

# pumpkin patch pillow

🌀 **Straight from the pumpkin patch**, these whimsical fellows help greet autumn into your home!



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size: 12"x12"

## DIRECTIONS

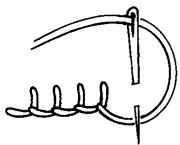
**1** Trace and cut out patterns. Cut 6"x12½" linen rectangle. Cut 3¾"x12½" strip from each border fabric. Sew top/bottom border strips to center panel with right sides facing and ¼" seam allowance.

**2** Cut pieces from iron-on adhesive slightly larger than pumpkins and stems. Follow manufacturer's instructions to fuse stems to green fabrics and pumpkins to orange fabrics. Cut out pumpkins; cut 2"x1" stems.

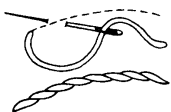
**3** Remove backing and adhere pumpkins and stems to center panel, following manufacturer's instructions.

**4** Transfer details to pumpkins and words to top/bottom borders. Use two floss strands to blanket stitch around pumpkins and stems, and to stem stitch pumpkin mouths and words. Sew yellow and orange buttons to pumpkins at eye dots, and sew green buttons to stem bottoms.

**5** Cut three 4" jute lengths. Knot centers; unravel ends. Sew knots to stems with floss.



Blanket Stitch



Stem Stitch

## MATERIALS

- Pillow form, 12"
- Natural linen, ⅓ yd.
- Homespun fabrics: top/bottom border, two different prints, ⅓ yd. each; pumpkin, orange scraps (three prints); stems, green scraps (three prints); backing of choice, ⅓ yd.
- 6-strand embroidery floss, black
- Junkitz flat buttons, ⅜": three green; two each: yellow, dk. orange, lt. orange
- Black jumbo rick rack
- Jute

## TOOLS

- Therm O Web HeatnBond® Lite Iron-On Adhesive

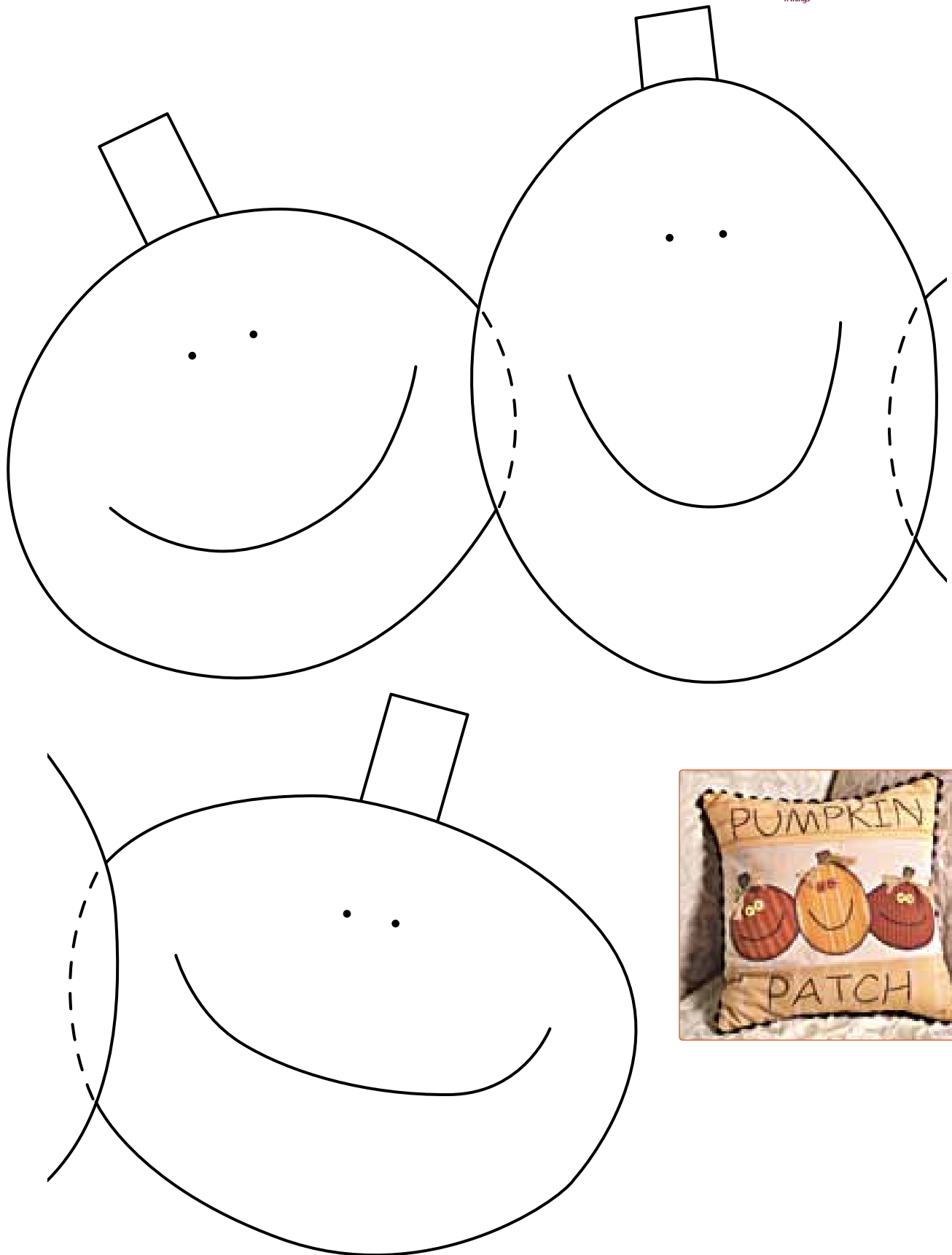
## BASIC SUPPLIES

embroidery needle, sewing machine

**6** Sew rick rack along pillow front, ¼" from edges, beginning and ending in bottom corner and sewing through center of rick rack.

**7** Cut 12½" square for backing. Sew together front and back panels along rick rack stitching, with right sides facing, leaving 10" opening at bottom. Trim corners; turn right side out. Insert pillow form. Hand sew opening closed.

**TIPS:** Pin appliqués from wrong side to avoid tangling thread on pins. • A small pillow in your lap will support the work, improve posture, and act as a pincushion when stitching by hand. • Stitches should be no more than ⅛" apart. Stitches further apart may cause unsightly gaps. • Consider adding beads, fabric paints, or trim to appliqué projects for a unique look. Accent a pattern in the fabric or create an original design. (Tips are courtesy of EZ Quilting® by Wrights® [www.ezquilt.com](http://www.ezquilt.com))



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