

No Sew Fleece Blanket Tied Fringe

You will need:

1. Anti-Pill fleece: 1 ½ yards, or 2 yards for larger teens. Do not buy the flimsy or lined or sweatshirt fleece. (fleece is usually 50-60 inches wide)
2. Masking tape, Scissors, Ruler or Shape Cut Ruler or 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.

Steps:

1. **VERY IMPORTANT!** Before you begin, trim off **BOTH** selvage edges and square uneven edges as needed.
2. Cut 4.5 inch square from each corner. This allows fringe to lay flat around corners. (NOTE: If your group is a youth group, you may opt to only fringe two sides of the blanket. In that case, you do not need to cut out the corners.)
3. Use inexpensive masking tape (expensive tape tends to pull pile from fabric when removed). Mark off a straight line across the width of the blanket 4.5 inches from the edge. (Use several rulers or a pre-cut pattern to ensure your line is straight.)
4. Cut 1 inch wide (no more, no less) strips from the edge up to the masking tape. **TIP:** Use a ruler and scissors to make small snips along the blanket edge at 1 inch intervals. Once done, go back and cut every 4th strip along edge, then every 2, then every 1 in between. This helps keep the strips even and straight.
5. Tie **SINGLE** knots close to the edge of the blanket. Ensure all the knots are consistent and not too tight. If the knots are too tight, they will cause the blanket edge to curl. If necessary when done, gently pull fringe to ensure it lays flat.
6. Remove masking tape.
7. Repeat this process on the other 3 (three) edges of the blanket.
8. Remember never leave any pins, staples, buttons, etc., on in/on the blanket as they could hurt or choke a child.
9. Turn your blanket in to your local Project Linus Chapter Coordinator, or take it to one of our drop off locations listed on our web site. We will wash it, label it and distribute it to a deserving child in our community.
10. **Thank you.** Know that your blanket is a handmade hug for someone special who needs it.