

Single layer no-sew KNOTTED fleece blanket

Four easy steps to a warm, cuddly blanket

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Purchase new “blizzard” or anti-pill fleece

Either a 1-1/2 yard length for young children or a 2 yard length for teenagers
(pick fun, kid-friendly patterns - no solids or “Make It, Give It” kits please)

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Gather the tools you will need

- Clean, flat surface to work on
- Sharp scissors or fabric rotary cutter
- Cutting mat (required for rotary cutter)
- Straight pins
- Measuring tape or blue painter’s tape
- Straight edge – a yardstick works well
- Pen or pencil
- Needle and thread (or sewing machine, if you have one)
- Project Linus label & blanketeer tag with yarn

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Make a blanket – the fun part!

See the next page for instructions to make a single layer no-sew KNOTTED fleece blanket

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Drop off: the finished blanket at any SJ Linus Drop Off locations listed at <http://www.sjlinus.org>

- OR -

If this is a Community Service project which requires sign-off:

- A. Track your hours, then...
- B. Make an appointment to bring your blankets for sign off by one of the leaders listed under “Community Service Projects” on the [sjlinus.org](http://www.sjlinus.org) web page.

Single layer no-sew KNOTTED fleece blanket instructions

Step 1 – Prep fleece

- Fold fleece in half with selvage* edges together.
- Carefully cut off selvage through both layers using a straight edge, leaving very straight, clean edges. If you have a cutting mat, line up the folded fleece on a straight line to cut.
**Rolled, rough or discolored edges and could be 1/2" – 2"+ wide. Some fleece selvage may have fabric maker writing.*
- Then trim the right and left sides to ensure straight edges.



Step 2 – Cut the fleece edge strips on 2 sides only

- Keep the fleece folded in half.**
- Place a measuring tape or blue painter's tape as a guiding line 5 inches from the selvage edge and pin the tape through both layers of fleece. If using painter's tape, mark every 1-inch for fringe pattern (do NOT draw directly on fleece).
 - Cut fleece strips up to the tape, cutting both layers at the same time – each strip should be 1-inch wide & 5-inches tall.
***Note: for a 2 yard piece of fleece, re-fold in the opposite direction to cut your strips on the two NON-selvage edges.*



Step 3 – Tie the knots

- Remove tape and pins; UNFOLD FLEECE.
- Loosely** tie each separate piece of fringe with a simple knot at the top of each strip (where it connects to the rest of the blanket).
- Take care that all knots are alike and fringe strips lay flat.



Step 4 – Add the Project Linus label & tag

- Place the Project Linus label on the back side in the corner of the blanket, securely sew it only on the two short sides as shown on this crochet edge blanket.
- Complete a Project Linus blanketeer tag with your name and tie the yarn loosely with a knot (not a bow) through the sewn-on label.
Thank you for creating and donating your soft, warm knotted fleece blanket!
- All done!**



#1B Prep - cut off both selvage ends

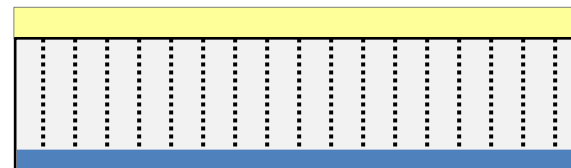
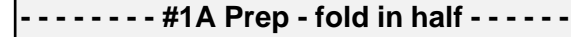


Diagram is for 1-1/2 yard fleece
Finished blanket will be approximately 48" x 54"
(excluding fringe)
(Note: Drawing not to scale)

#1C Prep - trim sides straight

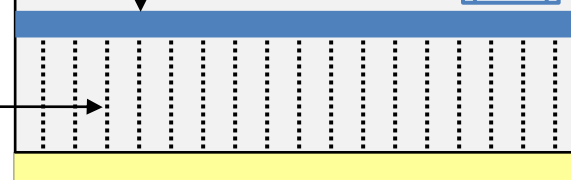
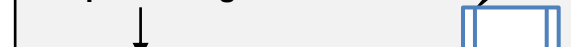


#1A Prep - fold in half



#2A –
place tape
5" up from edge

#4 - add PL
label & card



#2B - cut 1-inch by 5-inch strips from edge on top & bottom sides