

Candy Heart Pillows



Valentine’s Day is a time for roses, crowded restaurants, and cheesy love songs. But while this holiday is one that caters to the love struck, there is one part of Valentine’s Day that we can all enjoy – candy! Make these cute candy-inspired pillows to decorate your space, or share with someone you love. Supplies listed are for making one pillow, so adjust quantities needed depending on the number of pillows you want to make. The finished size of one pillow is approximately 12” x 11” (30.5cm x 28cm).

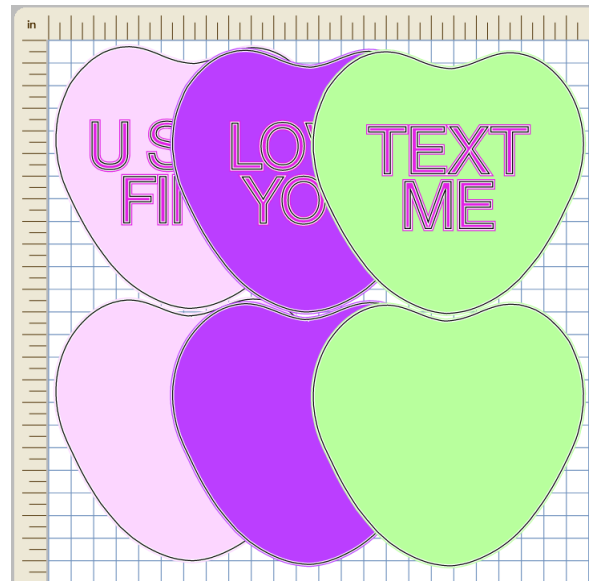
What you need

- One Yard (.92 meters) Cotton Flannel (for heart front, back and side gusset)
- One Yard (.92 meters) Lightweight Fusible Interfacing (for heart front, back and side gusset fabrics)
- Heat Transfer Vinyl (Purple, for lettering)
- Polyester Stuffing
- 24” x 24” Fabric Grip Mat
- 12” x 24” Standard Grip Mat
- Rotary Blade
- Basic Blade

- Weeding Tool
- Brayer
- Heat Press
- Sewing Machine
- Thread to match pillow fabric
- Hand Sewing Needle
- Scissors
- Parchment Paper

Directions

1. Open the project in Canvas. Place the fabric onto the Fabric Grip Mat and cut the Heart front and Heart back. Carefully remove the Heart front and back from the mat.



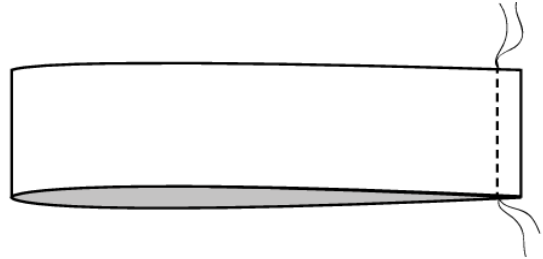
2. Manually cut the pillow gusset 5" x 36" (13cm x 92cm). This will be sewn between the Heart front and back after the text embellishment has been applied.
3. Using the heart pieces as a guide, cut the lightweight fusible interfacing for both the front and back. Cut an interfacing for the gusset as well. Apply the fusible interfacing to the wrong sides of all fabrics, following interfacing manufacturer recommendations for application.

Note: When using more than one material, check all settings and customize inputs for your mat size, material type, material size, and arrangement of pieces before selecting next to begin cutting each layer.

4. Select the words you would like to place on your pillow or cut all three; if you are making one pillow you can hide (eye icon in the layer panel) the other sayings while

cutting. Place the Heat Transfer Vinyl onto the Standard Mat, making sure to Flip the text for Reverse Cutting before cutting out. Use the selection Rearrange to reduce waste to ensure the text fits the material.

5. Apply the vinyl letters to the right side of the heart front piece using your Heat Press. Remove the transfer paper. Set aside for now.
6. Fold the gusset in half and align the short edges, right sides together. Stitch, using a $\frac{1}{2}$ " (12mm) seam allowance. Press the seam open.



7. Pin the gusset to the heart front, right sides together, aligning the gusset seam with the bottom notch on the heart. Pin around the entire edge.

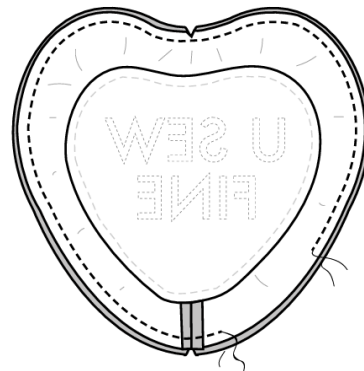


8. Stitch the gusset to the heart all the way around, using a $\frac{3}{8}$ " (10mm) seam allowance.



9. Clip the curves, taking care not to cut stitches as you go.

10. Repeat the process to attach the heart back to the other side of the gusset, but this time leave a 4" - 5" (10cm - 13cm) opening on one side bottom edge.



11. Turn the heart right side out through the opening. Stuff with polyester fiberfill stuffing, then hand stitch the opening closed.

