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Approximate Finished Sizes:

Blanket: 29" x 41" Soft Book: 10" x 10" Quilt: 36" x 36"

Fabric Requirements (Blanket)

30" x 42" SMD Woodland Pals Digital Cuddle® Snow

30" x 42" Luxe Cuddle® Red Fox Amber/Taupe

1/4 yd. Luxe Cuddle® Hide Chocolate

Fabric Requirements (Soft Book)

1 panel SMD Critter Count Digital Cuddle® Honeydew

Fabric Requirements (Quilt)

1 panel SMD Critter Count Digital Cuddle® Honeydew

1 5/8 yds. Luxe Cuddle® Heather Moonbeam

1/4 yd. Luxe Cuddle® Heather Shadow

Suggested Notions:

Thin polyester batting or flannel (soft book and quilt)

Crinkle material (soft book, optional)

Coordinating thread

Stretch 90/14 machine needle

Walking foot

Rotary cutter and mat

Scissors

Long flower-head pins

Fabric clips

Basting spray

Raccoon pattern by Simplicity. Fox pattern by Funky Friends Factory.

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Cuddle® blanket and book kit
plus bonus book panel quilt



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Sew Simple Blanket

Approximate Finished Size: 29" x 41"

Cutting Instructions:

Cut two 30" x 42" rectangles of coordinating Cuddle® fabrics
Cut two 1-3/4" x WOF strips of coordinating Luxe Cuddle® fabric

Tip: Lay your fabric out flat and draw the entire rectangle with a ballpoint pen, then cut with scissors or rotary cutter. This will make it easier to cut the fabric to the correct size/shape.

Assembly Instructions:

1. Lay one side on table, wrong side up. Lay other side on top of it, wrong sides together and matching raw edges.
2. Pin along edges and baste with a 4-5mm stitch around the entire blanket, using a 1/4" seam allowance OR use basting spray to adhere the wrong sides together instead.
3. Sew 1 3/4" strips of Luxe Cuddle® together with a diagonal seam, backstitching at both ends. Trim seam allowance to 1/2".

4. Sew the binding to the back, starting halfway down one side, leaving a 6-8" tail. Use a 1/2" seam allowance.

5. Stop 1/2" from corner, needle down, lift presser foot and turn quilt to sew off the corner at a 45-degree angle (Figure 1). Clip threads.

6. Fold binding to create a mitered corner (Fig. 2). Sew from top outside edge down, continuing around the blanket and repeating the miter at each corner.

Figure 1

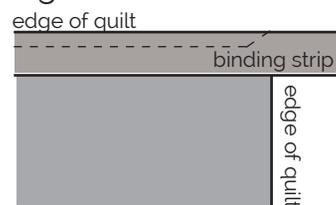
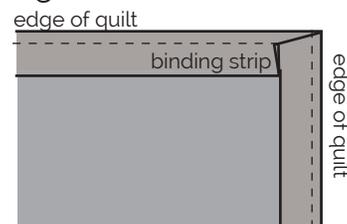


Figure 2

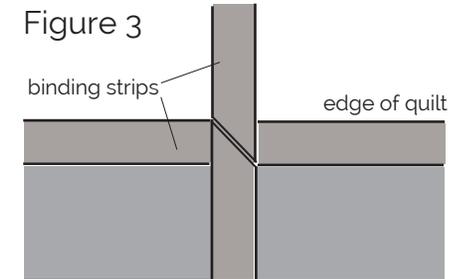


7. Stop about 8" from starting point.

8. Join tails using your favorite method or try ours:

- a. Lay binding tails flat on quilt, folding at 45-degree angles where the two meet (Fig. 3). Mark where angles meet.
- b. Sew along this line from top left corner to bottom right corner. Trim excess.

Figure 3



9. Lay binding along edge and stitch in place with a 1/2" seam allowance.

10. Flip blanket over and fold the binding so it fits tightly against the edge, matching raw edge of binding to stitching line. Hold in place with pins or fabric clips.

11. Top stitch from front of blanket, using a wide zig zag or serpentine stitch. Leave raw edge exposed, sewing so the needle comes down just left of the raw edge.

12. Use a stiletto to fluff the fibers out of topstitching to give a softer finish.

Watch our video tutorials at youtube.com/ShannonFabrics and find more tips on working with Cuddle® fabrics, at www.shannonfabrics.com.

Soft Cuddle® Book

Approximate Finished Size: 10" x 10"

Cutting Instructions:

Cut all blocks along printing edge:

- cover and page 1|10 are 11 1/2" x 23"
- inner pages are 10" x 20"

If using batting/flannel, cut one 12" x 24" and two 10 1/2" x 21"

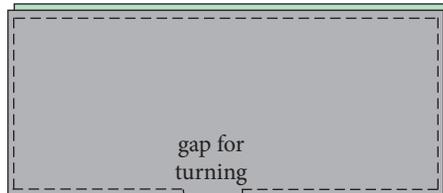
If making handles, cut one 3 1/2" x 15" pieces of Cuddle®

Assembly instructions:

1. If using batting or flannel, spray baste to the wrong side of the front cover, pages 1|8 and 3|6. Trim to fit..

2. Quilt each page, if desired. (If making handles, insert now.)

3. Pin cover and 1|10 page right sides together. Mark a 3" gap for turning.* Using a 1/2" seam allowance, stitch around entire rectangle, except for the gap previously marked.



4. Trim corners and turn. Hand-stitch opening closed.

5. Repeat, sewing pages 9|2 and 3|8 together. Sew pages 7|4 and 5|6 together in the same manner.

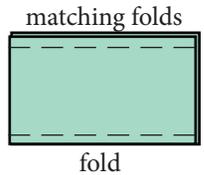
6. Topstitch all pages with a 1/4" seam allowance, if desired.

7. Lay pages with covers facing down, then stack pages 3|8 face down, then 4|7 face down (Pages 5|6 will be face up in center.) Clip in place.

8. Measure to find the center and mark with pins, then stitch in place. Sew down center twice to secure well.

Adding Handles:

1. Fold each 3 1/2" x 15" piece in half lengthwise, then fold raw edges to middle fold. Clip in place.



2. Topstitch each edge of handle pieces. Cut in half to make two 7 1/2" long handles. Zig zag raw edges at ends to reduce bulk.

3. Find the center of the sides of the covers. Measure 2" from center on either side and mark. Pin handle ends at each mark, matching raw edges. Handles will lay on cover pages.

4. Sew in place with a 3/8" seam allowance. Continue with step 3 in assembly instructions.

★ Try this!

Make your book more interesting by adding crinkle material to each page. Babies love the noise it makes!

Add a 2-3" strip of crinkle material down each outside edge of the page, sewing into place in step 3.

For more information on sewing with Cuddle® fabric, visit www.youtube.com/ShannonFabrics

Building Blocks Quilt

Approximate Finished Size: 36" x 36"

Cutting Instructions:

SMD Critter Count Digital Cuddle® Panel Honeydew:

Cut each 1-9 blocks 9 1/2" x 9 1/2"

Luxe Cuddle® Heather Shadow:

Cut three 1 3/4" x WOF strips (binding)

Luxe Cuddle® Heather Moonbeam (see cutting diagram below):

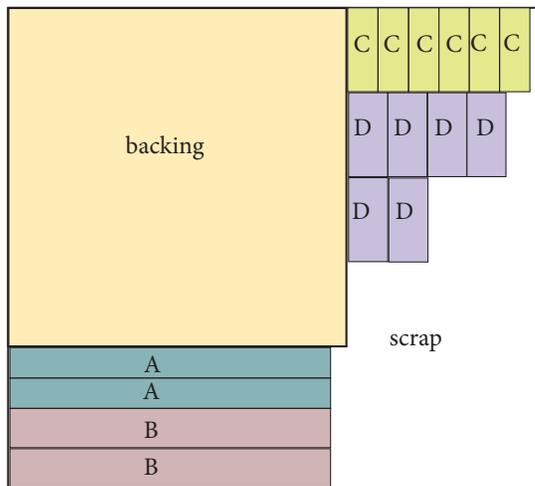
Cut one 38" x 38" square (backing)

Cut two 3 1/4" x 36" strips (A). Cut two 3 1/2" x 36" strips (B)

Cut six 9 1/2" x 3 1/4" strips (C). Cut six 9 1/2" x 3 1/2" strips (D)

Tip!

Lay your fabric out flat and draw the shapes with an acrylic ruler and a ball-point pen, then cut with scissors, rotary cutter or blade. This will make it easier to cut the fabric to the correct size/shape.



Assembly Instructions:

1. Using a 1/2" seam allowance and pinning well, sew together strips as shown below, placing book pages in numerical order.



2. Repeat for all three rows (1, 2, 3), (4, 5, 6), and (7, 8, 9). Finger press seams open and set aside.

3. Lay batting on flat surface. Center the backing fabric onto the batting, then fold to spray the wrong side of fabric with adhesive.

4. Smooth the backing fabric over the batting, easing out wrinkles as you go.

5. Peel back the backing on the unglued side. Spray with adhesive and smooth the backing fabric back into place easing out wrinkles as you go.

6. Turn batting side up. Center strip with book pages 4, 5, 6 on backing. Spray baste in position. Pat to adhere well.

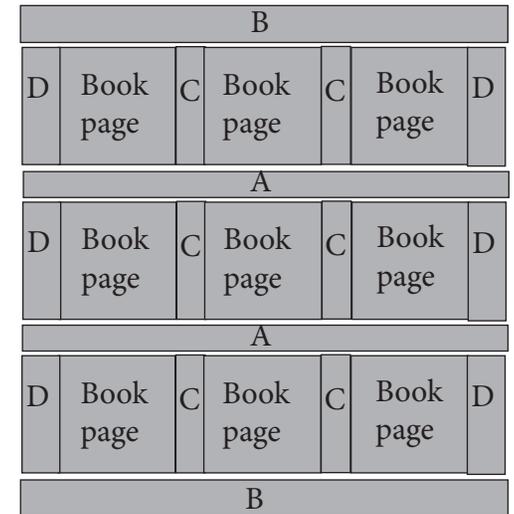
7. Place an A (3 1/4") strip along upper edge of basted strip, right sides together and matching raw edges. Pin in place. Sew with a 1/2" seam allowance, stitching through both strips, backing and batting.

8. Spray adhesive on back of strip and flip into place, smoothing out wrinkles as you go.

9. Continue working from the center outward (in both directions) in this manner, adding the strips as shown to right.

10. Trim to 36" x 36" using a rotary cutter and acrylic ruler.

11. Sew all three 1 3/4" strips together and use to bind the quilt following the directions in the Sew Simple Blanket pattern (on the reverse of this page).



For more information on assembling and binding a Cuddle® quilt, visit www.youtube.com/ShannonFabrics