

# SIMPLE BABY/LAYETTE BLANKET

## Create the Pattern

Make a pattern out of the brown kraft paper to use as a guide (optional). We ask that the blankets be anywhere from 28" x 28" to 34" x 34" square. Lay both pieces of fabric out — pretty sides facing — on a work surface. Flannel is great for this project and both sides don't need to be the same fabric...they should look good together, though! Lay the pattern paper over both pieces of fabric and secure them with straight pins. Cut the fabric around the pattern. Make sure everything is smooth and that the template is square to the fabric so the pattern isn't crooked.

## Prep for Sewing

Remove the pattern paper and re-pin the fabric together (still pretty sides together).

## Stitch the Sides

Use a sewing machine to sew around the entire blanket 1/2" from the edge. Leave about 4 inches open on a straight-edge side, not a corner. Backstitch on the machine when you start and stop.

## Pull Pretty Sides Out

Clip the corners diagonally to neaten everything up. Turn the blanket right-side out through the 4-inch hole. Press the blanket lightly with an iron, making sure the edges of the hole are turned in. You may pin the two layers together flat in a few places to keep them from shifting or creating any bubbles.

## Sew around edges again

Use a sewing machine to sew around the entire blanket 1/2" from the edge, making sure that the 4-hole on the side is closed by your stitching. Voila! Your blanket is finished!