# **Amy's Shamrock Pillow**

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Makes a 18 ½" block - perfect for a 18" pillow form

#### **Materials Needed**

- 32 green 2 ½" squares
- 44 white 2 ½" squares
- (2) 2 1/2" strips green for border
- ½ yard for back
- 18" pillow form



### **Piecing Instructions -**

For ONE Shamrock Block -

You will need to make (12) 2 ½" half square triangles. Use your preferred method or the method shown here:



Draw a line diagonally on the back side of the light squares. Layer one med/dark square and one light square, faces together.



Stitch ON the line. Cut 1/4" away from drawn line.



Press open, towards the green. Make 12 HST's. Trim to 2 ½" if necessary

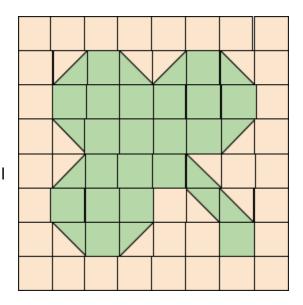
## **Making the Pillow Front -**

Piece squares and HST's together following the diagram.

Sew border strips around shamrock patchwork.

Press. If you want to quilt your patchwork, you will do it now. Gather a piece of batting and backing which are slightly larger than the pillow front.

Baste together. Quilt as desired.



### Making the Pillow Back -

Cut two pieces of fabric which measure 18 1/2" x 12".

On each piece of fabric, on ONE of the 18  $\frac{1}{2}$ " sides, turn under  $\frac{1}{4}$ " and press. Turn under  $\frac{1}{4}$ " AGAIN and press. Stitch in place.

Pin the back pieces to the pillow front, right sides together and raw edges even. The top stitched sides should be toward the center of the pillow, and they will overlap.

Stitch all around the four outside edges of the pillow and turn right side out.

Insert pillow form!

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