

From the Ribbon Cache of Mrs. Saint Nick . . .



Supplies

½ yard fabric color coordinated to your ribbons

11 yards of one and one-half inch wide ribbon (exact amount of each color will depend on how many colors you use)

A sixteen inch square pillow form

Directions

Cut two 17 by 17 inch squares of fabric.

Cut twenty-two 17 inch long strips of ribbon. The more ribbons you use the less amount of each ribbon color you'll need.

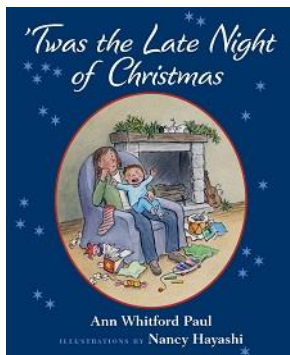
Working with the right side up of one square of your fabric pin eleven ribbons to it. Make sure they're touch their neighbor closely. Then weave the other ribbons between these as shown below. It's much easier than weaving pie dough, but uses the same principle.

After weaving in each ribbon, push it up to make sure it touches the ribbon above it. Use pins to hold the ribbons in place. In addition pin down the ribbons at the beginning and end of each strip.

Now stitch the ribbons to the fabric backing with a ¼ inch seam from the edge. Place the other fabric square and your ribboned square right side to right side, and stitch on your machine around three sides with a 1/2 inch seam. Clip the corners and turn your fabric right side out. Slide in your pillow form. Fold over and pin raw edge and using slip stitch, close pillow.



As you saw the pictures on my blog, you can make pillows of any size and also weave ribbons to make charming tree decorations. The only limit is your time, your imagination and your cache of ribbons. Have fun!



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