

# 3D Leaf Pillow



Use your crafting machine to cut an assortment of leaves from wool felt. Use your sewing machine to first sew stitches for the stems. Then arrange the leaves as desired and stitch over them to create the “veins”, while at the same time attaching them to the pillow front. The finished size of the pillow shown is 16” x 16” (40cm x 40cm).

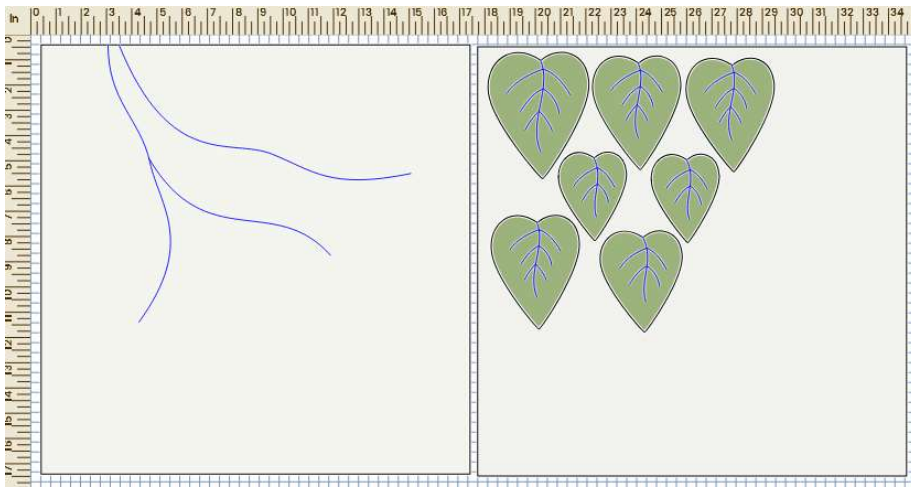
## What you need

- Pillow Form 16” x 16” (40cm x 40cm)
- 2/3 yard (0.6m) Linen Fabric
- 2/3 yard (0.6m) Lightweight Fusible Interfacing
- 10” x 20” Wool Felt (for leaves)
- Lightweight Tear-Away Stabilizer (optional)
- 9” Zipper
- Fabric Grip Mat 24” x 24”
- Brayer
- Rotary Blade
- Heat Removable Fabric Pen
- Sewing Machine

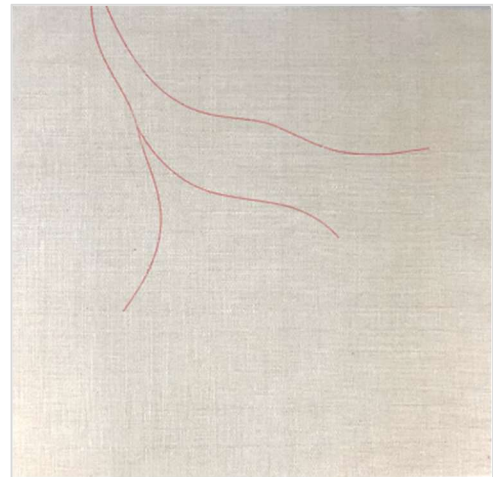
- Darning/Embroidery Foot (for free-motion stitching)
- Open Toe Foot or Satin Stitch Foot
- Thread (to match pillow fabric)
- Decorative Thread (to stitch stems & leaves)

## Directions

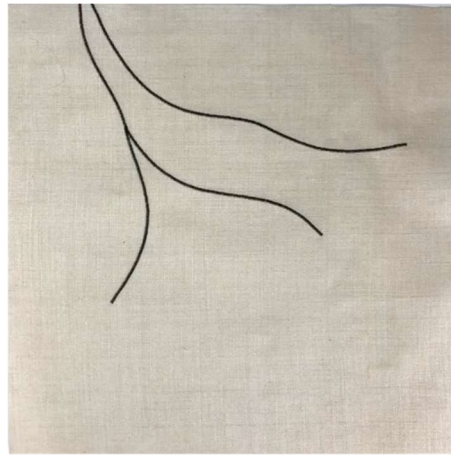
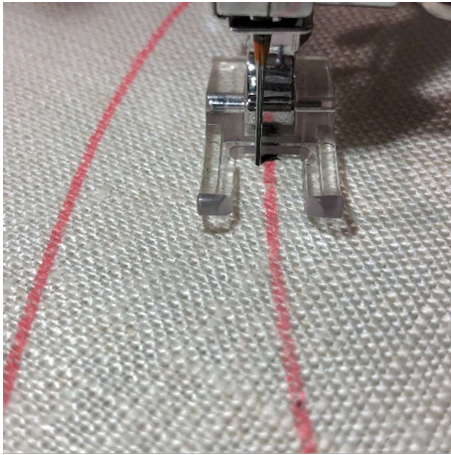
1. Apply fusible interfacing to the wrong side of the fabric for the pillow front and pillow back, following fusible interfacing manufacturer's recommendations for application.



2. Open the project in Canvas. Adjust the size of the pillow front and pillow back for the pillow form you want to cover. Place the pillow front fabric onto the Fabric Grip Mat. Use a Brayer to smooth out any wrinkles or bubbles.
3. Go to the Output Menu and press Send to Machine. Follow the steps to cut the pillow front fabric on your crafting machine. If desired, your crafting machine will draw stitching guidelines on the pillow front, making it easier to stitch the "stems". After the stem guidelines have been drawn with the Heat Removable Pen, the machine will then cut the pillow fabric.



4. Remove the pillow front fabric from the mat and place the pillow back fabric on it. Use a Brayer to smooth out any bubbles or wrinkles. Cut one pillow back with no stitch guidelines.
5. After removing the pillow front and back fabrics from the Fabric Grip Mat, place the wool felt onto the mat. Use a Brayer to help adhere the wool to the mat and eliminate any wrinkles or bubbles. If desired, place the Heat Removable Fabric Pen into your crafting machine and allow the machine to draw stitching guidelines for the “veins” onto the leaves. Following this, the machine will cut the leaves from the wool.
6. Thread the sewing machine with the thread color you want to use for the “stems”. Set the machine for a zig zag stitch, with a stitch width setting of 3.0mm and a short stitch length. Test your stitch on a scrap fabric to adjust the stitch according to the thread you are using and the look you want for your stems. If desired, place a lightweight tear-away stabilizer under the fabric for added support. Follow the stitching guidelines on the pillow front to sew the stems.



7. Arrange the wool felt leaves over the stems that you stitched on the pillow front. There is no ‘right or wrong’ way to do this! Arrange the over the stems as desired. Pin the leaves in place.



8. Attach the Darning/Embroidery Foot to the sewing machine, then disengage the machine's feed teeth. (Consult your machine's instruction manual for how to disengage feed teeth for your specific machine model).
9. Thread the top of the machine and bobbin with the thread that you want to use for free-motion stitching. Set the machine for straight stitch. Begin free-motion stitching to create the "veins" of the leaves. This stitching will embellish the leaves and attach them to the pillow.



10. Place the pillow front and pillow back together. For now, just pin along the bottom of the pillow. Sew the zipper along the bottom seam with the zipper insertion method of your choosing.
11. Open the zipper halfway, then pin the pillow front and back together on the remaining sides. Stitch around all sides of the pillow. Turn the pillow right side out and insert the pillow form to finish.

