

Pineapple Pillow By Katy Mitchell

What better way to get ready for summer than a fun pineapple pillow! Learn how to make buttonholes, cording, and do a bit of embroidery!

Skill Level: Confident Beginner Sewing Time: 4-6 hours

Janome Supplies Required:

- Any Janome embroidery machine
- Presser foot A, AcuFeed foot, or standard walking foot, zipper foot
- Red tip needle

Supplies + Fabric Required:

- 16" x 16" fabric square for front. (will trim down to size after appliqué)
- 15" x 20" fabric for back (buttonhole side)
- 15" x 16" fabric for back
- 2 2" x Length of Fabric (LOF) for accent piping
- 2 yards of cording
- 4 1" buttons
- 16" pillow form
- Pineapple Large Double Appliqué AISPD128 from Janome-embroidery.com
- Scraps of green and brown fabric for appliqué.
- · Decorative embroidery thread for appliqué.

Get Started:

1. Bring the Pineapple design into the edit screen of your embroidery machine. Add this statement to the center of the appliqué design:

Be a pineapple. Stand tall wear A crown, and be sweet on the inside.

2. Finding the center of your front fabric, place in the hoop with stabilizer. (I like medium weight tear and wash, but use what you prefer.)

3. Embroider your design. Trim the front to measure 15" x 15". Set aside.

4. Taking both of the back fabrics, fold each in half to measure 15" x 10" and

15" x 8". Press.

5. Along the folded side of the 15" x 10" fabric you need to place marks for the buttonholes. Place these marks $\frac{1}{2}$ " from folded edge, and every 3" from the raw edge to make 4 marks total.

6. Select the buttonhole stitch of your choice, attach the buttonhole foot, and stitch out your buttonholes.

7. Cut open the buttonholes, being careful not to slice through the stitching on each end.



Making The Pillow

8. Place the 15" x 10" buttonhole side on top of the 15" x 8" and adjust to measure 15" x 15". Mark each buttonhole center for the button placement. Sew on the buttons and button up the back of the pillow. Set aside.

9. To make the piping, sew the 2" x LOF strips together and fold in half lengthwise.

10. Using the zipper foot and moving your needle to the far left, place the cording into the fold of the piping fabric and sew down the length, encasing the cording into the folded fabric. 11. Change your stitch length to a basting stitch (5mm) and sew the piping along the entire edge of the front side of your pillow.

12. Change back to normal sew length.

13. Place the back onto the front, with right sides facing each other.

14. Sew around the entire edge of the pillow, going through all lavers.

15. Unbutton back of pillow and turn inside out.

16. Place the pillow form inside, button back up and enjoy.

