Tweet Dreams Pillow Pal:

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Supplies needed to make the Tweet Dreams Pillow Pal:

- One yard of fabric for the pillow cover
- ·Assorted Scraps of fabric for the body of the bird, the wing, tail, beak and feet
- One 18" x 18" pillow form (I used Fairfield pillow inserts)
- One button for the eye
- ·Ribbon to tie the scroll
- ·Sewing machine and thread
- *NOTE: If you do not have a sewing machine and you are not familiar with hand sewing, you can use felt and glue (Fabri-tac) and an existing pillow sham. Just follow the instructions and glue along the stitching lines.

Step One: (cutting your pattern pieces)

Print out these instructions with the pattern below- Make sure that your printer is set to "No Scaling".

Cut out the Tweet Bird paper pattern pieces and trace them onto your assorted fabric pieces.

Cut out your fabric pattern pieces along your traced lines- you should have one Tweet Bird Base, one Beak, one Wing Pocket, one Tail, and two Bird Feet.

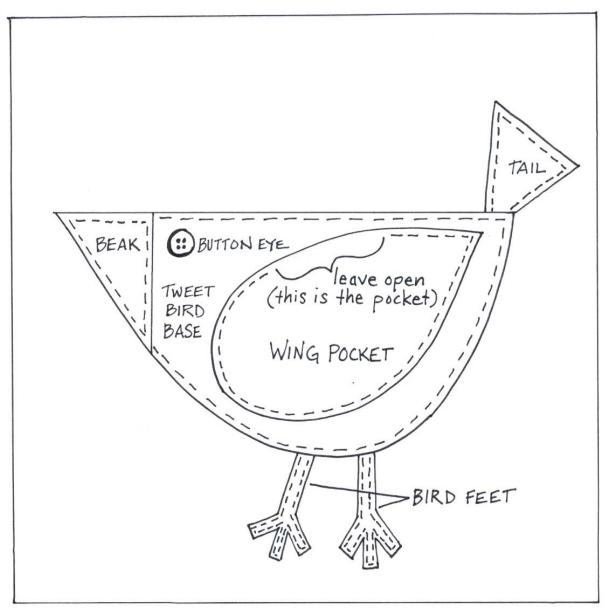
Step Two: (cutting your pillow squares)

Cut out three 18" x 18" squares from your one yard fabric piece. Set two squares aside.

Step Three: (placing and securing your Tweet Bird pieces)

Using the Placement Guide, place all of your fabric pattern pieces face-up on the right side of an 18" \times 18" square. Pin into place and then stitch into place following the Stitching Guide (dashed lines). Stitch about an 1/8" or 1/4" in from the edge. You will need to back tack at the beginning and end of each stitching line.

*NOTE: You will use a ½" seam allowance when creating the pillow cover, so make sure that your Tweet Bird isn't too close to the edge of the square!



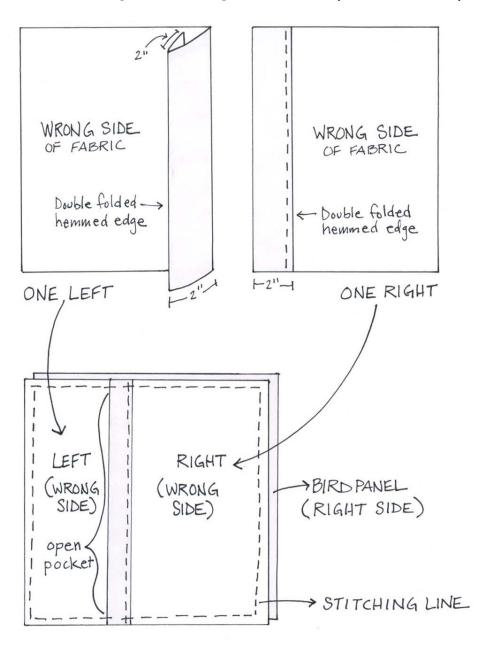
18" × 18" BASE → PLACEMENT & STITCHING GUIDE

Step Four: (Your Tweet Bird's eye)

Using the Placement Guide above, hand stitch your button eye into place.

Step Five: (creating the pillow cover with a pocket opening in back)

Following the diagram below, hem one side of each 18" x 18" square that you set aside in Step two. You should have one left and one right. I made a large, 2" double hem (folded once 2" and pressed and then again 2" pressed).



Step six: (sewing your pillow cover)

Place the left and right sides created in Step Five face down on the right side of your Tweet Bird panel. See the diagram above. Pin into place on all four sides and stitch around the perimeter using a 1/2" seam allowance. Turn the pillow cover right-side out through the pocket opening- and, voilà, you're finished! Now, you just need to insert the pillow form, write a note, roll it up and tuck it under your bird's wing.

Paper pattern pieces are on the following two pages. Follow cutting instructions on pattern pieces.

