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Hello, Sewists!

There is not a better baby shower gift out there than a handmade baby blanket. Learning how to make a baby blanket is going to make you one of the most popular gift-givers out there. Baby blanket patterns bridge the gap between cute, sentimental gifts and something new moms will actually use. Itty bitty babies are just so little, making it imperative that you keep them warm. These baby blanket patterns are all as adorable as they are useful. Give the gift of cuddles, toasty warmth, and a good night's sleep with these free patterns. The baby sewing patterns in *How to Make a Baby Blanket: 10 Baby Blanket Patterns for Sewing* make excellent baby shower gifts, and there is a pattern for every budget.

From super-fast how to sew a baby blanket tutorials like the 15 Minute Baby Blanket (pg. 10) to more complicated baby quilt patterns like the Lovey Dovey Baby Blanket (pg. 37), these 10 full baby blanket patterns and tutorial will jetset your creativity. Once you download this free sewing patterns eBook, you will never need another baby blanket pattern again!

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## Baby Blanket Patterns

### Reversible Baby Blanket Pattern

By: [Katie Clark from Clarks Condensed](#)

Learn how to make a baby blanket with this adorable and supremely simple free sewing pattern. This too-cute idea shows you how to convert two receiving blankets into one baby blanket pattern, making this the perfect sewing project idea for the mom that received too many gifts at her baby shower to be useful. You can never have too many baby blankets, and with upcycled ideas like this Reversible Baby Blanket Pattern, you can turn that gifted dud into a brand new blanket. Plus, you can easily convert your gently-used receiving blankets into brand new patterns as a DIY baby shower gift.



#### Materials:

- Two Receiving Blankets
- Matching Thread



**Instructions:**

1. Place the two receiving blankets right side together. It's best if you pin them so they don't shift while you are sewing.



2. Sew around the edges, sewing right on top of the existing seam from the receiving blankets. Leave about 5 inches open.



3. Turn inside out. Sew around the edges with a decorative or straight stitch, making sure to close the 5 inch gap.



4. Press the edges flat and iron if necessary. Enjoy!



## Frayed Flannel Baby Blanket

By: [Emily Thompson from Nap-Time Creations](#)

Looking for stylish and practical baby items can be exhausting. Baby accessories are far too expensive to not make your own baby blankets, diapers, and more. The Frayed Flannel Baby Blanket pattern is going to show you how to make a practical baby blanket pattern that is as adorable and cozy as it is budget-friendly. Keep your little one warm by creating this DIY blanket out of warm and cozy fleece. This would be the perfect pattern to make for baby's first Christmas, as well.



### Materials:

- 1.5 yards of 2 coordinating fabrics
- Matching Thread
- Rotary Cutter
- Tag (optional)



**Instructions:**

1. Cut the fabric into 7 inch strips, the width of the fabric. This will create 5 inch stripes with 1 inch seam allowance on each side. You can make them wider or narrower, but if you make them smaller you will need more fabric.



2. Pair up the strips with one of each fabric in each pair and lay wrong sides together.



3. Grab two pairs (four pieces of fabric) and place together, so the two in the middle are right sides together with DIFFERENT fabrics touching. Pin and sew the long side of the fabric with a 1 inch seam allowance. (If you want all of one color on each side (not alternating), match the fabric when you put it together.)



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4. Continue piecing the strips, keeping the wide seam allowance on the SAME side of the blanket. One side should have flat seams and the other sticks up.



5. When it's all put together, sew around the outside of the blanket at 1 inch seam allowance. Now, clip at 1/2 inch intervals on every seam and around the outside. Wash at least twice before using and watch the flannel fray beautifully. You will need to empty the drain of your washing machine, LOTS of bits get caught! Add a tag if you have them, and you have a beautiful gift!

## 15 Minute Baby Blanket Pattern

By: [Remona Gopaul from The Stitching Scientist](#)

Learn how to sew a super simple, soft, and cuddly baby blanket. This makes for the perfectly personalized, handmade, DIY baby shower gift. In just three steps you can make a beautiful creation for the new baby in your life. Finding free baby sewing patterns that are quick to make and cheap to sew can be hard to come by. Lucky for you, this 15 Minute Baby Blanket Pattern will cost you less than ten dollars and whips up faster than you can say "new baby"! This project uses just under two yards of fabric.



### Materials:

- 1 yard cuddle fabric
- 1 yard flannel or cotton
- Iron-on tag (optional)

*Note: Remember to wash and dry your cotton or flannel before you start your project to avoid shrinkage.*

**Instructions:**

1. Cut the cuddle and flannel fabric into 30 x 40 inch pieces.



2. Sew all the way around, right sides together, leaving a 4 inch opening.



3. Poke out the corners with a straw or stick.



4. Top stitch the opening and around the perimeter of the blanket.



5. Fold nicely and you're done!

## Memories DIY Baby Blanket

By: [Chelsea Briner from GYCT Designs](#)

Moms and dads take a lot of photos of their little ones during their first few months. It is just too irresistible to not document every little smile and giggle. If you have a plethora of baby pictures of your baby or grandbaby lying around, this Memories DIY Baby Blanket should be your next project. This pattern shows you exactly how to create the cutest memory blanket you will ever own! This would be a great first birthday gift, too.



### Materials:

- 2 yards of fabric (can be same or different)
- 1 package of double folded bias tape
- 2 packages of double folded quilting bias tape
- Fusible fabric sheets
- Batting
- Thread

**Instructions:**

1. First, you'll need to make bunting out of your baby's monthly pictures. The example below printed 4 to a page. You can decide how big you want to make them. Follow the instructions on your Fusible Fabric package for printing.



2. Next, decide how you want your bunting to lay on the fabric. Take your double fold bias tape and lay it out on your main fabric. The example features 2 rows, but you could do 3 or even 4. The rows will depend on the size of your bunting pictures. Experiment a little before you commit. Pin it in place.



3. Open the bias tape and stitch it down to the fabric.



4. Now grab those cute bunting pictures. Iron them in-between the bias tape and then to the fabric. Make sure to follow the instructions on the packaging so you don't ruin them.



5. Once the pictures are ironed on, stitch them down. Make sure the stitching is close to the outside edge.



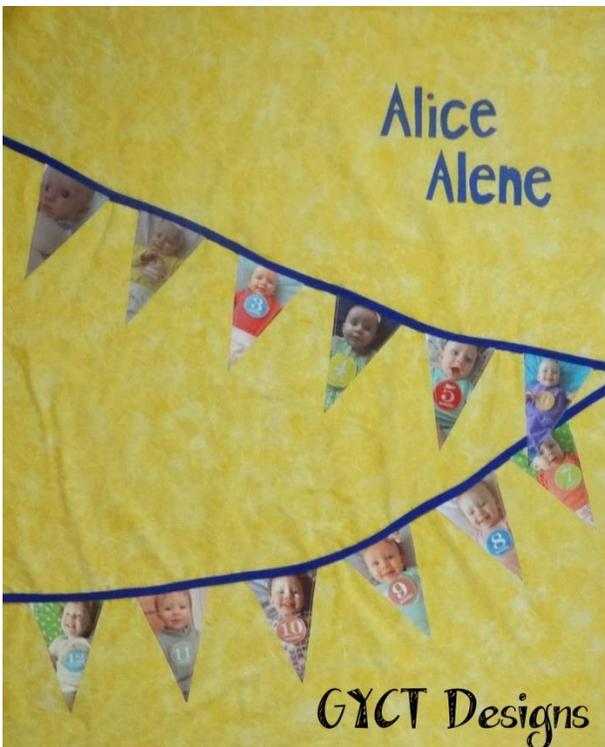
6. Once all the pictures are sewn down, fold your bias tape down and stitch across the bias tape to close it. Stitch along the bottom edge of the bias tape.



- Cut out and stitch any other details you would like to add to the quilt. This example includes the child's name.



- Your blanket should look something like the picture below.



9. Now place your batting and remaining yard of fabric underneath your bunting layer. Make sure Right Sides are facing out. Pin all the layers together really well.



10. Now all you have to do is bind your blanket. Grab your quilting bias tape. Open it up and stitch it to the edge of your blanket through all the layers. You can see that below. Fold the bias tape around to the opposite side and stitch it in place.



11. You're finished!

## Hundred Acres Baby Blanket Pattern

By: Fabi from Fabi Makes

Winnie the Pooh needs a cuddle too and with this Hundred Acres Baby Blanket Pattern you can easily make free baby blanket patterns that are perfect for the silly old (or new!) bear in your life. This 2-yard baby blanket sewing tutorial is a breeze. Brand new sewists looking to give the best baby shower gifts will impress with this baby blanket pattern. In just one afternoon (or an hour if you are a quick sewist), you can learn how to make a blanket that is classic, clean, and great for newborns.



### Materials:

- 1 yard of cotton fabric (Winnie the Pooh in this case)
- 1 yard of coordinating flannel
- 1 package of cotton batting
- 1 package of satin binding

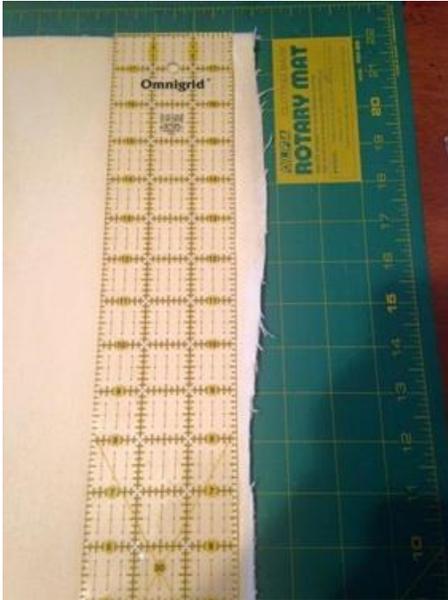
Notes: Before you begin your project, it is recommended that you wash your fabric.



Find even more free sewing patterns for babies in our list of [75+ Free Baby Sewing Patterns You'll Adore](#).

## Instructions:

1. Layer your fabrics by sandwiching the flannel, the batting, and the cotton fabrics. Trim them as needed to make them the same size. Pin all around.



2. Sew fabric layers. Go at it at a comfortable speed, not too slow, not too fast. When working with such large yardage, the fabric will want to shift around, so speed is important. Take your time.



3. Apply Satin Binding. There is a short and a longer side. Make sure the shorter side is facing you. Then you're finished!

## Great Outdoors Baby Blanket

By: [Maureen Wilson from Made by Marzipan](#)

Learning how to make a baby blanket does not have to be restricted to cuddly, indoor ideas. Babies go everywhere with you and it stands to reason that you will need a blanket for all kinds of situations. The Great Outdoors Baby Blanket makes playing outside with baby a safe and fun activity. With vinyl backing, this blanket is sure to keep the baby dry even on damp grass. Plus, this DIY baby blanket includes instructions on how to add toys to the blanket, making it a fabulous way to keep baby busy, too!



### Materials:

- Vinyl flannel-backed tablecloth
- Fleece
- Ribbon
- Sew-on snaps
- Lighter
- Baby toys

### Instructions:

1. Turn your tablecloth into a square by cutting it in half, layering the pieces right sides together, and sewing a 1/2 inch seam to attach them.
2. If you are starting with a new tablecloth, there's no need for a center seam. You can make your blanket as large or as small as you'd like.
3. You'll need to cut 8 segments of ribbon that are about 14 inches long. You don't want to cut them too long, because then they could pose a strangulation hazard. Select ribbon that is one to two inches wide. Don't use wired ribbon, because that could work itself free and poke baby.

4. Now you need to pin the ribbon to the printed side of the tablecloth. Extend the ribbon slightly past the edge so you'll be able to see it when you're sewing. Add two ribbons to each side, spaced evenly.
5. Lay your tablecloth piece face up. Make sure all the ribbons are pointing inward towards the center.
6. Cut your fleece to the same size as your tablecloth piece, and then lay it on top. Pin together at the sides, making sure that the ribbons remain pointing toward the middle.
7. Sew the fabrics together with a half-inch seam. Whenever you come to a ribbon, backstitch for durability. Remember to leave a hole at least three inches wide for turning. Remove the pins.
8. Trim the corner of your fleece to match the tablecloth's corners. If your tablecloth came with straight corners, you can skip this step.
9. Turn the blanket right side out. Turn in the edges by the hole and pin shut. Sew shut with a quarter inch seam, and then continue topstitching all the way around to give the blanket a nice edge.
10. Pay attention to the ribbons as you sew. Make sure they are out of the way of your needle.
11. Remove the corner pins. Then use a lighter to carefully singe the ends of your ribbons to prevent fraying.
12. Finally, we'll add the snaps to the ribbon. You can use very small sew-on snaps, the kind you see on Barbie clothes. Fold down the top edge of the ribbon a half inch. Sew on one half of the snap. Be sure to sew it very securely!
13. Then sew on the other half of the snap, about 5 inches up from the blanket. This creates a large loop to attach toys.
14. Add the toys and you're finished. To clean, remove the toys and wash on the gentle cycle. Lay flat or hang to dry.



Watch the video for  
this tutorial.

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## Fuzzy Wuzzy Baby Blanket

By: [Cecilia Jorcin for FaveCrafts.com](#)

This itty bitty baby blanket pattern shows you how to make a lovey that your little one will absolutely adore. Made out of fleece that is perfect for cuddling, this precious bunny craft makes one of the best baby shower gifts you will come across. The Fuzzy Wuzzy Baby Blanket comes with a printable sewing pattern that makes constructing the bunny head for the project absurdly easy. Plus, with just a few tweaks, you could easily make a puppy or kitty cuddly baby blanket pattern instead.



### Materials:

- White and pink fleece, minky or felt
- Cotton or more fleece or minky for the blankie
- 2 black beads
- White and black thread
- Needle
- [Baby Blanket Pattern PDF](#) (click the link)

### Instructions:

1. Download the free pattern here, print it and cut the pieces. You will get:
  - 2 pieces for the head
  - 2 white pieces for the ears
  - 2 pink pieces for the ears
  - 2 muzzles (white)
  - 2 paw (white)
  - 1 nose (pink)
  - 2 10x10 inches of fleece/felt piece for the blankie (you can also make one of the pieces out of cotton like I did for this tutorial)

2. Take one white and one pink piece for the ears together, right sides facing, and sew along the curved edges, leaving the straight edge open. Turn the ears right side out.



3. Place the ears over the right side of one piece for the head, aligning the open edge of the ears to the top edge of the head. Stitch to attach the ears to the head. Lay the other piece of the head, right side down. Sew along the curved edge, leaving the straight edge open. Turn right side out.



4. Stuff the head with cotton and close the opening.



5. Take needle and thread (white) and make long stitches along the edges of the muzzles, stuff with cotton and close. Repeat this step to make the paws and nose.



6. Use your fingers to pinch about 1 cm in the middle of the head and sew from side to side (as shown in the picture below) to create the "orbit" of the eyes, you will sew the beads there.



7. Sew the nose in the middle of the face. Then sew the muzzles one next to each other right below the nose. Sew the beads in the eyes.



8. Wrap the black thread around the paw to make the fingers.
9. Sew the paws on the sides, under the head.



10. Use needle and black thread to make the whiskers.



11. Next, make the blankie by taking the fleece and cotton fabric together, right sides facing, and sew along the sides leaving a 2 inch opening. Turn the blankie right side out through the opening, sleep stitch to close it, and then top stitch along the edge (optional).



12. Finally sew the bunny to the blankie and it's done!

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## Baby Quilt Patterns

### Serene Log Cabin Baby Blanket

By: [Smitha Katti for Fiskars for FaveQuilts.com](#)

Learn how to quilt a baby blanket pattern that will add a relaxing and cuddly accent to any nursery with this Serene Log Cabin Baby Blanket. This adorable full tutorial on how to make a baby blanket combines one of the most popular quilt pattern types with relaxing, pastel hues to create a blanket that any little one would love to cuddle into while sleeping tight. This beginner quilting tutorial is made out of big blocks, making it a great project to start with no matter your skill level.



#### Materials:

- Cutting Mat (18" x 24")
- Coastal Colors Acrylic Ruler (6" x 24")
- Comfort Loop Rotary Cutter (45mm)
- Titanium Softgrip® Comfort Loop Rotary Cutter (45 mm)
- Micro-Tip® Scissors (No. 5)
- Razor-edge Softgrip® Scissors (8")
- Softgrip® Pinking Shears (8")
- Fabric

## Instructions:

### Fabric Selection:

1. The first step is to select your fabrics. There is such a wide variety of fabric choices these days, it is very easy to get overwhelmed by the selection. Consider settling on a print then pulling colors from its pattern to make your other fabric choices. Pastels make a great option for baby quilts.

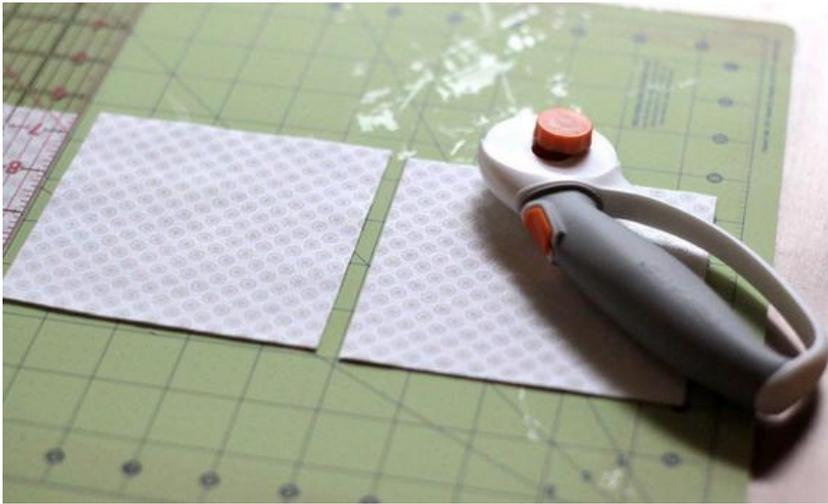


2. To begin, align your fabric to the grid on the self-healing cutting mat. Create four layers of folded fabric and use a 45mm Comfort Loop Rotary Cutter to first trim off the uneven edge.

### Block Pattern Instructions



3. The center square of each block measures 4 inches with a 4.5 inch seam allowance.



4. Here, I folded the fabric four times, and used the Titanium Softgrip® Comfort Loop Rotary Cutter (45 mm). It is very easy to cut a stack of fabric using the titanium rotary cutters and for the white fabric you will need a lot of such strips.

We all know the perfect gift for a newborn baby is a handmade quilt. Choose from any of these free boy, girl or gender-neutral patterns. You will be sure to find the perfect one!

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Borders Baby Rag Quilt



*Notes:*

For one 20 inch by 20 inch block you will need the following:



For one 20 inch by 20 inch block you will need the following:

- One 4.5 by 4.5 inch square in white fabric
- One 2.5 by 4.5 inch strip each from pink and green fabrics.
- One 2.5 by 8.5 inch strip each from pink and green fabrics.
- One 2.5 by 12.5 inch strip each from yellow and apple patterned fabrics.
- One 2.5 by 16.5 inch strip each from yellow and apple patterned fabrics.
- Two 2.5 by 8.5 inch strips, two 2.5 by 12.5 inch strips, two 2.5 inch by 16.5 inch strips, two 2.5 by 20.5 inch strips from white fabric.

You will need to make 4 such blocks. You can chose to make your blocks asymmetrical or make things simpler by making four identical blocks instead.

At this point you can arrange the strips and see if you like how your fabric colors look against each other. I rearranged them a bit and was ready to start sewing the quilt front.

1. Each block is started at the center with a 4.5 by 4.5 inch white square. Stitch the pink and green strips (which measure 2.5 by 4.5 inches) to this base square with their right side down.



2. Press the seams open with your finger (A bone folder works beautifully here!) and then you are ready to add the longer strips on either side (the pink and green strips that measure 2.5 by 8.5 inches).



3. Add the strips in a similar fashion, alternating with white and colored fabrics till you reach a 20 by 20 inch square.
4. Make four such blocks.



### Creating the Quilt Top:

5. Lay these blocks on a flat surface and arrange them till you achieve a pleasing pattern.



6. Join two of the blocks with right sides facing each other. Repeat this with the remaining two blocks. Press the seams open and then stitch these two together with right sides facing each other.
7. Now to add a border. Measure and cut two border strips to measure 4.5 by 40.5 inches and stitch them to the top and bottom of the quilt front. Press seams open. The quilt front is now all done.

### Finishing the Quilt:

8. Now we are ready to assemble the quilt. First the backing fabric goes down, with the right side down. My backing fabric measured about 45 by 55 inches, just to allow extra fabric on either side for the quilting process.
9. Add the batting layer now. Place the quilt top on top of the batting with the right side facing up.



10. Smooth out all the wrinkles and baste the layer from the center towards the outer edge. Make sure that the backing fabric is in place and is entirely covered by the quilt front.
11. Start with the machine quilting by “stitching in the ditch” or stitching along the seams of each of the strips.

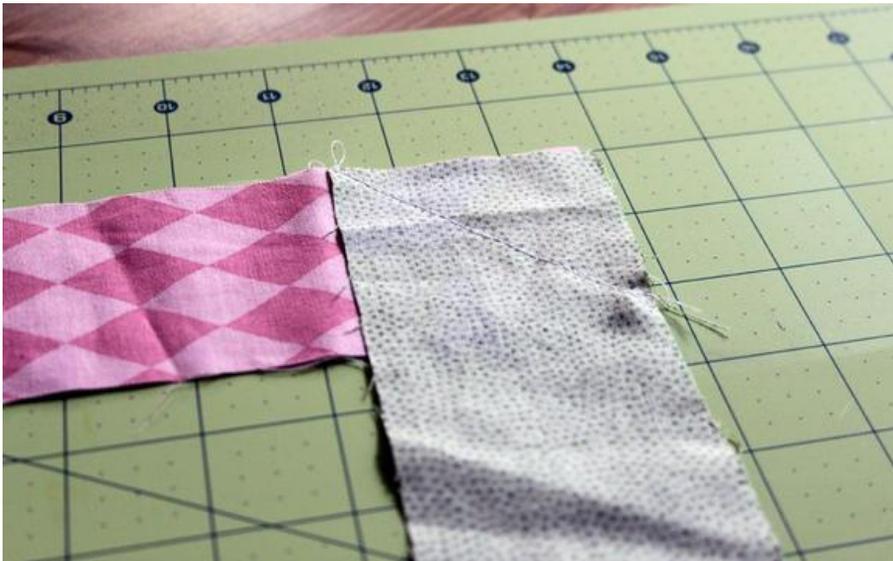


12. Next hand-stitch in the middle of each of my strips, adding an appliqué onto the center white square if you would like.
13. Trim the excess batting and backing fabric with a sharp pair of scissors.



14. Now move onto the binding. Use leftover strips cut for the quilt front (you will have plenty of these) and join these to form my binding strip.

15. Lay two strips at a right angle with their right sides facing each other and sew at a 45 degree angle as seen here:



16. Cut off the excess seam using the Softgrip Pinking shears. Pinking shears minimize the thread unraveling.



17. Press the seam open on the reverse side.

18. Create a binding strip long enough to go around your quilt plus about 10 inches extra. Fold this strip in half lengthwise and iron flat. Then stitch this onto the quilt with the raw edges matching up as seen here:



19. Miter the corner.

20. After the binding has been stitched onto the quilt completely, fold it onto the quilt back and hem into place.

21. You're finished!



## Lovey Dovey Baby Quilt

By: [Melissa Corry from Happy Quilting Melissa](#)

Baby quilt patterns make some of the best baby shower gifts to give. Not only do they allow you to give a baby blanket, but they come steeped in tradition. Any new mom would absolutely love to receive this precious Lovey Dovey Baby Quilt as a gift. Unlike other simple baby quilt patterns, this baby quilt is all design and it shows. While this quilt may take brand new quilters some extra time to make, it is entirely worth the effort. Stitch love into every appliqued heart with this free baby blanket pattern for girls.



### Materials:

- 1 X Large Hearts Solids Pre-Fused Laser-Cut Applique Shapes Pack
- 1 X Large Hearts Print Pre-Fused Laser-Cut Applique Shapes Pack
- 1 1/8 Yard of Background Fabric
- 5/8 Yard of Border Fabric
- 3/8 Yard of Binding Fabric



## Instructions:

### Cutting:

From your Background fabric cut:

- (23) 6 1/2" x 6 1/2" squares
- (4) 3 1/2" x 6 1/2" rectangles
- (4) 1 1/2" x Width of Fabric (42") Strips

From your Border Fabric cut:

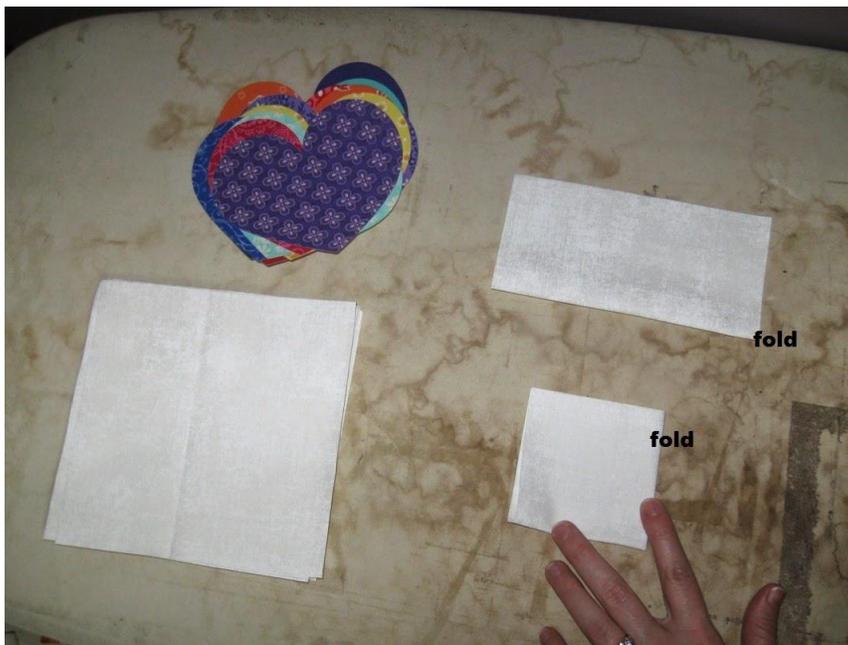
1. (4) 4 1/2" x Width of Fabric (42") Strips

Remove your Fusible Laser-Cut Shapes from their package. Select 1 of the Solid Hearts to be set aside as you will only need 23 for the project.

*Notes: If you do not have the Fusible Laser Cut Shapes available you could easily create your own fusible appliques.*

### Applique Squares:

1. We will start at the ironing board so gather your background squares and applique hearts. Fold your background square in half and finger press the fold. Fold it in half once again and finger press the fold. This will give you reference lines for centering your applique.



2. Remove the paper backing from your applique heart. It will peel right off.



3. Using the folds as guide lines, center the applique heart on your background square as shown below.



4. Press the Applique Heart in place adhering it to the background square. Be sure when pressing to use an up and down motion rather than a side to side motion so as not to shift the applique. Repeat for all 23 applique hearts.



5. Secure stitch all of your applique hearts in place. You can use a straight stitch, zig-zag stitch, blanket stitch, etc.



### Assembling the Quilt Top:

1. With all of your hearts stitched down, you are ready to sew your quilt top together. Lay out your appliqued squares and your background rectangles as shown below, using the rectangles to offset every other row. The example below alternates prints and solids, but you can lay out the hearts in any color order you like, just be sure to end up with the same square/rectangle layout as below.



2. And now, you are going to sew the squares into columns. To do this, simply place the first square in the first column onto the second with right sides together. No need for pins, just align as you go. Sew a 1/4" seam along the edge.



3. Place the third square onto the now sewn together first and second squares with right sides together. Sew a 1/4" seam along the edge.



4. Continue in this fashion, adding 1 square at a time to the column until you have sewn the entire column together. Press the seam allowances downward.



5. Now repeat this process for each of the columns in the quilt top. You are then ready to sew the columns into a quilt top.



- Place the second column onto the first with right sides together. Pin along the edge. There won't be any seams to line up, you are just keeping the columns together. Sew a 1/4" seam along the edge.



- Place the third column onto the now sewn together first and second columns with right sides together. Pin along the edge and then sew a 1/4" seam along the pinned edge. Continue this process until all of the columns have been sewn together. Press the seams to the side.



8. And now the center of your quilt top is all done. It should look a little something like this.



**Adding Borders:**

1. Grab your 1 1/2" x WOF background strips. We will add the top and bottom border first.



2. Place your strips onto the top and bottom of the quilt with right sides together. Sew a 1/4" seam along the edge. Once again, no need to use pins, just align as you go. Trim the excess background strip using the edge of the quilt as a guide. Press the seam allowance towards the background strip.



3. Add the side 1 1/2" x WOF background strips in the same fashion. Place the strips onto the sides of the quilt top with right sides together. Sew a 1/4" seams along the edge, aligning as you go, and then trim the excess strip.



4. And then just one more border to add. Add the 4 1/2" x WOF border strips onto the quilt top using the same method as above. Add the top and bottom strips first using a 1/4" seam allowance and pressing the seam towards the border strips.



5. Add the 2 side borders. Trim the excess strip and press the seam allowance towards the border strip.



6. And just like that your quilt top is done.



#### **Finishing the Quilt:**

1. Bind and back your quilt to your liking.

#### ***New to quilting?***

Check out these helpful tutorials on how to bind and finish a quilt from our sister site, [FaveQuilts.com](http://FaveQuilts.com).

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## All Star Baby Blanket Pattern

By: [Melissa Corry from Happy Quilting Melissa](#)

One of the most popular ways to learn how to make a baby blanket is using free baby quilt patterns. Baby quilts are a time-honored tradition. Plus, they are always extra sturdy and long-lasting blankets. Learn how to make a baby blanket for a little man with this All Star Baby Blanket Pattern. You will love using a combination of pretty patchwork and sports-themed appliques to put together the ultimate baby quilt pattern. This pattern is made out of a charm pack, but you could easily cut your own squares of fabric from scraps you already own.



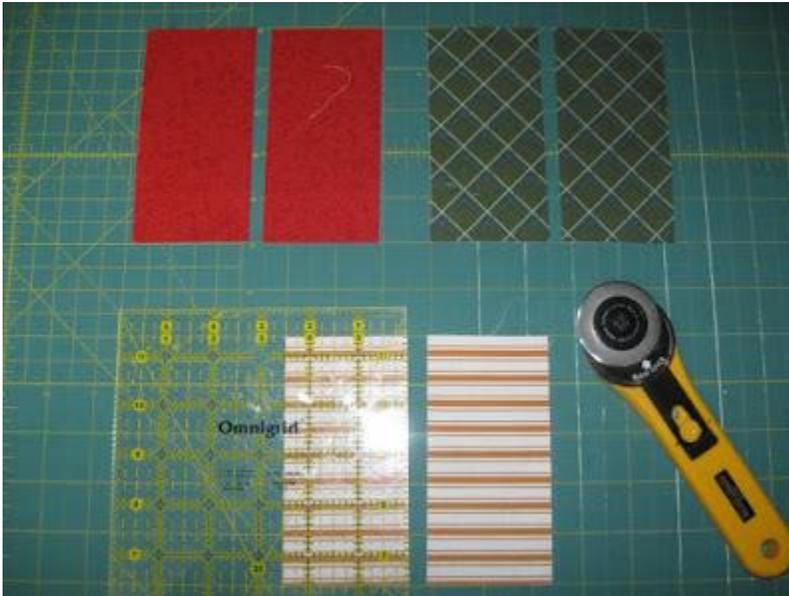
### Materials:

- 56 charm squares or 5" x 5" squares
- 1/2 yard of coordinating print for applique strip and binding
- 1 1/4 yard for backing



**Instructions:**

1. Start by selecting (3) 5" squares and cutting them in half as shown.



2. Lay out a row of charm squares 7 charms long and then place one of your half charms at the beginning and end of the row. Sew the row together. Place the first half charm onto the first charm in the row and sew a 1/4" seam.



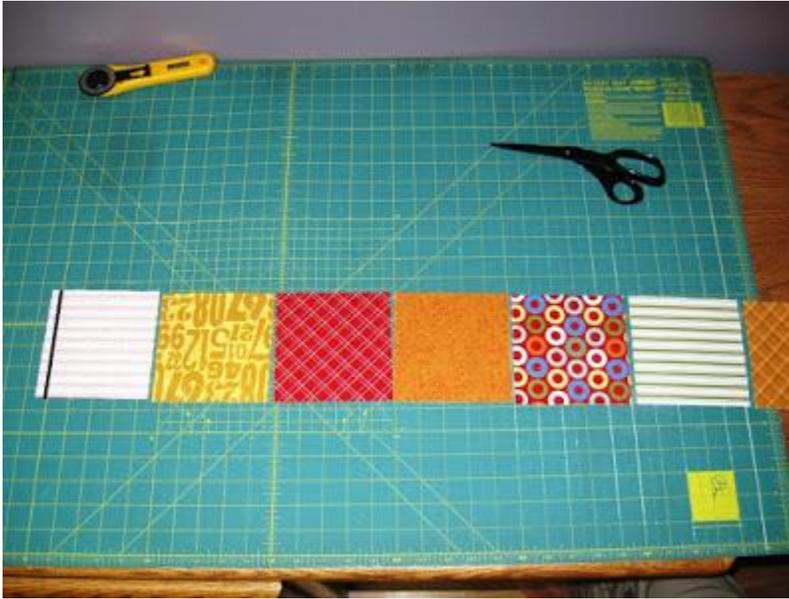
3. Continue repeating the process adding one charm at a time and sewing a 1/4" seam. No need to pin, just align as you go. When you are finished with the row, press all the seams to one side.



4. Repeat the process to make a total of 3 rows.



5. To make the alternate rows, simply lay out 8 charm squares in a row. Sew the row together using a 1/4" seam. If you are not worried about the order of the row, just sew groups of 2 charms together and then turn them into 4, and then 8. If you want a certain layout, sew the row together the same way you did the previous row adding one square at a time.



6. Repeat to make a total of 4 rows.



7. You now will have 7 rows. Lay them out as follows alternating the 2 different rows. Move the rows around until you have a layout that is pleasing to the eye.



8. Sew the rows together. I like to do this by sewing Row 1 and 2, Row 3 and 4, and Row 5 and 6. Sew a 1/4" seam along all the groupings. Press. Then sew Row 1/2 to Row 3/4 and Row 5/6 to Row 7. Lastly sew the 2 halves together.



*Note: When you go to sew the rows together, they will not line up perfectly because of the half blocks. Simply overlap the solid rows by 1/4" on each edge and then pin the row in place to sew. This will be trimmed to even it up.*



9. Now your rows are all sewn. Be sure to press all the seams nice and flat before trimming.



- Using your ruler, trim the sides of the quilt so they are even. You should be trimming about a 1/4" from every other row, but if you had a few that weren't quite even, you can trim those even, as well.



- Now with your square top, you are ready to add the applique row. From your applique strip yardage, cut a 6" x WOF strip. Align the strip along the bottom of your quilt top and trim it to the width of your quilt top.



- Add your desired applique to the quilt top.



13. Lay your applique strip along the bottom of your quilt with right sides together. Pin and sew a 1/4" along the pinned edge. Press towards the applique strip.



14. And your quilt top is done. Baste, bind, and finish to your liking.

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