About the pattern

The cushion is inspired by barrel cactus. If you like greens you will definitely love this pillow. It's quite simple to make and you will enjoy a fun and unique throw pillow.

This cactus is super easy to take care of and doesn't require any attention, perfect if you like plants but have a black thumb.

It's a nice way to add a touch of nature in your house, you can put it on the couch, use it in a teen's bedroom or a nursery, make several for a playroom, etc... The cactus pillow will also make a perfect gift for a garden lover.

Fabric suggestions

We recommend you to use medium-weight fabric such as cotton. The cactus cushion will look better if you use fabric that can hold the shape. The cushion is made of curves, and you will see that in some steps you will have to work with several thicknesses of fabrics. These are two reasons why it's better to avoid thick fabrics for this project.

To sew the cactus pillow you will need:

> Green cotton fabric (1 yard - 1m)
> Felt to make the flower (the color you like)
> Matching thread
> White embroidery thread
> Cushion Filling

Printing the pattern

The pattern can be print on US letter sized paper.

Open the pattern in Adobe Reader. Before printing the files you will need to verify the scale setting on your printer. The pattern need to be printed as its true scale.
To do so, go into your print settings and look for the "page scaling" box. Then select "actual size", or "none", or "turn off page scaling".

Print only page one of the pattern and check than the large test square measure 1in.x1in. or the smaller 2x2cm
It really needs to be the exact measure, so if it's not right go back and check your print setting again.

Once the scaling is right, print the pattern.

Assembling

Cut along the dotted lines, the pattern comes in 4 sheets. Place the pages following the printing plan and glue or tape the pages together.

The printable also include an envelope where you can keep your pattern and instructions for future use. Cut the front envelope following the lines and fold the 3 flaps on the dotted lines. Cut the envelope back, add some glue on the flaps to assemble both sheets.