

Tufting a pillow with buttons

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I made some “Amy Butler” pillows recently and it was the first time I had tufted a pillow. The technique is easy and adds style to your project, so I thought I would show you how I did it. The fabric is from Online Fabric.com.

Step 1 — Attaching the front button



Thread your long needle and tie the end to the button’s loop. Now you are ready to push the needle down through the front to the back; make a catch stitch and come back catching the loop of the button again. Continue to pull the thread tight, so that the pillow is indented. Push the needle back to the pillow’s back and catch the thread under your stitches, but don’t cut it.

Step 2 — Pulling the needle through the back



Here is the picture of how the needle must be pulled through the back. Basting stitches mark the back center.

Step 3 — Attaching the back button



Bring the thread through the back button's loop and tie it; now push your needle down through the pillow to the front and catch the front button. Go through to the back and catch the back button. Repeat a couple of times and secure your thread under the back button.

Step 4 — Finished pillow



Here is my finished pillow, in Amy Butler fabrics.

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