Cuddle[®] Baby Blanket

Approximate Finished Size: 29" x 29" Makes 2 blankets

Surround the babies you love with all the softness they deserve. With the fun color and print options and easy construction, this may become your go-to baby gift for years to come!

Fabric Requirements, (as shown)

- 1 yard Jungle Friends Digital Cuddle® Dusty Blue, Blanket Top
- 1 yard Luxe Cuddle® Hide Baby Blue, Blanket Bottom

Suggested Notions

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

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



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GENERAL DIRECTIONS

- Read Cuddle® Basics before beginning.
- All seam allowances are ½".



Cutting

- 1. From both Blanket Top and Blanket Bottom fabrics, cut:
 - 1 (30" x 30") square.

Note: If desired, cut an extra set of *30" squares for a second blanket.*

Round the corners

Note: If you prefer square corners on your blanket, skip this step and go directly to Assembly.

- 1. At each corner, use a saucer to mark rounded corners.
- SAUCE

Pin on folds

(wrong

side)

2. Cut the corners.

Assembly

Align the top and bottom

1. On each square, note the direction of the nap. Place a pin or a fabric clip to indicate each top edge.

Fold

- 2. Fold each square in half, then in half again.
- 3. Place a pin at each fold.

- 4. With right sides together and naps going in the same direction, smooth out the squares.
- 5. Align the center pins on all four sides. Pin the Top to the Bottom at each center pin mark.
- 6. Pin the top edges together by first pinning at the center, then each corner. Starting from the center pin and working toward Double Pin each corner, double pin across the top edge. *Note: The more pins*

used, the easier it is to sew smoothly. Time invested in pinning reduces frustration when stitching these long seams.

- 7. Starting 1" below the edge, sew the top seam, following the corner curve at the beginning and end.
- -Start stitching here 8. In the same 1—Top 2—Left Side 3—Right Side L-Pivots the seam. 4 - Bottom / 4 - Bottom 9. Sew the left

side seam from top to bottom, backstitching as before.

10. In the same manner, pin and sew the right side.

- 11. On the wrong side Staystitches of each bottom 6" Gap edge, mark a 6" gap for turning.
- 12. Staystitch between the marks on both the top and bottom.
- 13. Sew the bottom L-Pivots edge, leaving the 6" gap open. Sew L-Pivots at the gap.

Note: The L-Pivot secures the seam ends when the blanket is turned and also helps the seam allowance turn in for hand sewing.

Finishing

1. Turn right side out. Push out and smooth the corners with a point turner.

Cuddle[®] Basics

- 1. Seam allowances are $\frac{1}{2}$
- 2. Mark measurements on reverse side of fabric with a felt tip marker or ballpoint pen.
- 3. Cut with a rotary cutter, craft knife, or micro-serrated scissors.
- 4. Shake cut pieces or put in a no-heat dryer with a damp wash cloth for a few minutes to remove loose fibers.
- 5. Sew with polyester thread in the top and the bobbin.
- 6. Reduce presser foot pressure when sewing multiple layers.

2. Pin the turning gap closed. Hand stitch with 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.

- 3. Pin layers together approximately 3" from the side, parallel to the edge.
- 4. Topstitch with either a straight or serpentine stitch, $\frac{1}{2}$ "-2" from the edge.



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5. Use a stiletto to pull the fibers from the seams to create a finished look on the edge.

7. Increase stitch length to 3–4 mm.

- 8. Double pin by using 2 rows of pinsthe first row every $1\frac{1}{2}$ " along the seam line and a second row 1" to the left and parallel to the cut edge.
- 9. Backstitch at beginning and end of seams.
- 10. Use an even-feed or walking foot, if possible. It makes a difference!

