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# Baby Blanket

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This double-sided, soft flannel receiving blanket is extra large so it can be used for older babies as well as newborns. It makes a great “blankie” for car seats and strollers, too.

*Finished size: Approximately 38”-40” square*

## Supplies

### Machine & Accessories

- BERNINA 4/3/2 Thread Serger with the following settings:  
Wide 3-thread balanced stitch:  
Left Needle Tension: 4-5  
Upper Loper Tension: 4-5  
Lower Loper Tension: 4-5  
Cutting Width: 2  
Differential Feed: N  
Stitch Length: 1-1 $\frac{3}{4}$  as desired

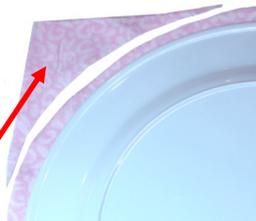
### Fabric & Notions

- 3 yards of flannel (all the same or two coordinating fabrics, 1 $\frac{1}{2}$  yards each)
- 3 spools or cones of polyester embroidery thread in a matching or coordinating color

### Cutting and Preparation

Prewash and dry the flannel fabric, and then trim the selvages. Cut two square pieces, using the width of the fabric as the length of each side (this will be about 39” - 42”, depending on the amount of shrinkage that occurred in the prewashing).

Using a plate or saucer, round the corners. *Tip: To make the rounded corners uniform, trim one corner (both layers) and use the trimmed portion as a template for the remaining three corners.*



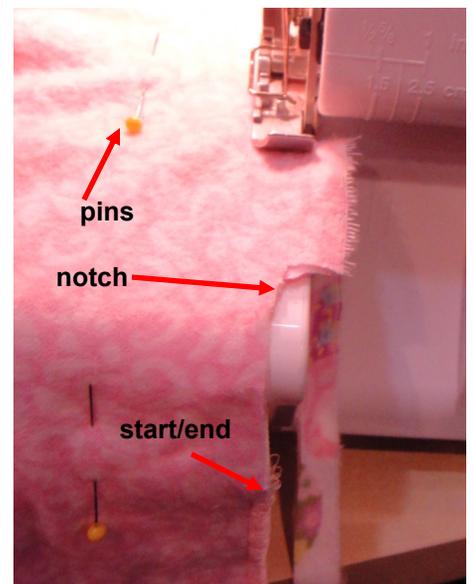
### Construction

Place the fabric squares, wrong sides together. Pin the layers together, about 2” in from the edge with the pins placed vertically.

Cut a notch into the edge, about 6” up from one corner; this will be the starting and ending point. The notch should be about  $\frac{1}{4}$ ” x 4”.

Position the notch under the needle with the cut edge next to the knife. Begin serging, trimming  $\frac{1}{4}$ ” from all edges. Serge around the outside edge until you come back to the notch, overlapping the edging by a few stitches.

Stop with the needle in the fabric; lift the foot and angle off the edge. Add seam sealant and trim the thread tails after the sealant dries.



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