



Soldiers' Angels No-Sew Blanket Instructions

Soldiers' Angels provides aid and comfort to the men and women of the United States Army, Marines, Navy, Air Force, Coast Guard, their families and a growing veteran population.

Soldiers' Angels is one of the few national non-profit organizations approved to work within the VA Healthcare System to support veterans who are hospitalized or receiving out-patient or rehabilitative services. While many organizations are only focusing on Post 9/11 veterans, Soldiers' Angels supports veterans of all generations.

One of our greatest needs to serve veterans is blankets. Blankets are provided to veterans who are hospitalized or in wheelchairs as a way of saying 'thank you' for their gallant service to our country. We are asking the American public to help us keep our veterans warm by making a no-sew blanket to share. This is a great project for church groups, sewing clubs, scout troops, businesses and individuals who want to share their appreciation to our veterans.

Fleece 'no-sew' or 'tie' blankets are very easy to make and fun to do. Many of the large fabric companies have great fleece material with military themes, sports themes, patriotic themes, plaid and various colors. Use your imagination on making a wonderful blanket for a veteran.

Soldiers' Angels is collecting no-sew blankets in two sizes – one for twin-bed and one for laps (for wheelchair veterans or babies of deployed service members).

Help Us, Help Them by making a blanket to share!

"If it had not been for your support, I would have nothing. I know that a blanket may not seem like much, but it has made a lot of difference. You will never know how much you helped me."

Easy step-by-step instructions:

Materials Needed:

Scissors, Tape (masking tape or painter's tape), Yard Stick, 2 Yards of Ribbon

Hospital Size Blanket (Twin Size)

2 Yards of Top Fabric, 2 Yards of Bottom Fabric, 6-inch Square Template
Suggestion: Top Fabric – design pattern; Bottom Fabric – solid color

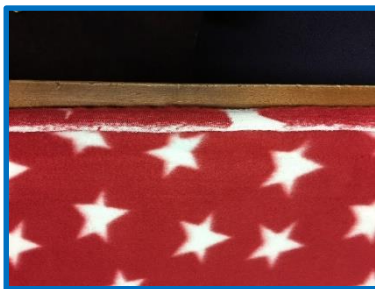
Lap Size Blankets or Baby Blankets

1 Yard of Top Fabric, 1 Yard of Bottom Fabric, 4-inch Square Template
Suggestion: Top Fabric – design pattern; Bottom Fabric – solid color

STEP 1: Place top and bottom pieces of fabric together with right sides facing out.



STEP 2: Trim the selvage (edge) on both pieces of fabric simultaneously.



STEP 3: Cut corners out using the square template. Do this on all four corners.

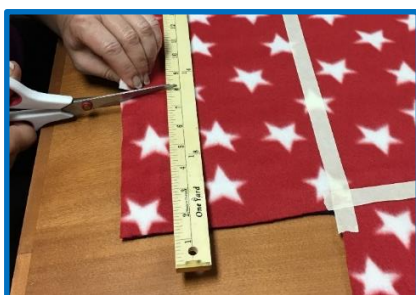
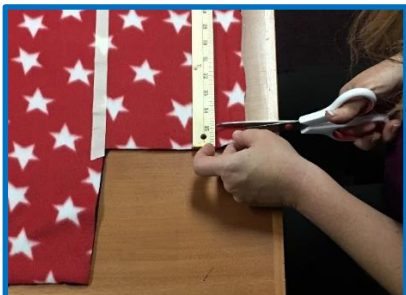
1. Use 6-inch square template for hospital-size twin blankets.
2. Use 4-inch square template for lap-size blankets or baby blankets.



STEP 4: Using the masking or painter's tape, tape from one cut-out corner to another all the way around the blanket.



STEP 5: Cut fringe 1-inch apart all the way to the tape.



STEP 6: Tie the two layer fringes together on all sides of the blanket. Gently stretch out the blanket so that the knots lay flat.



STEP 8: Fold blanket and tie with ribbon. Attach a thank you note (optional) to our veterans. You now have a finished product that will bring warmth and smiles to our veterans who have sacrificed so much for our freedom.



For information about these instructions or where to send your blanket, please email info@soldiersangels.org. We truly appreciate your support!

"I got shot in the foot and I got your blanket while hospitalized ... I do not mind going back to my unit knowing I am fighting for people like you!"