# **Double-sided Baby Blanket**

#### Supplies:

- 1½- 2 yards flannel (1½ for blanket, ½ for bag, optional)
- 1½- 2 yards coordinating flannel (1½ for blanket, ½ for bag, optional)

(I use 1½ yards for the blanket and the other half yard to make gift bags to use to wrap the blanket as a present. You only need the extra half yard of one of the fabrics for the directions below.)

- Approximately 36 inches grosgrain ribbon or whatever ribbon/rope/twine to secure the bag

#### Directions:

- (1) Wash flannel (use baby soap or unscented laundry soap) to ensure it won't run or shrink once it is made.
- (2) Cut to 1½ yards each if you got extra for the bag.
- (3) Place right sides of flannel fabrics together and sew along the shorter ends (cut edges) to make a fabric tube.
- (4) Rotate tube to offset so seams at the ends are approximately 5-8 inches offset from the end. Smooth flat.
- (5) Sew one open side leaving about a 5-inch opening through which you will turn the blanket. Be sure to tack (lock your stitches) before and after the opening.
- (6) Sew the other remaining side completely closed.
- (7) Turn the blanket through the opening.
- (8) Topstitch around the edges about a quarter inch from the edge being sure to close the opening. You are done with the blanket.







## **Optional carrying bag**

## Supplies:

18 inches (approximately) by WOF flannel Grosgrain ribbon about 36 inches long

### Directions:

- (1) Along each the 18-inch sides, single fold back about 1½ to 2 inches so raw sides touch. Sew along that folded edge so the 18-inch ends no longer have a raw edge.
- (2) Fold the flannel in half right sides together so the 18 inch sides (no longer raw edges) are at the top
- (3) Tuck the ribbon folded in half about 3-5 inches down from the top inserted into one side so that the loose ends of the folded ribbon are on the inside of the folded fabric and the folded ribbon sticks out a little bit, so you catch it in the side seam. Sew down the side seam being sure to sew back and forth over the ribbon to anchor it securely in the side seam.
- (4) Sew the other side and turn the bag out.

Note: if you have a half yard extra of both flannel fabrics, you can make two bags or use one fabric on each side of the bag you make.

Enjoy gifting the baby blanket in the flannel bag they can use for carrying other baby stuff.

