

Re-imagine & Renovate: In The Mood For Indigo - Pillow Trio

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In January of this year, we kicked off a new series called, "R&R." It wasn't about the traditional meaning: "Rest & Relaxation." At Sew4Home, "R&R" stands for: "Re-imagine & Renovate." It's about putting a new spin on a favorite design, picking new fabrics, trims and notions to create a unique look. We're back this month with four new twists and a special focus: Spring's hottest color trend – *Indigo*. Today, we use it to transform our original set of perky Valentine's Day pillows into a rich trio of indigo indulgence.

Natural indigo is extracted from plants and is one of the oldest known dyes, dating back as far as the 7th Century BC. It was a rare commodity, considered a luxury item and a high-value trading commodity. You can find some accounts where it is referred to as "blue gold." Don't confuse it with its more pedestrian cousin, navy! Indigo is a distinctive blue with subtle undertones of violet. In fact, indigo is one of the seven colors of the rainbow (or optical spectrum): red, orange, yellow, green, blue, INDIGO, violet.

A big thanks to [Fat Quarter Shop](#) and [Fabric.com](#) for co-sponsoring the series and providing all the fabric for today's *Re-imagine & Renovate* project.

We've worked with the great folks at [Fat Quarter Shop](#) since the very beginning of S4H, and we love them still. They have an outrageous selection of quilt fabric, quilting pre-cuts, quilt kits and patterns, and exclusive quilt clubs. And, they are always on top of the newest collections.

Our most recent series with [Fabric.com](#), *Everything Old Is New Again*, just finished up last week. It was a fun tour through some "forgotten" fabrics, like seersucker, linen and toile. And, it was a great way to introduce you to [Fabric.com's](#) incredible inventory. I believe they are the definition of, "... and so much more!"



These eye-popping pillow fabrics are from the [Impressions](#) collection by Ty Pennington for [Free Spirit Fabrics Fat Quarter Shop](#) provided us with three coordinating prints: [Indigo Ivy](#), [Blue Medallion](#) and [Blue Delhi](#). The fabric for all the pillow backs as well as the ruched accent flower is a [lovely medium weight white linen](#) from [Fabric.com](#). We used [Poly-Fil by Fairfield](#) to plump up all three pillows.



To Re-imagine & Renovate your own pillow trio, go to the original tutorial:

[Valentines: Heart Happy Woodland Delight Pillow Trio](#)

Hints and Tips

Looking for more information on blending, mixing and matching? Check out these tutorials:

[How to Create A Fabric Palette](#)

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Making the Right Fabric Choice

And make sure you catch our monthly **Love That Fabric** features, like last month's look at [Crazy Love by Jennifer Paganelli for Free Spirit Fabrics](#). These articles are a great way to get a glimpse of some of our favorite fabric trends.

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