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You'll need



- 1 10"x10" Fabric square of [Circus Print](#) from the [Blend Bailey Collection](#)
- 1 10"x10" Fabric square of [Life In The Jungle](#) from the [Riley Blake Range](#)
- Assorted colours and textures of ribbon
- Sewing machine
- Thread and tape measure

All above fabrics can be purchased at [Prints To Polka Dot's](#).

My son was given one of these tab blankets as a baby and it was a great comforter for him and me doing my supermarket shopping in peace!!!

I decided to have a go at making my own version in child inspiring designs and in various sizes. A welcomed gift for any new mum and baby!!



Firstly measure the size you want your blanket. Mine is 10" x 10" square. Cut 2 pieces of fabric this size ideally in different textures.



The next part is a great way to use up all your odd pieces of ribbon. I like to try and match the colour scheme of the fabric being used. Measure each ribbon in 5" long lengths.



Next you will need to fold each piece of ribbon in half and pin so the raw edges are slightly overlapping the raw edges of one of your fabric squares. Pin in place equal spaces apart around all 4 sides.



Once you have done this sew all ribbon pieces in place using a straight stitch and a small seam allowance.



If you are a keen crafter like me you probably have your own sew in labels to credit your work. It's at this point you need to stitch your label onto your 2nd piece of fabric.



With your right sides of fabric together pin and sew in place with 1/4" seam allowance around the edge.



Make sure you leave a gap to turn through. Before turning through I like to trim edges and snip at corners to reduce bulk and give a neater finish. After pressing top stitch to also give a flatter finish.



You should now have a finished tab blanket looking something like this.



I hope you have enjoyed this tutorial.

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