

Lovie Quilt with Tags

Free Baby Quilt Pattern

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This quilt is designed for babies to take with them and love.

The different textures of the tags and the fabric on the top and bottom of this little quilt are designed to help develop their sense of touch and also to give them something soft and comforting to have with them.

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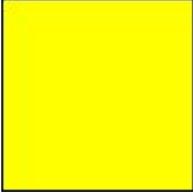
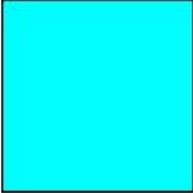
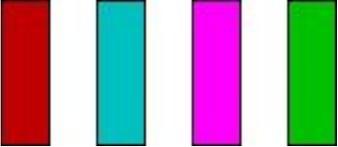
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Feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

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Quilt Size – Approximately 11-12” square finished.

Fabric Requirements:

	<p>Very soft fabric for the top. I use Minky or other soft, plush fabric.</p> <p>You NEED a 12” square for each quilt.</p> <p>I buy 1/3 yard and cut it into 12 inch squares.</p>
	<p>Washable satin for the bottom.</p> <p>I buy 1/3 yard. Usually they will give you a little more than 1/3 yard when you purchase the fabric.</p> <p>I cut squares from this width. If they give me 12.5” or 13”, I cut 12.5” or 13” squares.</p>
	<p>12.5” square of thin batting. I use a cotton batting.</p>
	<p>You need (16) ribbons cut 4” each. Each ribbon can be a different width. You can use satin, velvet, woven, grosgrain and others. You need a variety of colors and textures that are washable. SAFETY CHECK – remove any wires from your ribbons before sewing.</p>

Other Supplies:

Quilt Basting Spray

I use Sullivan's but any will do.

OPTIONAL:

Fabrique applique patch.

You can use Google to find locations to buy a Fabrique patch.

I found my at Joann Fabric and Craft store.

These are wonderful applique patches made of plush fabrics.

Remove ALL of the stabilizer from the back.

This will make the quilt softer.

Spray baste the back and apply to the center of the plush top..

Use a walking foot and machine stitch the applique down near the satin stitching.

I machine stitch around mine twice to make it extra secure.

...The directions say you can use fuse it down with two-sided stabilizer but this won't last through lots of washings.

Creating your Lovie Quilt:

Even though these babies are little and cute and sweet, some of them can be pretty tough on these lovie quilts.

You will be doing extra reinforcing sewing to keep them from falling apart through many washings and rough handling.

Step #1.

Spray baste the the **WRONG** side of the satin square to the square of batting.

(This spray comes out when the quilt is washed.)

Trim this to 12" unit to 12" square.

The satin is very slippery and this will help you control it better while you are sewing.

Step #2.

Fold each ribbon in half, **WRONG** sides together.

Pin 4 ribbons on each side of the quilt.

See picture on next page.

Use one of the folded ribbons to help measure 2" from the corner.

This is easier than trying to use a ruler.

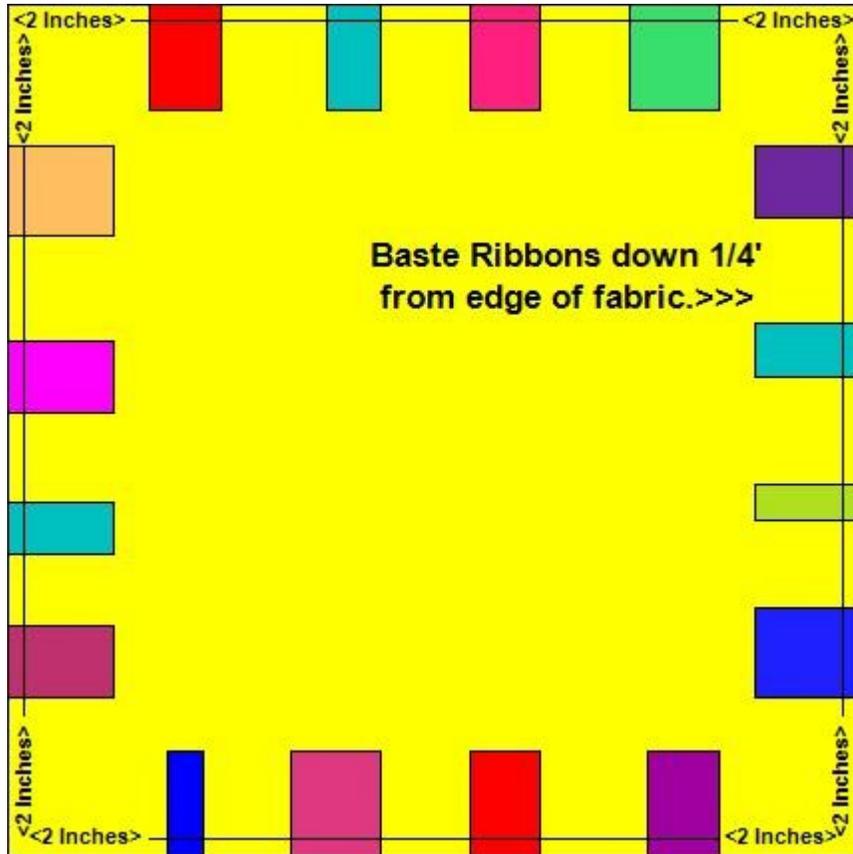
Pin ribbons 2" from each corner.

Center and pin the other two ribbons on each side

..measurements don't need to be exact.

Baste the ribbons to the plush top 1/4" from each edge.

Remove pins.



Step #3.

Place the quilt top and the back of the quilt **RIGHT** sides together. Place a few pins in the center of the quilt (away from your sewing machine needle) to anchor the layers.

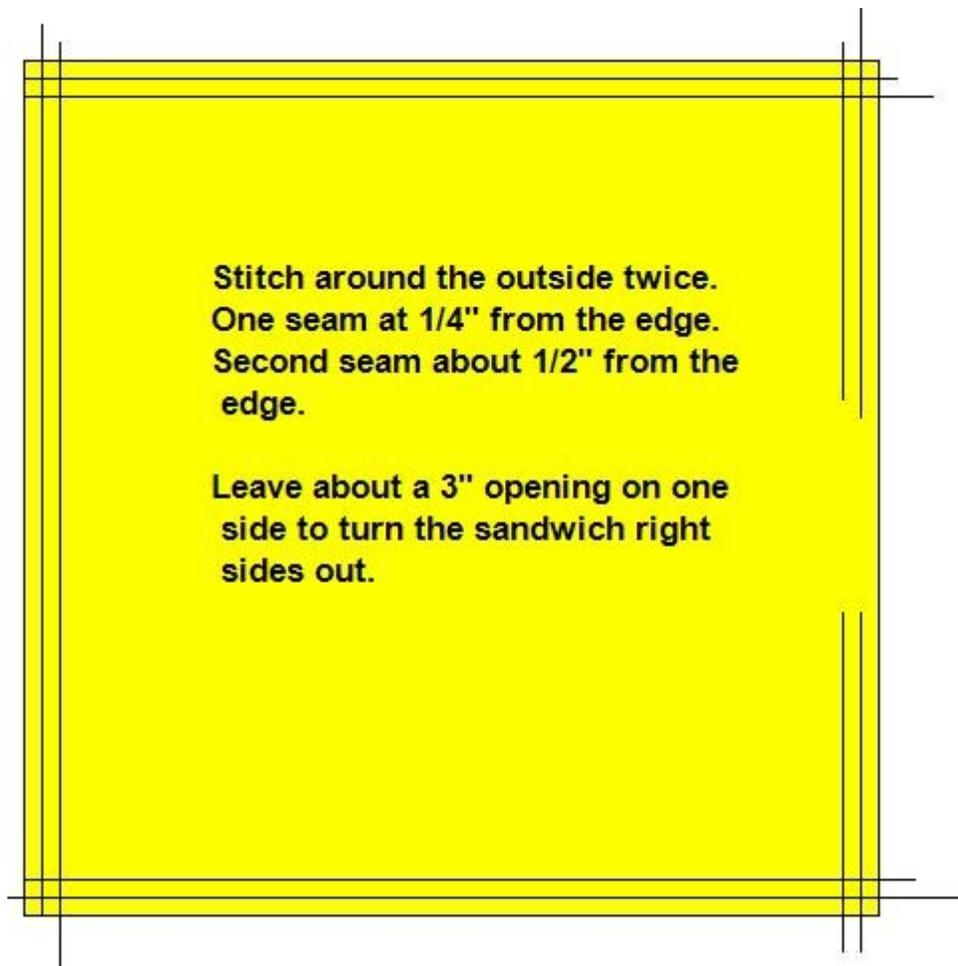
Stitch around the outside twice.

One seam at 1/4" from the edge.

Second seam about 1/2" from the edge.

Leave about a 3" opening on one side to turn the sandwich right sides out.

See drawing below.



Step #4:

Turn quilt right sides out.

Use an awl or other tool to push out the corners.

Roll the open edges to the inside.

I held these edges down and inside the quilt with my fingers while doing the stay stitching.

You could also pin and then hand baste down this opening before stay stitching if your fabric is very slippery.

Sew stay stitching around the outside twice to add final reinforcement to the quilt.

Once very close to the edge.

The second line of stitching 1/8" to 1/4" from the first line.

