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## Rhododendron Stars Bolster Pillow

Featuring Kaffe Fassett Collective

**Collection:** Kaffe Fassett Collective

**Project  
designed by:** Liza Lucy

**Finished  
Sizes:** 16" long and 19½" in  
circumference.

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## Supplies

- Assorted Kaffe Fassett Collective Fabrics
- (42) 1 ½" paper hexagons
- (1) 1 ½" Acrylic hexagon template with ⅜" seam allowance from [paperpieces.com](http://paperpieces.com)
- (1) Soft Touch 5" x 14" neck roll insert from *Fair Field World*
- (2) large decorative buttons
- Rotary cutter
- Mat and ruler
- Bohin Temporary Glue Stick or sewing thread for basting
- Auriful 100% cotton 80wt/2-ply thread in a neutral light gray color
- Straw (Milliners) needle size 10 or 11 for stitching
- Straw (Milliners) needle size 9 if thread basting

## Cutting

Using the Hexagon acrylic template fussy cut, so that a motif is centered. (You need 42 hexagons in total).

## Basting

**Note:** *You can thread baste or glue baste a piece of fabric to each paper hexagon.*

1. Place the fabric, wrong side against the hexagon paper.
2. To **thread baste**, pin the fabric to the middle of the paper and turn the fabric edges over the paper and baste through the paper and fabric, folding the fabric as you go, securing the fabric to the paper.

To **glue baste**, place the paper hexagon against the wrong side of the fabric and add a slick of glue onto the paper just in from each edge and fold the fabric over onto the glue, one side at a time

## Assembling

### Notes:

- *Follow the diagram for placement (page 3).*
  - *Sew lines of same hexagons for each diagonal set.*
  - *The four sets at the top and bottom are not a full set of nine.*
3. Whipstitch the straight edges together. Line up two hexagons, straight edges matching, right sides together. Take two anchoring stitches and whipstitch to the next corner. **Do not** sew through the paper. Secure the stitch at the corner. Press and starch.

4. Sew the rows together following the diagram. Press and starch the assembled piece paying special attention to the edge hexagons that are not sewn all the way around. Remove the papers. Press and starch the unsewn edges again, very flat so they hold their shape.
5. With right sides together whip stitch the hexagons on the short ends together. [Turn the hexagon tube right side out.]

## Finishing

6. There are a couple of approaches to take to cover the ends of the neck roll form before sliding the hexagon tube on.
7. One way is to cut two large circles using a dinner plate as template from the finishing fabric. Place circles on the end of the pillow, smooth into place, and sew the raw edges to the pillow form.
8. Another way is to cut a rectangle 20" x 21½" from the finishing fabric. Fold the short sides down about ½" and top stitch down. Sew the long sides right sides together and seam ¼" together. Turn right side out. Using a long strong thread, do a basting stitch around both ends.
9. Pull the pillow form through the tube. Cinch up the basting threads on both ends to close up the holes. Stitch through the cinched ends to securely close. Sew a decorative button on both ends to cover the stitching.
10. Carefully pull the hexagon tube over the pillow form and blind stitch the edge hexagons to the lining fabric.

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Placement Diagram

