

## PILLOWCASE DRESS

Make this dress from any pillowcase you've embroidered

### ITEMS NEEDED:

Pillowcase  
1 yd bias tape  
White sewing thread  
2 yd of 3/8-inch wide ribbon (for the neck)

1. Embroider the pillowcase. Wash, dry, and iron the pillowcase. Cut template pattern for armhole.
2. Fold pillowcase in half lengthwise aligning up the edges. Measure from bottom of pillowcase desired length.

Size – 6 months.....	14 ½ inches long
Size – 12 months.....	16 ¼ inches long
Size – 18 months.....	17 ¼ inches long
Size – 2T .....	18 ¼ inches long
Size – 3T .....	19 ¼ inches long

Mark lightly with a pencil. Align top of template (Diagram B) to the mark and seam side of the pillowcase. Then pin. Cut pillowcase along top edge and armhole curve only.
3. Cut 2 pieces of bias tape the length of the armhole plus a ½ inch. Pin bias tape to the right side out of each armhole, unfolding the bias tape one fold. With sewing thread, stitch bias tape to pillowcase, leaving about ¼ inch seam allowance. Clip bias tape about ½ inch or so, along the inside curve of armhole, without clipping the seam. (See Diagram A)
4. Fold bias tape along stitching line so it's completely inside armhole, none should be showing. Pin. Stitch with sewing thread, leaving about 3/8-inch seam allowance.
5. Turn pillowcase inside out. From the top fold down twice first fold ¼ inch, second fold at least 5/8 inch. Pin in place, stitch at least ½ inch from the top edge to create a casing.
6. Cut 2 pieces at a yard each of ribbon. Attach a safety pin to one end and thread through the casing hole. Do both sides of dress. Gather fabric along the ribbon so that neckline is proper width between shoulders. Tack ribbons in place at the ends of neckline. Clip end of ribbon at a 45° angle, so that they won't unravel. Tie ribbons into bows at the shoulders. And the dress is ready to wear.

