

IKEA Poang Chair Slipcover

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Materials Needed

About 4 yards (measure length including flap extended x 2, plus 10-15" for movement, fold overlap plus seam allowance of 2" on each side of the width).

The IKEA Poang Chair is a very popular staple in many budget savvy homes — but it only comes in a few colors and patterns, white being the only one that would work in the baby's room. We all know white won't last long, and I wanted a chair that would POP, so I decided to attempt to make a cover for the Poang cushion that would do the baby's room some justice.

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You know these chairs – you've seen them, and you may even own one! We opted for one of these guys over a rocker (saving us hundreds of dollars) when we were decorating Logan's room, and it turned out to be a great purchase. Logan is 2 now, and we still use the chair every night for story time, and he likes to climb up and sit and read by himself as well. We decided to save our pennies again and go with the same chair for the nursery, but with an added twist!

I found this fantastic duck canvas at [Hobby Lobby](#), one of my favorite sources for fabric (40% off coupon – can't beat that!). There were a few ways that I could have tackled this project, but I wanted to make it as easy on myself as

possible (8.5 months pregnant and all). I decided to forgo zippers, but since I wanted it to be removable – knowing full well that spit-up WILL make it onto the beautiful fabric – I made it a giant slipcover, much like a normal pillow cover.

I couldn't get a piece long enough to cover the cushion with one whole piece of fabric (if you can, do it, it will be easier!) so I had to use two pieces (one long, one short), but really the hardest part of the whole project was just shoving the cushion into the cover. 😊

I followed the same method for creating the ottoman cover – a large piece of fabric, overlapping in the center on the backside.

Here is the tutorial for you DIY-ers — hope it is clear, if not please feel free to contact me with any questions!

## **IKEA Poang Chair Slipcover!**

Materials Needed:

- **Fabric** – a few yards, you'll need to measure your cushion to determine, but I think I used 4.
- **Velcro** – one piece the length of the velcro that is on the existing cushion, and you'll just need the one side (soft side).
- **Sewing supplies** — machine, coordinating thread, scissors, pins, etc.

1. Measure your cushion (flap extended) and get the length of fabric you need to cover the whole thing (length of cushion x2 + 4in) if you can. If not, do the math to figure out how you can get it covered with two pieces – I had a long

and a short piece that I sewed together. You'll want to do this prior to starting the cover.

*\*Had not yet sewn on my second piece of fabric – so imagine the top has an extra few feet of material that would fold over the top of the cushion and overlap the other edge!*

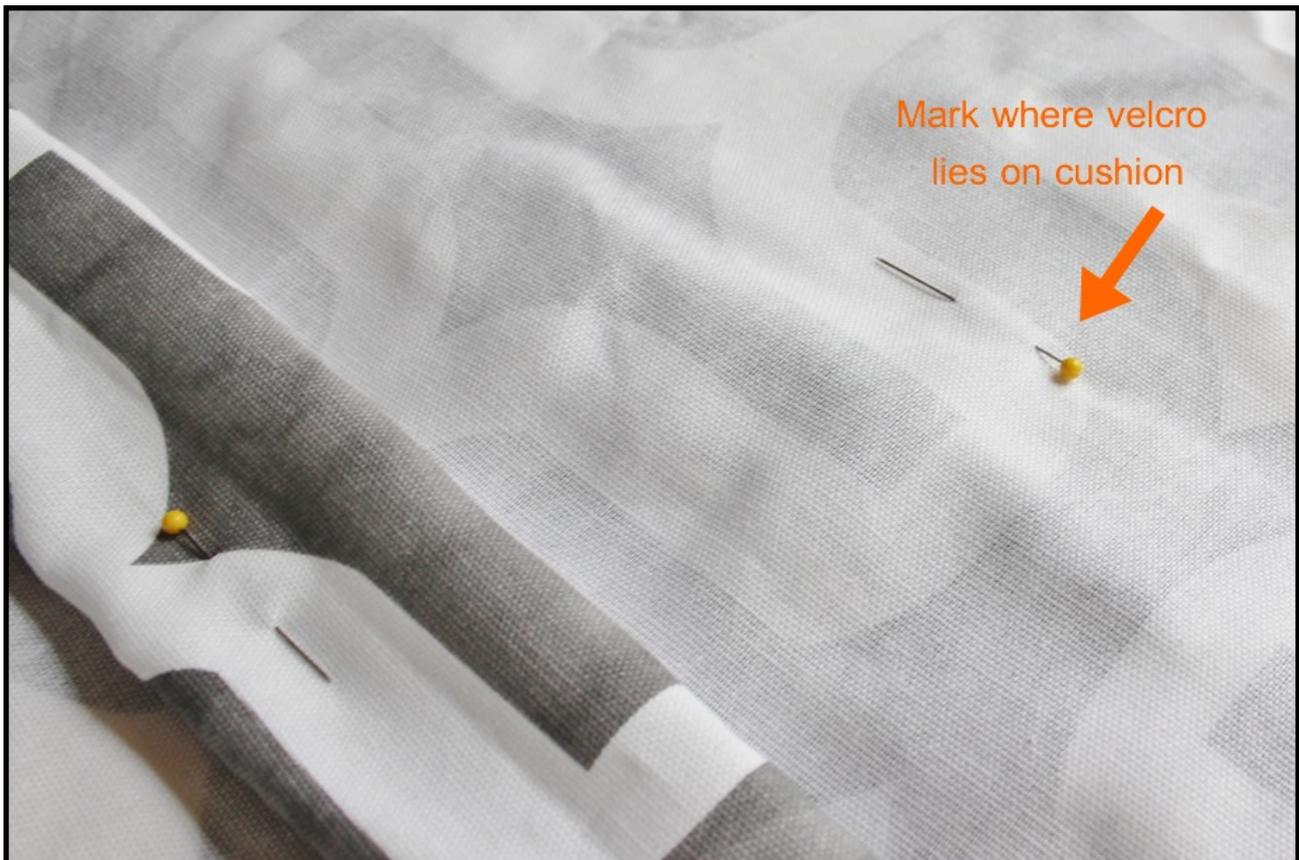
Lay the fabric face down on the ground and place your cushion on top (flap extended, back side up so you see the velcro). Wrap the fabric around the cushion so there is an overlap.



2. Fold back one edge about an inch twice and pin in place. Do the same with the other edge — the two edges should still overlap if you measured correctly.

3. Pin up the long sides of the fabric, but leave the shorter side open (so you can slip the cushion out later)

4. Use a pin to mark on one edge of the fabric where the velcro is on the cushion. This is the edge that you will sew new velcro on so that your cushion connects to the chair.



5. Fold the edge back and pin your piece of velcro (check to make sure the length and texture matches what is on the existing cushion)

6. Pin just the corner of the short side that you haven't pinned yet to hold it in place – you're going to then slip the cushion out and start sewing!

7. Take your fabric to the sewing machine. First sew your folded over edges. I sewed mine right in the middle of the fold, so it left a nice-looking seam.

8. Next, sew on your velcro strip!

9. Now you can sew up the pinned sides on the long half of your cover. Start at the bottom fold and go up – when you get to the top where the folded edge is, stop at the top of the edge and do some back-stitching several times for reinforcement.

10. You're almost done – it looks like an envelope right now. Lay it out and pin the remaining sides on the short half, and sew those up too. Your folded edge at the top should be *past* the folded edge on the other half of the cover, so when you sew you're going to sew right over the first edge (underneath your current layer) and up to the top of the current edge – again back-stitching several times for reinforcement.

*\*Showing first edge under the current layer – sew right over it!*

11. One last bit of maintenance. Since the cushions are rounded – you'll want to clip and sew the corners. Use pinking shears if you have them – it makes it easier!



12. Turn your project inside out, press it if needed, and proceed to STUFF the cushion into the cover. Stuff the long side first. This isn't easy and you will think you did something wrong – but just keep pushing, I promise it will go in!

And Voila! You're done 😊

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