

## Infant Blankets



These blankets can be made very plain or as fancy as you like by adding ribbon, embroidery, applique or maybe a crocheted trim around the edges. The instructions include a triangle corner to put around the baby's head but can be omitted if desired.

These handy blankets can be used in various sizes:

24" x 24" – good size for full term baby

18" x 18"

15" x 15"

12" x 12"

8" x 8" and 6" x 6" are used for very early losses

Sizes 12" to 24" can be made with fine toweling, or with fine toweling/cotton to make them reversible.

Sizes 6" and 8" can be made similar or with cotton/satin, and lace added if wished. Please only use pale colors for these sizes.

### Instructions

Cut out two squares of suitable fabric (fine toweling, flannelette, etc.) Cut two further squares approx.  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the size.

Fold the small square in  $\frac{1}{2}$  to form a triangle. Right sides facing, stitch down the long side. Turn right side out and lock stitch.

Take the larger squares. Put 1st square down, with right side facing. Put triangle into corner, corners matching. Place other square on top, right side facing down.

Pin if you wish.

Starting at the bottom edge, stitch all the way round, leaving a gap of 3" to 5" depending on which size you are making.

Turn the blanket to the right side, by pulling through the gap.

Top stitch, close to the edge, all the way round, turning in the material to hide the gap. Use lock stitch, zigzag or fancy stitch.

### Things to remember:

Keep everything as smooth as possible, stitching, edges, material etc.

Babies have very tender skin, especially the tiniest babies.

Neutral colors are always best as the suit baby boys or girls.