

NO SEW FLEECE BLANKET

YOU WILL NEED:

Polar Fleece: 1 1/2 yd piece or choose your own size. (Fleece is usually 50-60" wide)

Ruler and rotary cutter works best to create neatly cut fringe. If you are using scissors, make sure your cuts are clean, even and straight, with no frayed edges.

THE BLANKET IS MADE IN FIVE EASY STEPS:

Step 1: Before you begin, trim off selvage edges and square uneven edges as needed.

Step 2: Cut a four-inch square from each corner of the fleece. (Cut a 4" piece of fabric, batting, or cardboard to use as your corner template. Place it exactly in one corner, aligning with the edges of the fabric. Trace along the one vertical and one horizontal side of the square that lie on the fabric. Using your ruler and rotary cutter, carefully cut vertically and horizontally ALMOST to the where the two lines meet. Use scissors to carefully finish the corner; remove the 4" square of fleece and discard. Repeat for all corners.

Step 3: The fleece now looks sort of like a Red Cross symbol (with 4-inch "arms"). The four "arms" will become fringe; the center of the cross is the blanket. Cut the 4" wide "arms" every 1", resulting in 4"x1" fringe around the blanket. (You may find it helpful to mark the "arms with masking tape to keep your fringe exactly 4" deep.

Step 4: Using a seam ripper (or scissors), carefully make a tiny slit in the top of each piece of fringe (that is, where the blanket ends and the fringe begins).

Step 5: Feed the end of each strip of fringe through the back side of the slit you cut, and pull through to create a neat and secure fringed edge.

