

Retro Stool Cushion

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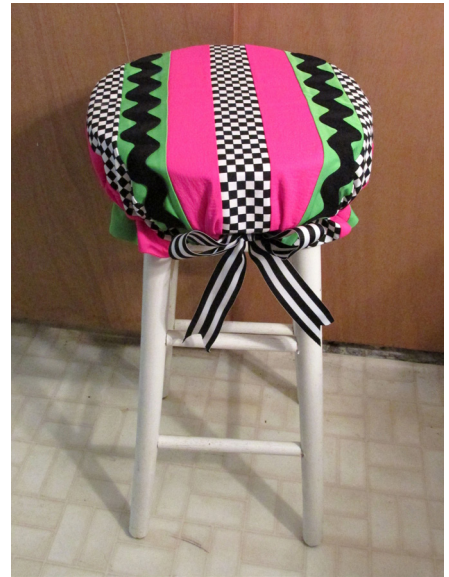
"I plan to use my nicely cushioned stool at the fair while demonstrating different sewing features of the Horizon Memory Craft 12000."

Supplies Needed:

- Horizon Memory Craft 12000
- Quilting Guide

Fabric and Notions:

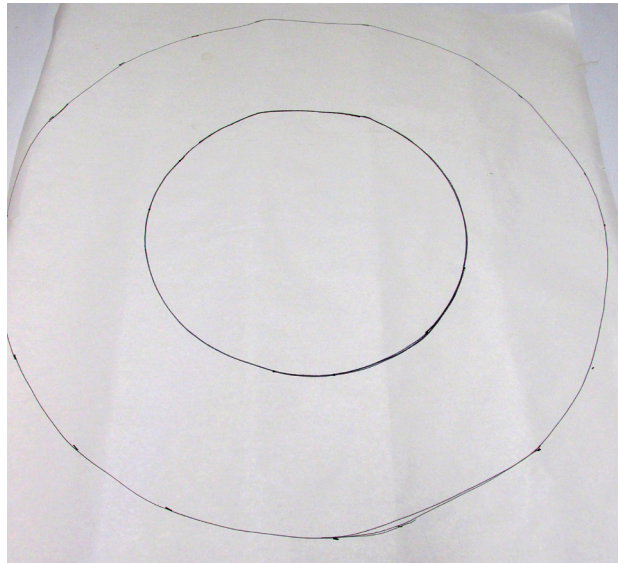
- 1/2 yard of three different colors
- 1 1/2 yards of fusible interfacing
- 1 1/2 yards of jumbo rick rack or trim
- 3/4 yards of lining fabric
- 2 yards of 1 1/2" wide ribbon
- 2 small 1" snap-in grommets
- Foam big enough to cover the stool; approximately 2" deep



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Step-by-Step Instructions:

1. Trace the top of the stool on foam. Cut out the circle with a very sharp knife or utility knife. (Serrated edges do not work.)

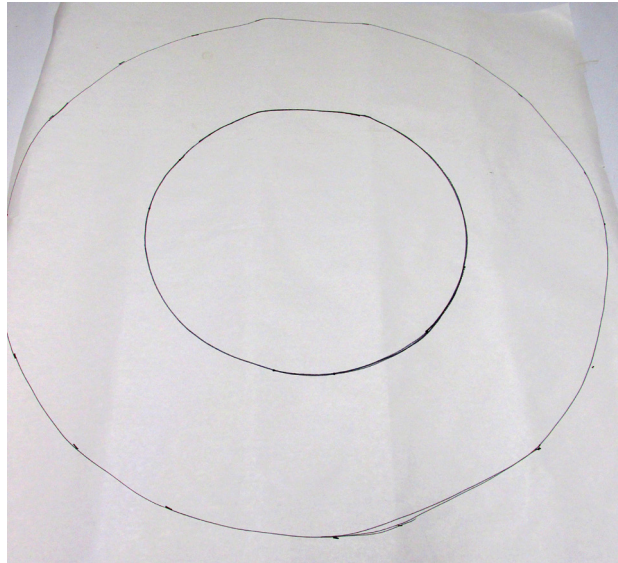


2. Cut or rip 4 strips each of 3 different colors, 3" wide. Fuse interfacing to the wrong side of the strips.



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3. Make a paper pattern guide by tracing the stool top. Mark another circle depth of foam and then add 4 more inches for casing and petite ruffle. (You may have to tape the freezer paper together or use newspaper to get the paper big enough.)

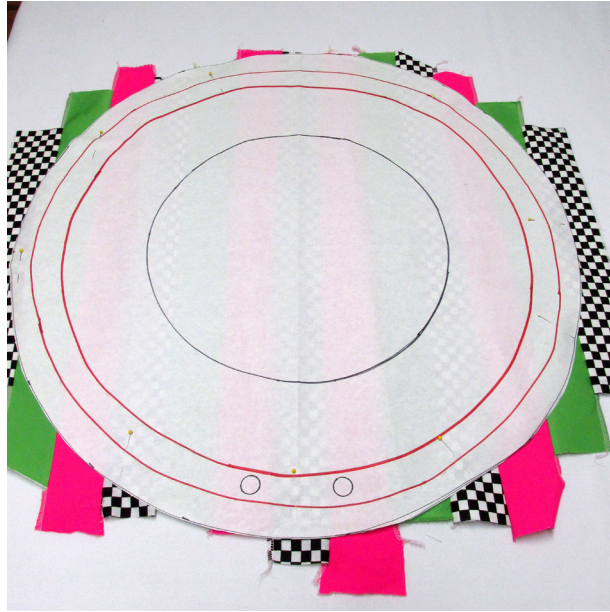


4. Stitch alternating colors together as shown as and press the seams away from the center. Stitch the jumbo rick rack down the middle of the green strips. Luveta used Stitch #13 in the quilt mode with a 3mm width and length. This stitch was great to go around the large points of the rick rack.

***Note:** Luveta fused the points with a bit of fusible web to avoid shifting.

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5. Using the pattern guide, cut off the excess strips to form a circle.

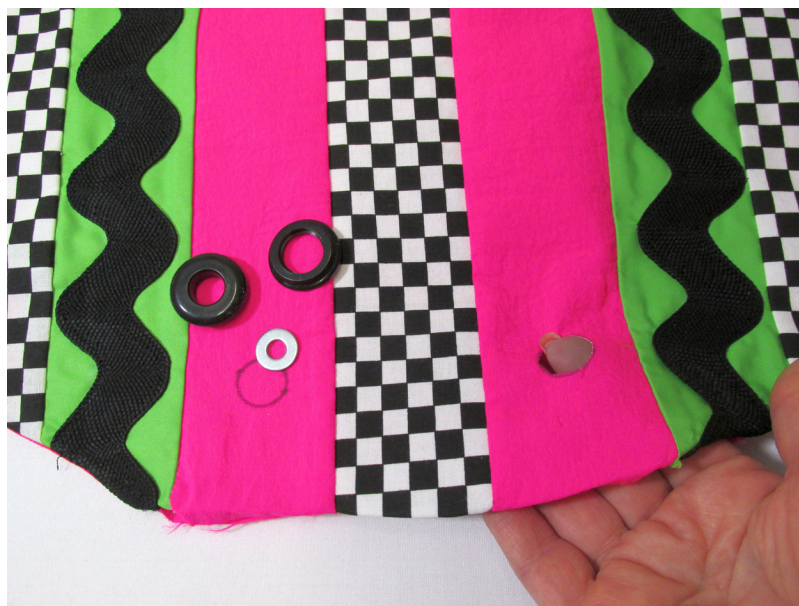


6. Cut 1 lining the same as the pieced circle. Stitch the right sides together, leaving a 6" or 8" opening to turn and install the grommets. Turn and press.



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7. Mark the placement for the grommet approximately 3" apart and 1 1/2" from the raw edge. Cut out a hole for the grommet through **ONE** layer only. (Be careful **NOT** to cut through the lining.)



8. Insert the grommet post from the right side and snap on the grommet back, being careful to line up the proper rims.



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9. Stitch the stool top and lining together to form the casing for the ribbon. To make rows even, Luveta used the quilting guide and moved the position of the needle closest to the grommet.



Designers Note: If grommets aren't available, a buttonhole can be made for this step.

10. Hand stitch the opening and thread the ribbon through the grommet. Evenly distribute the fabric around the stool top while pulling the ribbon tight. Tie a pretty bow and sit in style.