

Please keep sleeping. . .

Tooth Fairy Pillow



Pick up the tooth and leave the cash WITHOUT WAKING THE KID!

How I wish I had had this pillow when my daughter Jo was still losing teeth. Practical AND super cute. :-)

Happy sewing!

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Throughout the pattern, the [purple text](#) links to supply sources or online video tutorials demonstrating the techniques used.

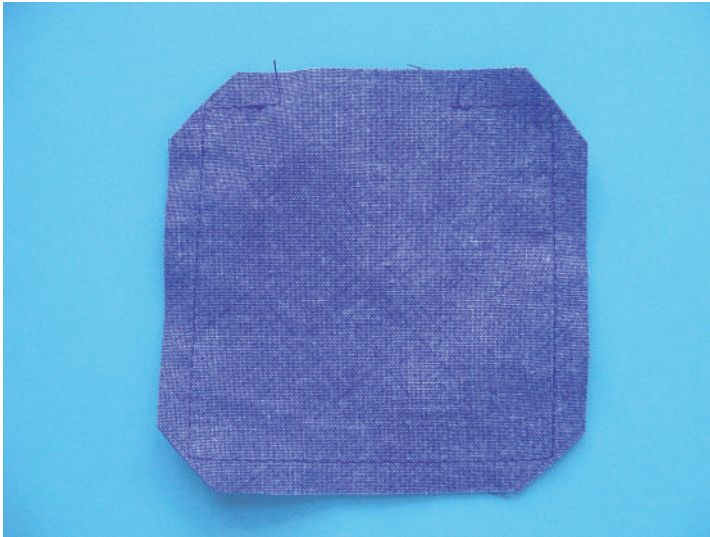
Use 1/4" seam allowances for all sewing.

Materials you'll need:

- 1/2 yd. fabric (I used the adorable [Tips for a Healthy Smile](#))
- scrap of contrast fabric for the pocket (I used [Hatch in Grape](#))
- scrap of [white felt](#)
- black or dark brown embroidery thread (I used DMC #3371)
- 14 inch piece of 5/8" ribbon (optional)
- polyester fiberfill (I love [Fairfield brand Soft Touch Poly-fil Supreme](#))

Step 1

Cut two 11" squares of the main fabric and two 3" squares of the pocket fabric.



Step 2

Layer the two pocket squares right sides together and sew almost all the way around using 1/4" seam allowance.

Leave a 1-2 inch opening in the middle of one side for turning.

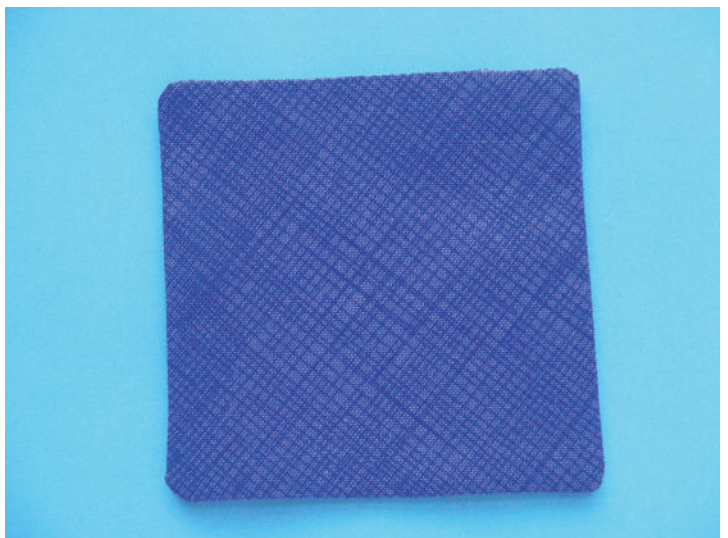
Trim the excess fabric off each corner, right up close to the stitching line.

If you're brand new to sewing, [learn how to sew straight lines and turn corners in this video](#).

Step 3

[Turn the pocket right side out](#). Use a rounded stick to poke the corners out nicely.

Press the opening flat. No need to sew it closed, just make sure it becomes the bottom of the pocket so it'll get closed up when you sew the pocket in place.





Step 4

Using the template on the last page, cut the tooth out of felt and mark the position of the eyes and mouth.

I like to trace the pattern onto freezer paper and punch holes where the eyes go and at the top corners of the mouth. Iron the paper to the felt, cut through both at the same time, and mark through the holes with a disappearing pen (I used a permanent black pen so you could see it - don't do that at home.) When you peel off the paper the marks will be exactly where you need them. [See more about marking on felt here.](#)

Step 5

Embroider the face using two strands of embroidery thread. I used [this stitch](#) for the eyes and [backstitch](#) for the mouth.



Step 6

Sew the tooth to the pocket. (Make sure the turning opening is at the bottom of the pocket!)

The curves around the roots are pretty tight - [here are some tips for handling them.](#)

Step 7

Sew the pocket to the front of the pillow. Make sure to backstitch well at the top corners of the pocket - there will be some stress from kids and parents digging around in there.

There's no wrong place to put the pocket - anywhere on the pillow will do - just not right up next to an edge.



Pocket detail

This fabric has some handy dandy dotted lines all over it that are perfect for helping you get that pocket straight. See how I lined up the bottom edge of the pocket with the dotted purple line?

If you're really fussy about this and are using a different fabric you can always measure to make things perfect - but I happen to think your eyeballs work perfectly well for something like this. :-)

Step 8

I added the ribbon so this pillow could be hung from a bedpost or doorknob so you'd be even less likely to wake that sleeping kid. If you're using the ribbon too, pin the cut ends to the top edge of the pillow front as shown.





Step 9

Layer the pillow back with the pillow front, right sides together, with the ribbon sandwiched between the layers, and pin.

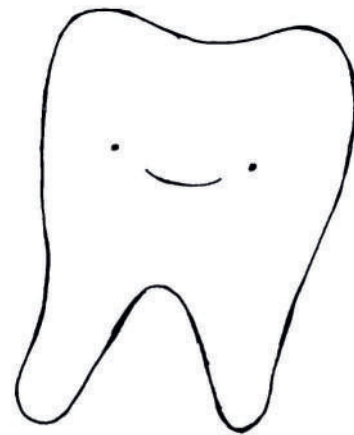
Sew the pillow all around the edges using 1/4" seam allowance and leaving a 4-5" opening at the bottom for turning and stuffing.

Trim the corners like you did in Step 2 and **stuff**. Sew up the opening with **whipstitch** or **ladder stitch**.

Done!

Tooth Template

Here's that tooth pattern! This is the correct size for all the measurements given for this project, but feel free to **enlarge or reduce it** for other projects.



Did you have fun?

I hope so! Please visit [Shiny Happy World](http://ShinyHappyWorld.com) for more patterns, plus lots of free projects and helpful tutorials.

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