# **Sweet Strip Throw**

Approximate Finished Size: 46-48" x 58" (depending on layout choice)

Cuddle<sup>®</sup> Sweet Strips packages make it easy to create a snuggly throw for your home or as a gift. And the envelope construction makes a clean edge with no need for binding!

#### Fabric Requirements (as shown)

- Luxe Cuddle® Sweet Strips Sterling
- 5 coordinated strips,  $10" \times 60"$  each
- 1½ yards Luxe Cuddle® Heather Fog, for backing

#### **Suggested Notions**

- 90/14 stretch machine needle
- Polyester thread
- Hand sewing needle
- Felt tip marker or ballpoint pin
- Rotary cutter and mat
- Craft knife
- Micro-serrated scissors
- Long, flower head pins
- Fabric clips
- Stiletto
- Point turner
- Walking foot



For more information on sewing with Cuddle\*, scan the QR code or go to: offers.shannonfabrics.com/beginner



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#### **DIRECTIONS**

Read Cuddle® Basics before beginning.

#### **Planning**

- 1. Choose from the arrangements shown below—or create your own layout.
- 2. Cut strips to the necessary widths.
- 3. Arrange strips with the nap all going in the same direction.

Tip: Taking a cell phone picture will help keep track of the placemat.

### Assembly

Create throw top

1. Starting at the left side, double pin the first strip to the second strip.

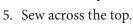


- 2. Sew with a ½" seam allowance.
- 3. Continue adding strips until the throw top is complete.
- 4. Trim top or bottom edge, if necessary.

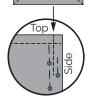
#### Add backing

For the following steps, check that the nap is going in the same direction for the throw and the backing.

- 1. Measure width and length of the throw top.
- 2. Cut backing to the same size.
- 3. Place the top and the backing right sides together.
- 4. Pin all four corners, then double pin across the top. Pin seam allowances open.



6. Double pin down the side. Sew, starting at the fabric edge and intersecting the first row of stitching.

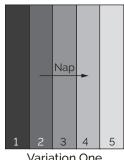


Backing

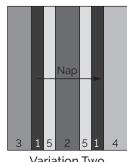
Wrong Side

Tip: Pin at the top and bottom edge, then pin at the halfway point. Pin halfway between these pins. Continue pinning at halfway points until complete.

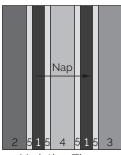




Variation One All strips 10" wide

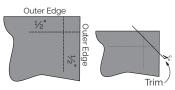


Variation Two
Colors 2, 3, 4 — 10" wide
Colors 1, 5 — 2 ® 5" wide



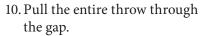
Variation Three
Colors 2, 3, 4 — 10" wide
Colors 1 — 2 ® 5" wide
Color 5 — 4 ® 2½" wide

- 7. In the same manner, pin and sew the side and bottom edges.
- 8. Trim corners, if desired.



9. Mark a 12" gap on the last side edge. Sew the side edge, making an "L" at the marks for the gap.

Note: The "L" pivot at the gap secures the seam ends when you turn the throw right side out. It also helps the seam allowance turn in at the gap.



11. Push out the corners with a point turner.

12. Pin the turning gap closed. Hand sew using a ladder stitch.



Ladder stitch: Using polyester thread and a hand-sewing needle, catch one side of the opening, then the other. Pull to tighten every few stitches.

13. Topstitch from 1"– 3" from the edges, if desired. Use a stiletto to pull the fibers from the seams.

# Want a bigger throw?

It's easy!

- Add more strips (in any combination of widths).
- Adjust the size of your backing to match the new dimensions.
- Everything else is the same.

That's it!

## Cuddle® Basics

- Mark measurements on wrong side of Cuddle<sup>®</sup> with a felt tip marker or ballpoint pen.
- Cut Cuddle® with a rotary cutter or micro-serrated scissors.
- Shake cut pieces or put in a no-heat dryer with a damp washcloth for a few minutes to remove loose fibers.
- 4. Sew with polyester thread in the top and the bobbin.
- 5. Reduce presser foot pressure when sewing multiple layers.

- 1. Mark measurements on wrong side  $\,$  6. Increase stitch length to 3–4 mm.
  - Double pin by using 2 rows of pins the first row every 1½" along the seam line and the second row 1" to the left and parallel to cut the edge.
  - 8. Backstitch at the beginning and end of each seam.
  - Seam allowances are ½" unless otherwise noted.
  - 10. Use a even-feed or walking foot, if possible. It makes a difference!

