

Successful Blanket Making for Project Linus

!! IMPORTANT !!

#1 Rule: Cut off the selvage before starting your project.

1. Cut OFF the *selvage* before cutting your fringe. Selvage appears on two sides of the fleece and contains edges with about 1 inch of writing, pin holes, and curly fabric. CUT IT OFF!



2. Square up (trim) uneven edges, so the blanket is straight on all sides.



3. Cut a 4-inch (or 5-inch) square from each corner. (Size depends on type of blanket.) See "Three Blanket Choices" on the back of this sheet.



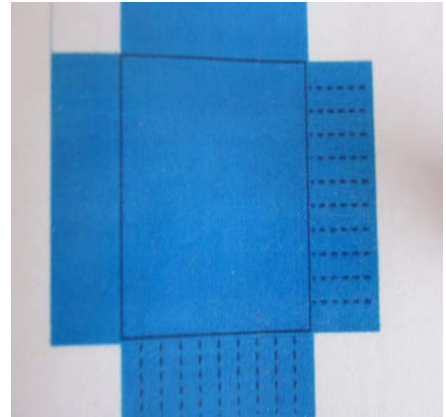
4. Cut fringe at least 4 inches long and $\frac{3}{4}$ to 1 inch wide for knotted fringe or 1 to 1½ inches wide for slitted fringe. Cutting it too short or too wide makes tying the knots more difficult.



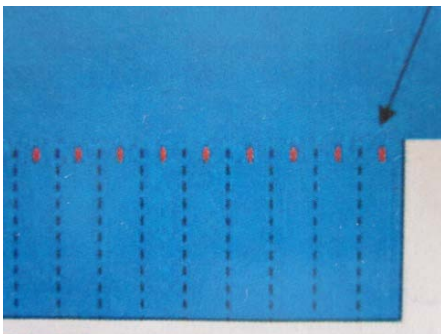
5. For a double-sided blanket, cut through both pieces of fabric at the same time so that each fringe has a corresponding fringe to be tied with.



6. Your fleece should now look a bit like this:

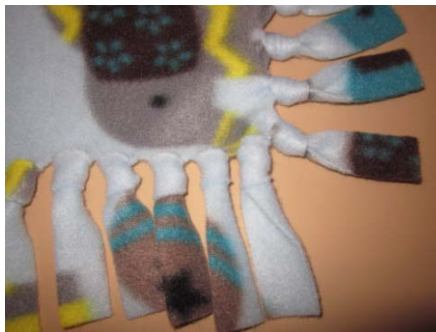


7. For **Slit & Loop** blanket, Make a *small* slit at top of each fringe. Pull the fringe through each slit.



8A. Otherwise, knot the fringe according to one of the choices on the back of this sheet using the deluxe or classic knot.

Deluxe Knot:



8B.

Classic Square Knot (easiest knot):



Three Blanket Choices

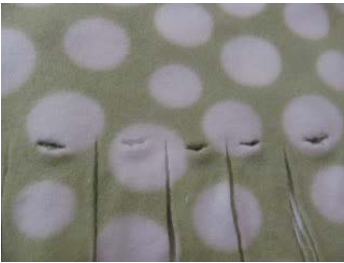
A. Slit & Loop (no knots)

Fold the fringe at the top and cut a *small* slit in the middle of each fold. For Single or Double, cut 4" fringe.

TIP: Fringe 1 to 1½ inches *wide* works best.



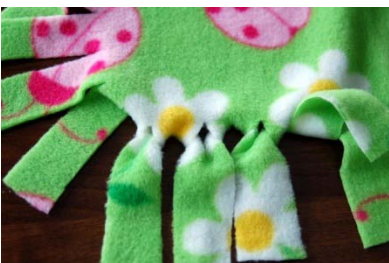
A.1 Finished single-layer blanket.



A.2 Cut a *small* slit at top of each fringe.



A.3 Feed fringe through slit & pull down.



A.4 Finished product

B. Deluxe Knot

Tie this knot with both pieces of fringe (top & bottom) together. Single: 4" fringe; Double: 5" fringe.

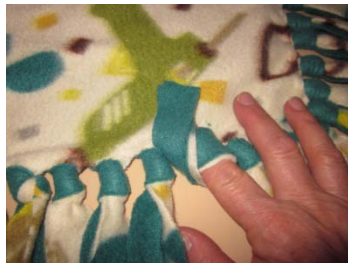
TIP: Fringe ¾ to 1 inch *wide* works best.



B.1 Finished double-layer blanket.



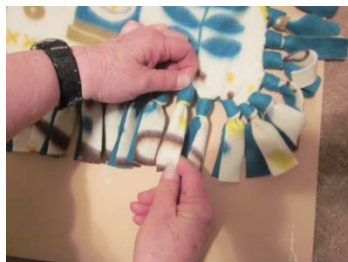
B.2 Loop fringe around finger.



B.3 Then pull it up to top of loop...



B.4 ...and down through the loop where your finger was.



B.5 Hold fringe from the top with one hand as you pull bottom of fringe with your other hand.

C. Classic Square Knot (easiest)

Tie two knots with each piece (top & bottom) of fringe.

For Double layer, cut 4" fringe.

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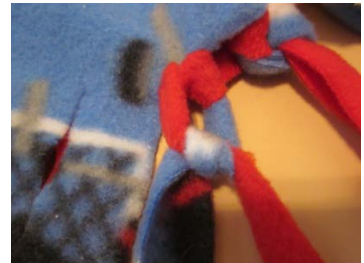
C.1 Finished double-layer blanket.



C.2 Tie the first knot.



C.3 Snug it up to the top of fringe.



C.4 Tie second knot.



C.5 Snug it up to the first knot.