

Quilted Easter Egg Pattern



Materials:

3" Smoothfoam™ Egg

Circle Pattern (Used to Divide Egg)

Packet of 250 Sequin Flat Head Straight Pins – $\frac{3}{4}$ "

Layer #1 & #3 – 26 Rectangles (1 $\frac{1}{2}$ " X 2") Solid Cotton Fabric
(2 Solid Fabric Rectangles Are To Go Behind Layer #1)

Layer #2 & #4 – 32 Rectangles Printed Cotton Fabric
(Layer #2 – 16 @ 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ " X 2" – Layer #4 – 16 @ 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ " X 2 $\frac{5}{8}$ ")

Band – Printed Cotton Fabric (1 $\frac{1}{2}$ " Wide X 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ " Long)

1 Yard of $\frac{1}{8}$ " Satin Ribbon

1 – 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ " Long Pearl Decorative Pin

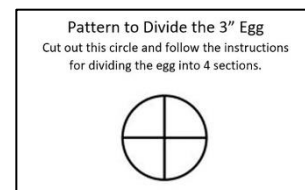
Small Ruler, Metal Thimble, Scissors, Drawing Pen, Metal Fork (Not Included)

To create this beautiful Easter Egg ornament, start by cutting out the circle pattern, used to divide your egg into 4 sections.

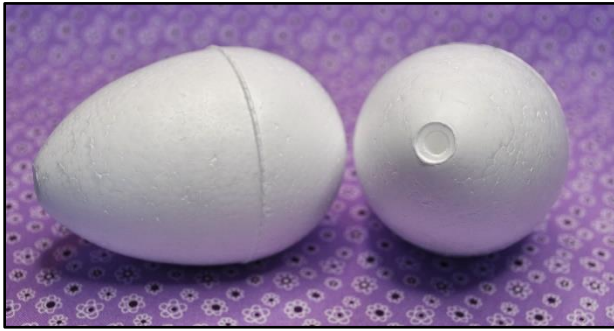
The 3" egg is made from a solid foam material, produced by a company called Smoothfoam™.

You can purchase more eggs from their website at

www.smoothfoam.com. These eggs are sold in a packet of six. You can also find them at your local Hobby Lobby craft store. They sell them in a packet of four.



Divide the Egg



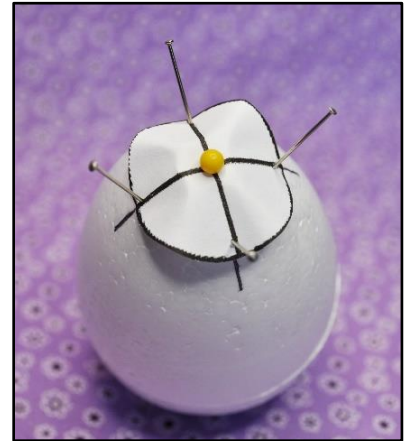
Notice there is a seam in the middle section of the egg and a 1" deep hole at the top. You will need to use a 1 ½" long straight pin to hold your circle pattern in place within that hole.



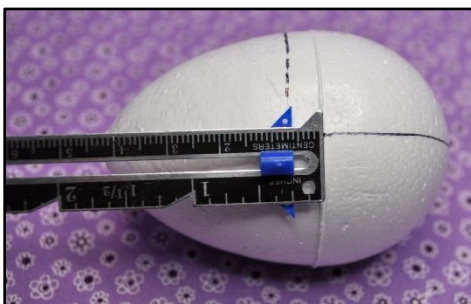
To divide your egg into four sections, cut out the circle and pin it to the top of the egg. Place pins around the circle and draw a pen mark at each line.

On the bottom of the egg, you will see a small flat circle.

Draw a dot in the middle of that circle.



Take a string or a rubber band and wrap it around the egg, following the lines you have drawn at the top and the center dot at the bottom. If you use a leather string, as you see in the picture, pin the leather string to the egg at one end. This will hold your string tight as you draw a line around the egg using a ballpoint or fine felt tip pen. Draw around the egg twice until you have divided it into four sections.

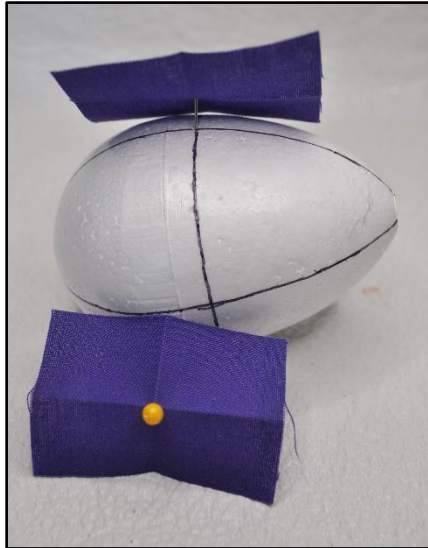


Next, you will need to draw a line ¼" above the center mold line. Best to use a 6" metal sewing gauge to make your measurements.

Now you are ready to start making your ornament.

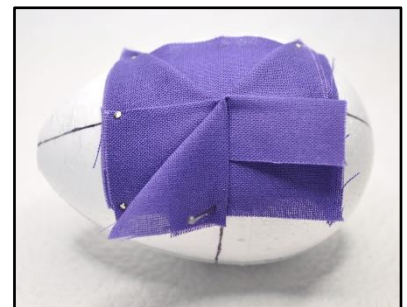
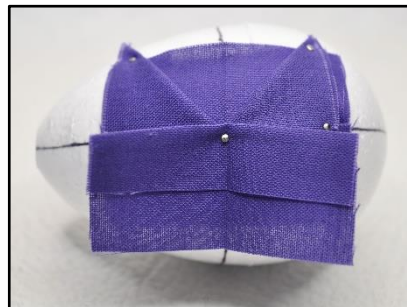
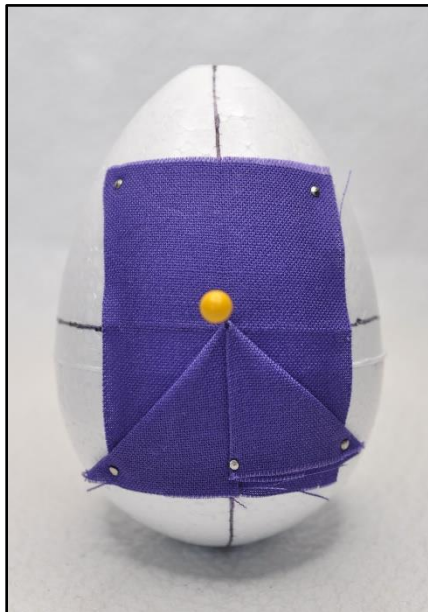


This is called a 4-Layer ornament with four layers on each side. Layer #1 will have four triangles and layers #2, #3, and #4 will each have eight triangles. Layer #1 and #3 are made using a solid cotton fabric. Layers #2 and #4 are made using a small printed cotton fabric. You have 26 solid fabric rectangles and only 24 will be made into triangles. **TIP: Make layers #1, #2, and #3 on both sides, before making layer**



#4. With the two extra fabric rectangles, you will place one on each side under Layer #1. This fabric will be pinned to the egg, but will not show under Layer #1. It is only there to prevent you from seeing the white egg in case you don't get your triangles close enough together in Layer #1. Fold each rectangle in half and then in half again to find the center. On Layer #1, this is called the "center dot." As shown in the picture, put a pin in the center of the rectangle and line it up with the center lines of the egg. Pin it down at all four corners, keeping the yellow pin in place.

How to Make a Triangle



Start by folding one piece of rectangle fabric over about $\frac{1}{2}$ ". Use your fingers to press down the fold. No need to use an iron. Next, fold the rectangle in half to find the center. On the center fold line, place a pin about $\frac{1}{16}$ " below the top fold line. Push that pin into the egg at the "center dot," yellow pin. You then remove that yellow pin from the "center dot." Fold down each side of the fabric and place a pin at the bottom center, catching both sides of the overlapping fabric. Then pin each corner to secure the triangle.



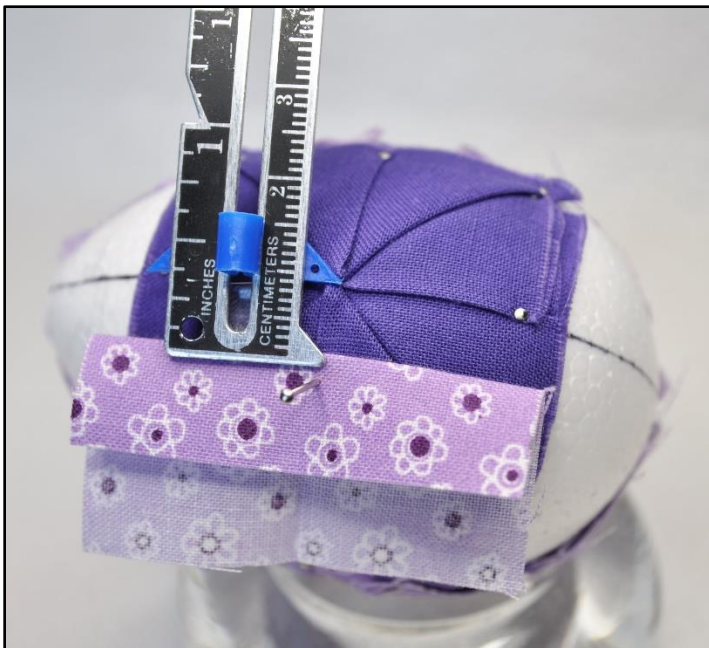
Layer #1

After your first triangle is completed with the wide part of the triangle facing the bottom of the egg, turn your egg around and make one facing the top. Then make the third and fourth triangles on each side. This will complete layer #1.

Make the same layer #1 on the other side of the egg.

TIP: Notice that each point of the four triangles in layer #1 comes closely together at the “center dot.” When starting each triangle at the center dot, place your pin almost in the same spot where you had placed the yellow pin that was removed. The points of each triangle will overlap each other at the center dot. This will bring your four triangle points close together.

How to Measure Between Layers



The measurement from the “center dot” in layer #1 to the top of each pointed triangle of layer #2 will be $\frac{3}{8}$ ". To make that measurement, measure from the “center dot” to just below the fold of each triangle, leaving a little space between the edge of the ruler and the flat-head straight pin. When the triangle is completed, you will have a $\frac{3}{8}$ " measurement from the center dot to the top point of each triangle. When measuring

from layer #2 to layer #3, you will measure from the points of each triangle in layer #2 to the points of each triangle in layer #3. You will do the same when making your measurements from layer #3 to layer #4.

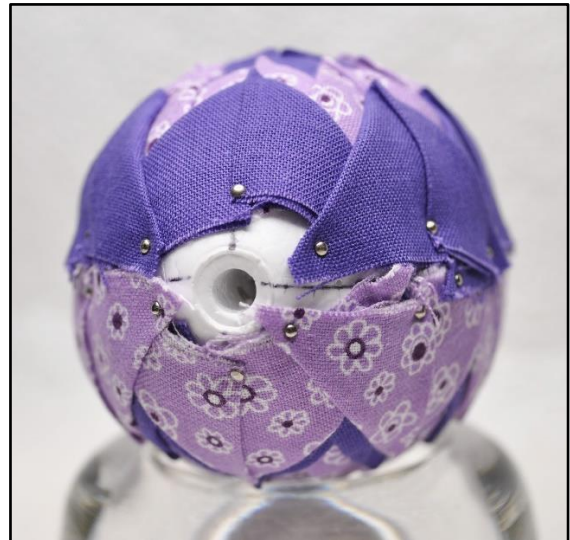
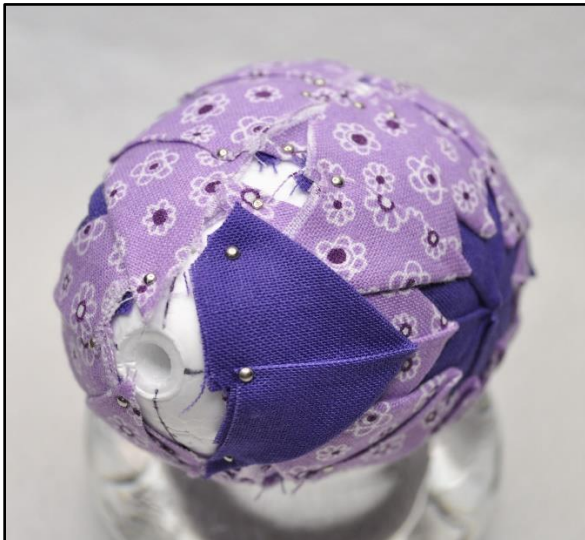
Layer #2



Layer #2 consists of eight triangles; two sets of four. Make your first set of four triangles measuring $\frac{3}{8}$ " from the center dot to the tip of each triangle. Then complete this layer with the second set of four triangles, using the same $\frac{3}{8}$ " measurement. When

you have completed layer #2, do the same on the other side of the egg.

Layer #3



Layer #3 also consists of eight triangles; two sets of four. Make your first set of four triangles measuring $\frac{3}{8}$ " from the tip of each triangle in layer #2 to the tip of each triangle for layer #3. Then complete this layer with the second set of four triangles, using the same $\frac{3}{8}$ " measurement. When you have completed layer #3, do the same on the other side of the egg. The photos above will show you how your triangles will begin to curve around the top of the egg.

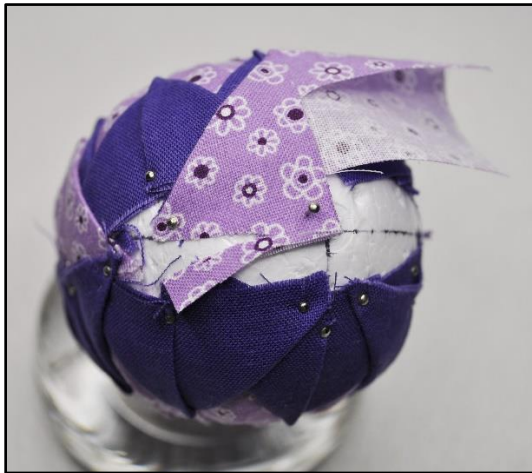
Layer #4



To make Layer #4 on each side, you will use the printed fabric rectangles that are $1\frac{1}{2}$ " wide by $2\frac{5}{8}$ " long. You need these rectangles to be a little longer so your fabric will cover the bottom end of the egg. You will trim fabric on each triangle.

The measurements from layer #3 to layer #4 is between $\frac{1}{8}$ " and $\frac{1}{4}$ ". I don't actually make this measurement with my

ruler, I just eyeball it. Do the same as you have with the other layers, making your first set of four triangles and then your second set of four triangles, then do the same on the other side. Notice how this layer is trimmed along the center line.



The Band

The band fabric is the same printed fabric used in layer #2 and #4 and it measures 1 ½" wide and 9 ½" long. You can fold your band using your fingers, but for this band, I found it better to use my iron and ironing board. When folded, the band will be 5/8" wide. On the back side of the band, fold under ½" all the way down the band and press down. Then fold and press down, almost 3/8", on the other



side of the band, adjusting to make the width of the band, 5/8". The band will be placed along the center line that is now covered up by the edges of each triangle in layer #4 on each side. The reason you need extra fabric in layer #4, is so the edge of each triangle with pins would be close to that center line. That way, the band will cover the pins and keep them from showing.

Start by placing the band over the hole at the top of the egg and put one pin on each side of the band. Pull the band around the egg, following the

center seam, making sure to cover the pins in each triangle of layer #4 on each side. When you have the band pulled all the way around the egg, hold the band with pins, as you see in the photo, and draw a line about 3/8" past the start of the other end of the band. Then cut the excess fabric off of the band on the line you have drawn and fold your band under about ¼".



Secure the band with two pins.

TIP: If you want to make your egg to put in a basket and you don't want to add the bow and hanger at the top, you can glue the edge of the band down and when it is dry, remove the two pins.



The Bow

Now that you have completed your egg ornament, it is time to create a small bow for the top and a hanger. To do this, you will use a satin ribbon 1/8" wide. This kit includes 1 yard of ribbon, but in the picture of my ornament, I only used about 27" to complete the bow with hanger. Start by cutting a 6" hanger. Then using a metal fork, wrap the ribbon around the fork about eight or nine times. More if you want your bow a little fuller. Push the pearl decorative pin through the hanger ribbon

and then through all layers of the wrapped ribbon and pull the ribbon off of the fork. I used two pins to separate and fan out the layers of the bow. Then place the bow at the top of the egg and push the pearl pin with bow and hanger into the top hole. Adjust the bow to look just how you want it to.

Your ornament is complete!



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Instructions for Completing the Egg Ornament
Without the Bow and Hanger



Fold band fabric under 1/4" and tuck pins under the folded ends.

Center pin is optional.

You can also fold fabric under and use a tacky glue.



*When using glue,
Aleene's Original
Tacky Glue
is best!*

Pattern to Divide the 3" Egg

Cut out this circle and follow the instructions
for dividing the egg into 4 sections.

