## It's Sew Easy Series 1800

# Show#1809-1 Satin Trimmed Plush Baby Blanket

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Know someone who is expecting a new baby? Create a cozy baby gift with this blanket from cuddly, plush fabric trimmed with pre-purchased satin binding. Let me show you how to create neat, professional looking corners with my tried and true method for mitering all four corners of the blanket.

#### Are you ready? Let's go sew!

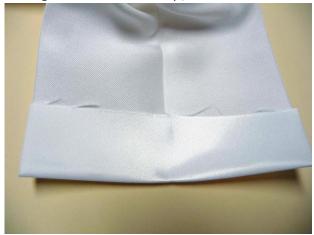
#### Materials and supplies featured in this show:

• Brother sewing machine with <u>Dual Feed MuVit foot</u>. Note: You can use a walking foot as an alternative.

- Shannon Fabrics single faced <u>Solid Cuddle®</u> fabric, two pieces cut to measure approximately 30-inches wide X 40-inches long. **Notes**: Trim selvedge edges from fabric and be sure all edges are straight, and corners are even. Solid Cuddle® will release excess fiber when initially cut. I like to wash the piece and dry on low heat to remove excess fuzz before sewing.
- One package of Wrights Single Fold Satin Blanket Binding (4 ¾ yds.)
- Thread to match binding
- <u>Dritz</u> long flat pins
- <u>Dritz</u> sewing clips
- Fine sharp machine needle

### Steps to create mitered binding:

- 1. Layer fabric with wrong sides together and pin securely.
- 2. Set machine for a zig zag stitch, width 3.5 length 3.5.
- 3. Lightly press binding to remove crease lines from binding being folded up in packaging. Note that binding has a <u>narrower</u> top, and a <u>wider</u> bottom side. Press first end under ½-inch.



4. Wrap the binding over layered fabric with the wider side on the bottom and the folded end even with the raw edge. Tuck fabric into the lengthwise fold of the binding having it snug against the edge of the fabric. Pin or clip binding as necessary. Stitch along the binding edge, having zig zag stitch catch binding as you sew. Stop when you reach the end of the first edge. Tie off stitch, cut thread, and remove blanket from machine. **Note**: You can choose to tie off stitches by machine or leave thread tails each time and tie off threads by hand. Prepare to form the first mitered corner.



5. To miter the first corner, open out the binding and finger press a diagonal fold on the **back and front** of the binding. **Next**, Re-fold the binding back over the edge of the fleece, keeping the corners mitered and wrapping the binding around the fabric. Pin or clip binding in place. See below:





- 6. Resume stitching and miter the next two corners in the same manner.
- 7. To finish the final edge and the remaining fourth corner, stop stitching when you have approximately 6-inches remaining. Tie off the stitch and remove blanket from machine. Trim binding, leaving one inch extending beyond the fleece. Press and fold under the one-inch extension. Next, fold each end toward the center, leaving a slight gap between the folds and forming a point at the tip.



8. Wrap the folded point around the final corner, covering the previously folded satin trim. Pin or clip to hold binding in place. See example of pink binding below:



9. Resume stitching where you left off and continue to the corner. To finish, zig zag across mitered folds at each of the four corners. The first photo below shows this zig zag step using an alternative foot, the walking foot.





You are finished! Enjoy!

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