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finished size: approximately 8" x 8"

Upcycled Ring Bearer's Pillow

Create a beautiful yet simple Ring Bearer's Pillow using upcycled fabrics from your family heirloom garments or thrift store finds.

materials and tools

- Wedding or eveningwear garments to up-cycle
- Rotary cutter and mat
- 12" x 12" (or larger) square ruler
- 1/3 yard lightweight fusible interfacing
- Matching thread
- Pins
- Fiberfill stuffing
- Hand-sewing needle
- All-purpose foot (BERNINA Reverse Pattern Foot #1)
- 1/4" presser foot (BERNINA Patchwork Foot #37)



step one

- "Harvest" fabric from your garments. I took satin from the ivory gown, satin and chiffon from the blue party dress, and lace from an old blouse.



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step two

- Apply fusible interfacing to the back of the ivory satin to stabilize it, following the manufacturer's instructions.
- Cut two 9" x 9" squares from the interfaced satin.



step three

- Cut a piece of lace and lay it on top of one ivory satin square.



step four

- Pin the lace to the ivory square.
- Trim the lace about 1" larger than the ivory square.
- Stitch the lace to the underlying square using a 1/4" seam allowance.

step five

- Harvest two pieces of fabric (dark teal and light teal shown here) about 11" long and 4" to 5" wide.
- Sew the strips together lengthwise, right sides together.
- Turn right side out.



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step six

- Pin the band to the top of the lace/satin square
- Stitch the short ends to the pillow top using a $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance.



step seven

- Trim the pillow top to a 9" x 9" square.



step eight

- With right sides together, stitch the pillow top to the ivory satin square with a $\frac{1}{2}$ " seam allowance, leaving a 3" to 4" hole along the lower edge.
- Trim the corners as shown.



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step nine

- Turn the pillow cover right side out.
- Stuff the pillow with fiberfill to the desired fullness.
- Hand-stitch the opening closed.



step ten

- I tied satin cording from the ivory gown around the band.
- I also used the satin cording to attach the wedding rings.

