

Recycled Tags Blanket for Baby

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Not a new idea by any means, but a fun twist with recycled tags! Perfect for up cycling into a fun blanket for your newest addition!

You could even take it a step further and use recycled tee fronts for the blanket instead of the minky. Super cute and earth conscious too!

Supplies Needed

(2) 13.5" Squares of Material(Minky, Velour, Tees, Etc.)

Tags

1 Snap(Can be Metal or Poly)

1 Small Scrap of Fabric for Loop(Optional)

Directions

1. Start by cutting 2 squares 13.5" from your fabric.
2. Round the corners on your 2 squares. I do this by placing a small bowl or dish on the corner and rounding it with my rotary cutter.



3. Next, cut a rectangle 2" x 7" from your scrap piece of woven. (This will be for the optional loop that can be attached to the carrier.)
While ironing turn down the sides of your rectangle so they are touching. Crease. Fold one more time and steam well. This part is just like making bias tape.

Now I tuck in the raw edge at one end and press again. Topstitch your strip close to the edge.



4. For the next step, take your tags that you have been collecting from old tees and pin them on the square that will become the back of your blanket.



5. Pin your strip that will become your loop to one of the corners.



All of your tags should be pinned to the edge and the raw edge of the tags should be outward.

6. Lay the other square on top, right sides together and pin, pin, pin!! Anytime you are using stretchy fabrics like minky it is so important to pin your work as much as possible. You don't want any stretching while you sew.



7. Now sew around the edges of your blanket with your sewing machine leaving about 2" open for your turn out. I used a scant $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowance here because I wanted to make sure that all of the pictures on my tags showed when sewn.

The best advice, slow and steady wins the race! Go slow, take your time, match your edges, it will show in the finished product.

MOST IMPORTANT: Don't forget to leave the 2" space to turn out your blanket!!

8. Now, turn it right side out and topstitch the area closed. For a more finished look I prefer to zig zag around my blanket at the end.



9. Add your snap to the strip, one part near the blanket's edge and the other at the end of your strip.



10. Ta-da!! You are finished! Isn't that cute?? Now you can attach it to the baby's infant carrier and it can't fall out when you are strolling! You could also attach baby's binky to the blanket if you wanted.



