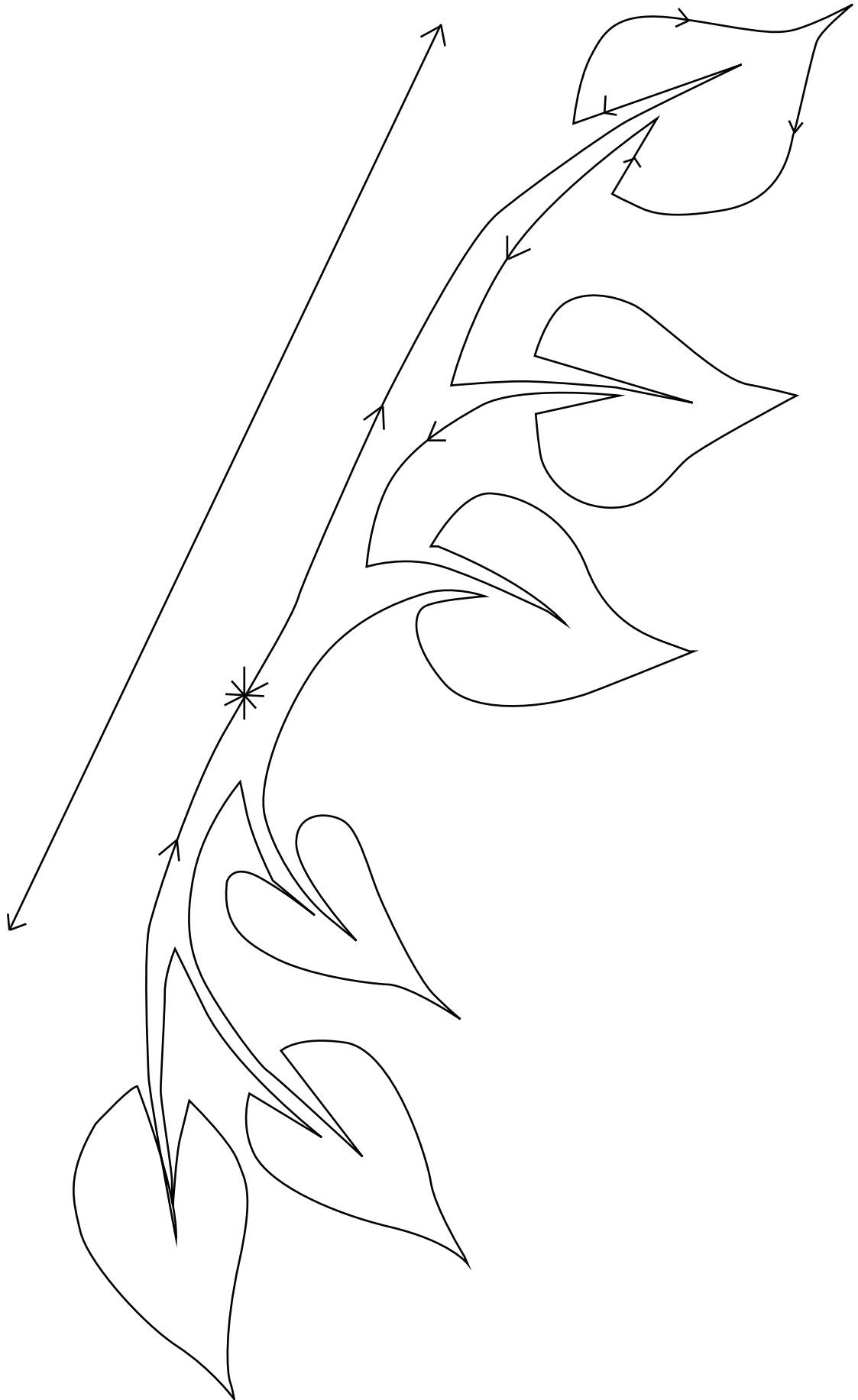
7. Insert cushion, the square cushion insert will easily fix the rectangle cushion cover making a nice plump cushion.

Congratulations your Jenny Bird Cushion is now finished.



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Branches and leaves



Bird Shapes

