

SELF BINDING RECEIVING BLANKET

To accompany Jenny Doan of Missouri Star YouTube tutorial

- 1. Cut two pieces of prewashed and dried flannel fabric of coordinating colors. The top should be 30" square and the back/binding piece should be 40" square.**
- 2. Place a straight pin at the center of each side of both squares (or mark these places with a pencil).**
- 3. Place pieces right sides together and join them where you have placed the centered pins.**
- 4. Place a second pin on one side to leave an open space for future turning inside out (about 3 inches from the center). Using a quarter inch seam, begin sewing that side from the pin until you get ¼ inch from the end of the top piece, backstitch and cut the threads.**
- 5. Continue on each side stitching from the center (top side up) to the ¼ inch edge of the top piece. This will result in the bunny ears where the back has extra fabric that will create the mitred corners.**
- 6. After all sides are stitched, line up the cut edges of each corner so that the ¼" places where you stopped previous stitching are together and the folded edge is below. Place a ruler on top of the excess fabric lined up with the fold and extending to the end of the stitching. Draw a line with a pencil. This will be your stitching line.**
- 7. Stitch on the line. You will be cutting off the excess fabric, but check to make sure the miters are correct by turning the blanket right side out. When certain it is right, turn it to the wrong side and cut off excess fabric.**
- 8. Turn the blanket right side out making sure the corners are pointed.**
- 9. Smooth the blanket and take it to the ironing board and press.**
- 10. Top stitch with a decorative stitch that can go across both parts of the seam being sure to close up the opening left for turning.**

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