No Sew Fleece Blanket



Step by Step instructions to make a No-Sew Fleece blanket. Fleece comes 60-inches wide, so your blanket should be around 60 x 60 (or longer). Your finished product will be about 10-inches smaller than the fabric you start with.

Tip: If your blanket is square (all four sides the same length) you can turn the top so that the stretch goes in the opposite direction of the stretch on the bottom piece. This gives a more stable blanket.



Step 1: Choose the Fabric

Choose a print and a contrasting or matching solid. I like to use strong, bold contrasts. You will need a solid and a print that are the same size. My sample uses a nice dark hunter green for the back.



Step 2: Line up the Two Fabric Pieces.

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Step 3: Trim to the Same Size.

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Step 4: Cut Out the Corners
Cut a 5-inch square from each of the four corners.



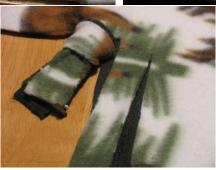
Step 5: Cutting the Fringe

Cut fringe on all four sides of the blanket. Cut through both layers of fabric at the same time. Fringe pieces should be a little wider than the width of your finger. Cut in from the edge 5 inches. I like to lay a yard-stick across the fabric, 5 inches from the edge so that I know how far in to make my cut.

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Step 6: Begin Tying Knots

Leave your blanket lying flat on the surface, with all fringes lined up. I find it easier to start tying from the left and work right, going around the blanket. If you are left-handed, you may find it easier to start on the right and work left. These knots are called balloon knots. Tie them just like you would if tying off a balloon. You can also tie a knot like you would make with a shoe lace. That kind of knot will be easier if your hands are arthritic.



Step 7: Continue Around the Blanket

Tie all the fringes together on all four sides of the blanket. You are finished! All the knots should be snug up to the blanket, but not too tight. The finished blanket should lay flat.

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