

How to make a cushion cover from an old jacket

Materials that you'll need;

- An old jacket or blazer
- A cushion
- Some paper
- 1. Before you do anything, make sure jacket pockets are empty, you don't want to be sewing over something hard and breaking a needle.
- 2. Measure your cushion and plot these measurements on a piece of paper, minus 2.5cm. This is to ensure that once the cushion is inserted it packs the cover fully and becomes nice and plump. If you have quite a pl
- 3. Button the jacket up and push down the pocket linings. Turn the jacket inside out. Make sure the jacket is lying nice and flat.
- 4. Pin the paper pattern on to the jacket and then mark around the pattern with either tailor's chalk or a felt tip pen.
- 5. Remove the pattern, and sew around the marked line using a straight stitch.
- 6. Cut the jacket 1cm from where you just stitched, there may be a lot of layers so you will need some sharp scissors! Try thinning out some of the layers as well, which will make the next stage easier.
- 7. Using an over-locker (serger) or an overlock stitch on your sewing machine, stitch all around the edge to prevent any fraying.
- 8. Unbutton the jacket (cushion cover) and turn the right way out. Poke out the corners. Insert the cushion and button it up again. All done!