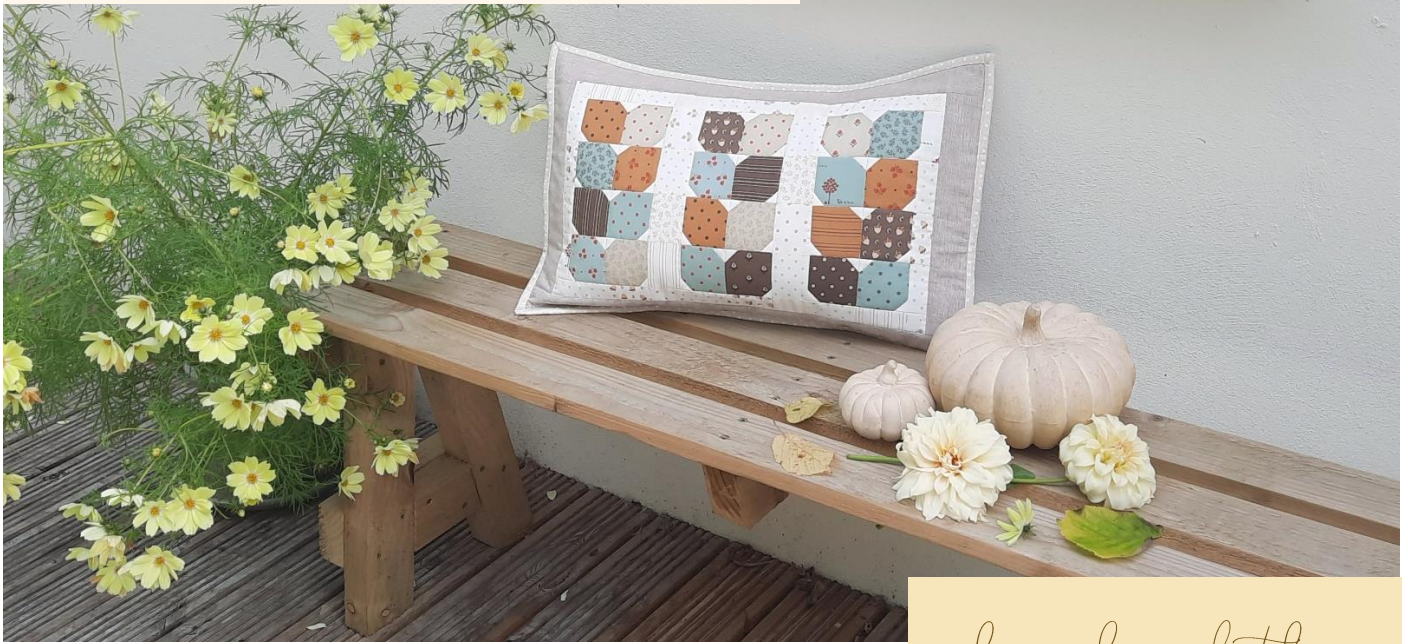


## MINI-CHARM – HARVEST HOME PILLOW



honeybee cloths

*Made from just one mini-charm pack, and a little background fabric, these easy to piece ears of wheat, make a lovely pillow, or quilt block for your harvest home xx*

### *To make the panel you'll need:*

- 1 mini-charm pack - 101 Maple Street mini-charm is used in pics throughout.  
Or a Cozy Up mini-charm would also work well.
- (1) - 2 ½" x WOF strip low volume fabric  
Cut into (11) 2 ½" squares
- (2) - 1" strip Off-white MBS 9900 20  
Cut into (48) 1" squares
- Threads for piecing and quilting.

### *If making into a pillow you'll also need:*

- 1 FQ of Essex Linen (25" x 20") - for border and backing
- 18" x 25" Wadding
- (2) 2 ½" x WOF strips for the binding

**Equipment:** Rotary cutter, ruler and mat; Sewing machine; Iron and ironing board; Scissors; Pencil or water erasable marker.

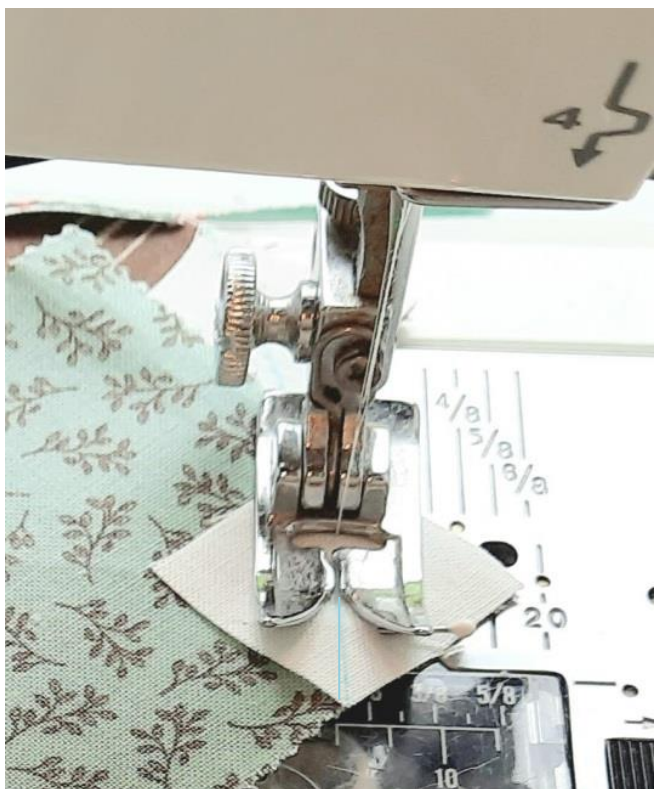




#### ***To make the panel:***

1. *On each 1" white square, draw a diagonal line.*
2. *From the mini-charm pack, select 24 colourful squares. Divide in to 3 groups of 8*
3. *Lay each group of colourful mini-charm squares in 2 columns, as shown in pic.*
4. *Place a 1" square in opposite corners of the mini-charm square. Check the diagonal lines slant the right way (see pic).*

- *The lines in the left hand column slant*
- *The lines in the right hand column slant*
- *Pin the 1" squares in place.*



#### ***Now, over to the sewing machine...***

5. *Using a small stitch length (2 to 2.2) sew along each diagonal line.*
6. *To piece the corner squares quickly use the "chain piece" technique, sewing the upper corner square of all 24 units, one after the other, without cutting the thread.*







7. Once all upper corner squares have been sewn, fold over white corner triangle and press to lock stitches. Cut thread to separate squares.

8. Repeat steps 5 to 7 for the lower corner squares.



Optional : Trim excess corner fabric, leaving 2 ½" seam, press seam open.

**Now we're ready to join the squares to form the little ears of wheat..**



9. Using ¼" seam sew adjoining squares together, to form units (see pic).



10. Sew the units together to form 3 columns, each of 4 units.

*TIP: Match seams, and hold in place using pins placed approx. 1cm either side of seam.*

11. Press seams



**Next, lay the 3 columns side by side. Now we're ready to add the background patches. (see pic below)**

*Using the lighter 2 ½" squares reserved from the mini-charm and the low volume strip.*

12 Place 4 squares between the ears of wheat.

13 Cut 24 squares in half and place around the edges of the panel, to form a narrow border.





14. Using  $\frac{1}{4}$ " seams sew together the background squares and rectangles...

- Attach the rectangles above and below the ears of wheat.(pic 1.)
- Next attach the sashing squares separating the ears of wheat, and trim  $\frac{1}{4}$ " inch off the sashing.(pic 2)
- Join the 3 ears of wheat and sashing, finally sewing the side sashing to left and right edges.(pic. 3)



Pic. 1



Pic. 2



Pic. 3

**Your Harvest Home panel is now complete!**



**To make the pillow, cut the Essex linen Fat Quarter 25" x 20":**

**To make an outer border:**

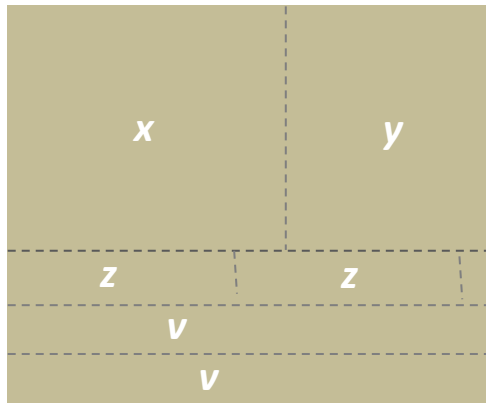
(2) - 2 ¼" x 10 ½" strips - z

(2) - 2" x 21" strips - v

**And 2 pieces for the backing:**

(1) - 14 ¼" x 13 ½" - x

(1) - 11" x 13 ½" - y



- Sew the linen borders (z and v) either side, and above and below the pieced block. Press seams flat.
- Layer the quilt block, wadding and plain cotton, to form a quilt sandwich. Quilt as desired. In the block shown in this tutorial, stitch in the ditch emphasizes the ears of wheat. Pic below shows quilting on reverse of block.



**Backing and binding.**

- Place the 2 pieces of backing linen so one overlaps the others, where the pillow will be inserted. Sew a double hem on the 2 overlapping edges.
- Place the backing pieces on the reverse of the block, wrong side down with hemmed edges in middle. Sew ¼" around the edges.
- Fold the 2 ½" binding strips in half lengthwise, wrong side together, and press.
- Bind raw edges.





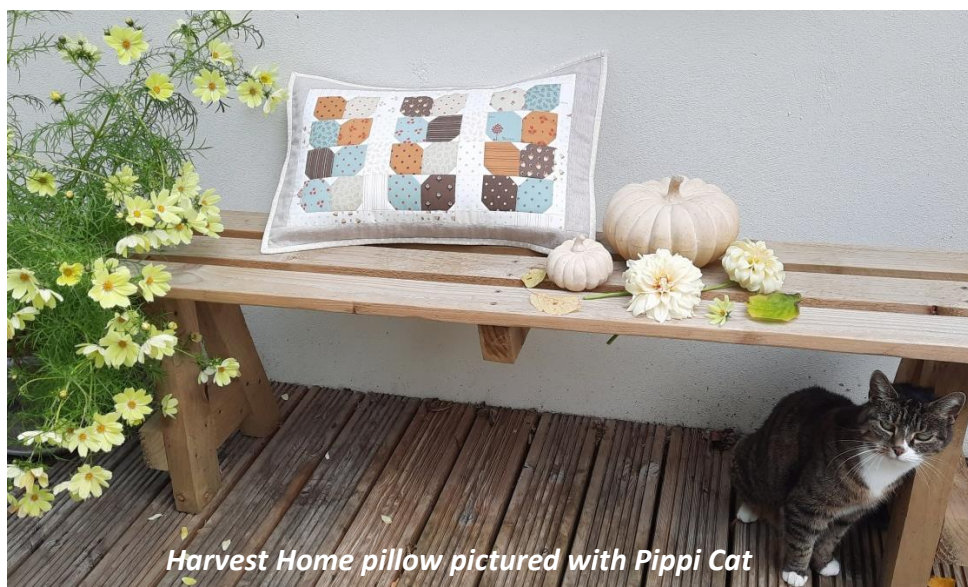


*Your pillow is now complete! Time now to sit back, enjoy a cuppa, and the little wonders of autumn.*

*We would love to see the beautiful panels and pillows you make, please share on social media, using hashtag #harvesthomepillow and #honeybeecloths, so we pick up on them.*

*Happy sewing xx*

*Dawn (Honeybee Cloths)*



*Harvest Home pillow pictured with Pippi Cat*

