

Pinwheel Pincushions

(Makes six pincushions)

Fabric Requirements

Small Print Fat Quarter
(Pinwheel top)

Coordinating Fat Quarter
(Side, base, & pinwheel top)

Notions

12 – ½”-⅝” buttons
Embroidery floss
Polyester batting or stuffing
60° triangle ruler
Straight Doll or Upholstery Hand Needle

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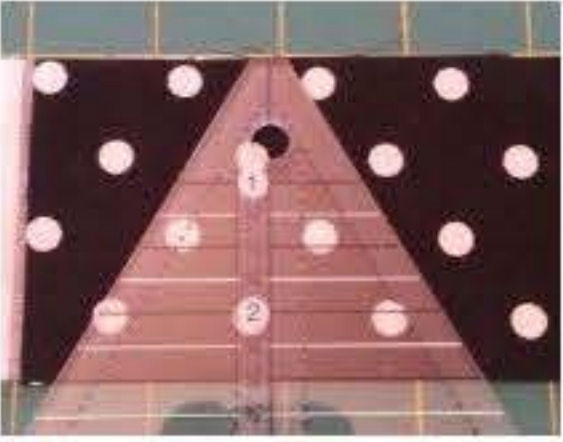


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Cutting Instructions for six Pinwheel Pincushions:

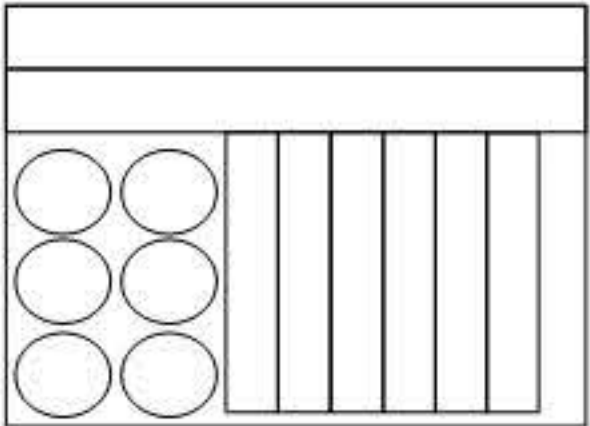
Small Print

Cut (2) – 2½” x 22” strips from long side of fat quarter, sub-cut into (18) wedges using a 60° ruler by aligning the top of the strip ⅛” down from top point of triangle (**NOTE:** If your ruler does not have a top point, align the top flat edge of the ruler with the top of the strip)



Coordinating Fabric

Cut the following according to the diagram shown.
Cut (2) – 2½” x 22” strips from the long side of the fat quarter, sub-cut into (18) wedges as above
Cut (6) – circles using template A
Cut (6) - 2” x 11” strips



Sewing Instructions for Pinwheel Pincushions:

Use ¼” seam allowance unless otherwise noted.

Sew a small print wedge to a coordinating wedge. Make 12. Press seams toward the coordinating wedge.



Sew one additional wedge to the units so that the fabrics alternate as shown. Press seams in same direction as first seam. Make 6 of **each** combination.



Match one of each unit together and sew across the straight edge to form the pinwheel. Make 6. Press seams open.



Trace template onto freezer paper and cut out. Fold in half twice to find center and center on pinwheel. Iron paper circle to fabric and cut out. Make 6.



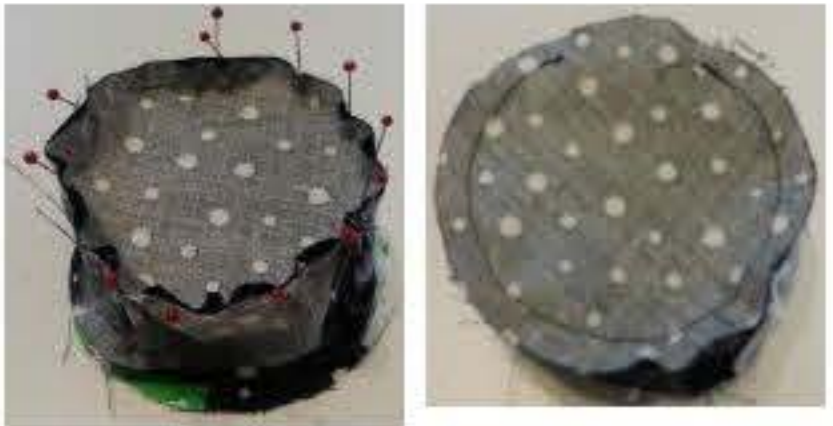
Fold 2” x 11” strips in half, right sides together, press. Sew the short end to form a ring, back-stitching to secure ends. Make 6. Press open.



With wrong sides out, match the fold crease of the ring with one of seams on the pinwheel, pin right sides together. Match the seam of the ring with the opposite side of the pinwheel and pin. Pin the ring all the way around the pinwheel. Sew together, backstitching to secure seams. Make 6.



Fold the coordinating circles in half and crease sides. Match the fold crease of the circle with the fold crease on the ring, pin right sides together. Match the seam of the ring with the opposite fold crease on the circle and pin. Align the edges of the ring with the circle. Sew together **leaving a 1½” opening** to turn right side out. Make 6.



Turn pincushions right side out. Use a stylus or stiletto to help turn edges.



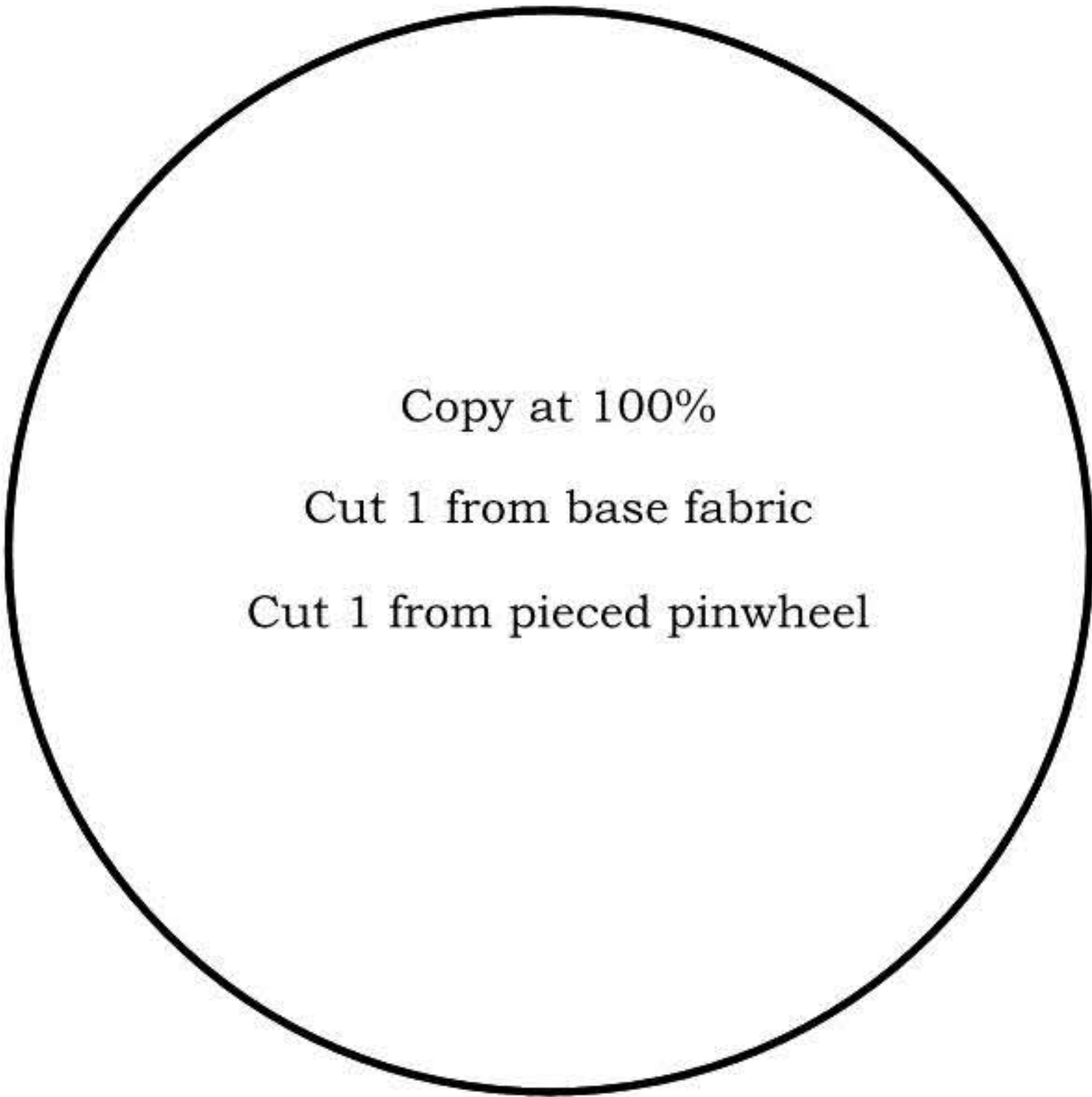
Fill pincushions with polyester batting or stuffing until packed firm. Whipstitch the openings with a hand needle and matching thread.



Using embroidery thread, thread a button to the top and bottom of the pincushion. Pull thread taut to form an indentation in the pincushion and tie ends in a knot to secure and trim ends. Enjoy!



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