



how to make simple
**HANDSPUN & WOVEN
PILLOWCASE**

— Agnieszka Kromska —

It is very satisfying to make everything from start to the end, seeing how you create yarn, then fabric and eventually finished item.

I sewed the pillowcase by hand, not using the sewing machine, so project is simple. Basic on this tutorial you can make pillowcase for 45x45 cm (18x18") pillow.

I. PREPARING FIBRES

TO BEGIN PREPARE:

- **4 COLORS OF WOOL EACH 30 G OR 1 OZ**

I USED KROMSKI POLISH MERINO: TURQUISE, NATURAL ECRU, SPEARMINT AND BEIGE.

- **SPINNING WHEEL**
- **TWO REGULAR BOBBINS**



DIVIDE THE WOOL TOP IN SHORTER PIECES.

YOU CAN PLAN HOW COLORS WILL BE ARRANGED AND TRANSITION BETWEEN EACH OTHER.

LEAVE SOME UNSPUN PIECES OF WOOL FOR LATER WEAVING.

II. SPINNING



SPIN WOOL CLOCKWISE, TRYING TO OBTAIN 20-25 WPI (WRAPS PER INCH).

THEN CHANGE BOBBIN AND SPIN IT COUNTER CLOCKWISE, BUT DO IT FAST, ONLY MAKING SURE TO REDUCE EXTRA TWIST.

THIS WAY YOUR SINGLE YARN WILL SETTLE MORE EVENLY IN FABRIC. MAKE A SKEIN USING LARGE NIDDY NODDY.

WET THE YARN, THEN DRY IT, BEST LOCKED (SLIGHTLY TIGHT).

MAKE 4 SMALLER BALLS OF YARN AND NUMBER THEM, SO THE COLORS WOULD LINE UP AS THEY WERE SPUN.

II. WEAVING

YOU WILL NEED:

- RIGID HEDDLE LOOM HARP FORTE 24" (60CM)
- 10 DENT HEDDLE
- SHUTTLE

- WARP YARN: 10/4 OR 5/2 COTTON - 100G/ 3.5 OZ
- YOUR SPUN YARN
- UNSPUN PIECES OF WOOL
- WORSTED YARN

W A R P I N G

WEAVING WIDTH: 50CM/ 20"

WARP LENGTH: 160CM / 64"

WARP ENDS: 200

USE THE DIRECT METHOD OF WARPING

([HTTPS://YOUTU.BE/DQ3KAIEJPYE](https://youtu.be/dq3kaiejpye))



FINISHED DIMENSIONS: 120CM / 48" LONG, 45CM/ 18" WIDE FRINGE: 7-8CM LONG

WEAVING

WEAVE 2" (5CM) TO SPREAD THE WARP ENDS. USE WASTE YARN

REMEMBER TO CHECK THE COLORS ORDER.

LEAVE TAIL OF WEAVING YARN (2M OR 80") FOR HEMSTITCH.

WEAVE A FEW PICKS OF PLAIN WEAVE, USE HEMSTITCH.

WEAVE AS LONG AS YOU CAN, USING PLAIN WEAVE AND,
IN SOME PLACES, ADD UNSPUN WOOL.

FINISH WITH HEMSTITCH AND CUT PROJECT FROM LOOM.

III HAND SEWING



FOLD THE FABRIC SO THAT ONE SIDE IS 45CM LONG AND THE OTHER SIDE IS LONGER. TAKE NEEDLE FOR WOOL WITHOUT SHARP TIP.

USE BASEBALL STITCH (SEE BELOW) AND SEW THE EDGES (ALONG THE RED LINES).



IV OVERLAY



V NOW TRY IT !

