

# Thanks-Giving Pillows

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*Nothing changes the décor of a room faster than changing the pillows. Embroidering the fronts and backs of these pillows make them reversible as well as timely for the season.*

## Supplies Needed:

- Janome Memory Craft 500E
- Embroidery Foot P
- Hoop SQ20b
- Any Janome sewing machine
- Piping Foot
- Zipper Foot E
- Black Janome prewound bobbin
- Blue tip needle

Optional: Elna Press



## Fabric and Notions Required:

- 1 yard of cotton batik in Fall colors
- Terial Magic liquid stabilizer
- Assorted colors of embroidery thread
- Two packages of bias tape to coordinate with the batik
- Two 18" zippers
- Two 14" square pillow forms
- All purpose thread to coordinate with the batik

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## Instructions:

### Cutting and Fabric Preparation

1. Cut four 14 1/2" squares of batik.
2. Saturate the squares with Terial Magic.
3. Hang to dry for approximately 20 minutes.
4. Iron or press to dry.



### Embroidery:

#### Front of Pillow

1. Go to Edit mode, select the SQ20b hoop.
2. Open Flourish Alphabet collection and select "T".
3. Rotate the letter 90 degrees clockwise. Move the letter to the top of the hoop.
4. Go to monogram mode, set the orientation to vertical and letter size M.
5. Spell "hanks" and click OK.
6. Once the word is in the desired position in the hoop, touch OK.
7. Place the stabilized fabric in the center of the hoop and embroider.
8. Repeat these steps for the second pillow front spelling the word "Giving".



#### Back of Pillow

1. In Edit mode, clear all designs from the SQ20b hoop.
2. Open Flourish design 31 
3. Rotate the design 90 degrees clockwise.
4. Move the design to the upper left hand corner.
5. Touch Auto Corner 
6. In Open Lettering, select Script.
7. Enter your message of "thanks", arranging the words to fit the space.
8. Embroider the back of one pillow.
9. Repeat the steps with a message of "giving" for the second pillow.



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## *Suggested Messages:*

- *Start each day with a thankful heart.*
- *True Happiness is giving it away.*
- *“Nothing is more honorable than a grateful heart.” - Seneca*
- *“It’s not how much we give, but how much love we put into giving.” - Mother Teresa*
- *Give thanks with a grateful heart.*

## Final Construction:

1. Sew the piping to the fronts.
2. Sew the zipper to the bottom edge of one pillow front and pillow back. The zipper will extend beyond ends.
3. Open the zipper half way, sew the remaining three sides of the pillow and cut the excess zipper away.
4. Turn right side out, press and insert the pillow form.
5. Repeat for the second pillow.