

Warm Hearts Blanket Bee ***No-Sew Fleece Blanket Instructions***

Materials needed:

- Blankets are made with two pieces of fleece that are the same size. They can be patterned fleece, plain fleece, or a combination of both. Fabric needs to be *at least* 40 inches or wider (most are sold at 60 inches)
The following measurements are recommended sizes for *one* piece of fleece:
 - Baby/Toddler – 1½ -2 yards
 - Child – 2 yards
 - Teen/Adult – 2½ yards
- Scissors (sharp)
- Tape measure or ruler
- One 4" x 4" or 5" x 5" piece of paper

Instructions:

1. Take your two pieces of fleece. Put one piece on top of the other, lining up the edges so they are even (one side will be the front and the other side will be the back of your blanket).
2. Trim off any selvage around the edges of your fleece (try not to cut in more than 2 inches) *Remember you need to try to cut straight, but it doesn't have to be.
3. Take your piece of 4"x4" or 5"x5" paper. Lay it on the corner of your blanket. Then cut out the corner through both layers. Proceed to do this on all four corners.
4. Now you are ready to cut your fringes. Cut 4 inches into both fleeces at 1" wide. It is easier to lay a tape measure across from the corner of the cut out corner to the other.
5. Your fringes don't need to be 1" exactly, just try to keep them the same size. (You don't want to have one fringe 1" and the next one 2"). It is easier to cut through both pieces of fleece at the same time so they match each other.
6. Proceed to cut 1" intervals on all four sides.
7. Starting on one side, tie double knots using one fringe from each piece of fleece. Tie these knots on every other fringe around the entire blanket.
8. Then flip the whole blanket over and tie the remaining knots until your blanket is complete. (This helps your knotted ends look perfect)
9. Make sure you double knot them. This helps them from coming untied, especially in the wash.
10. Fold the blanket and bring it to the TrueNorth Service Center to donate. Thank you for your generosity!