
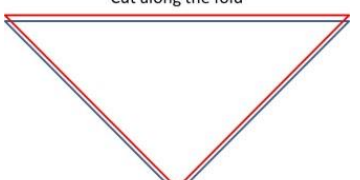
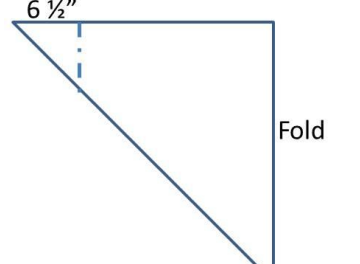
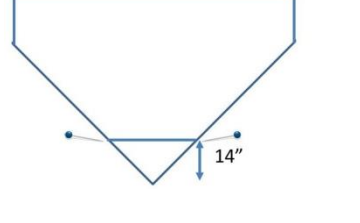
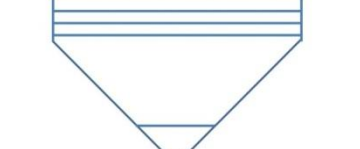


## Quilt Shawl

Materials: 2 yds of fleece (this makes 2 shawls)  
 24 strips @ 2 1/2" wide for **each** shawl  
 1 square of Velcro for **each** shawl

<p>After removing the selvages from your fleece, you need to cut it into 2 pieces. The first one is a square that is approximately 60". It is more important for your 60" piece to be square rather than a full 60" so if yours comes out smaller or larger than 60" - that is okay. Just make sure it is square. The remainder is approximately 12" x 60".</p> <p>The 60" piece is for both shawls and the 12" piece will make the 4 pockets.</p>	
<p>Fold your shawl piece in half diagonally and cut it along the fold.</p> <p>The rest of these directions are for one shawl, so repeat each step for the second one.</p>	
<p>Fold your triangle piece in half again (along the longest edge) and then cut off 6 1/2" from the tips. Note for later: The cut edge is the bottom edge of your pockets.</p> <p>Unfold your shawl piece.</p>	
<p>Take note of which side of the fleece is the wrong side. If you can't tell, simply tug along one of the straight edges and it will curl to the wrong side.</p> <p>Using a marker (permanent is okay), draw a line 14" up from the bottom tip on the <u>wrong</u> side of the fleece. A chalk line might disappear so marking the edges with pins is suggested.</p>	
<p>Sew 19 of your fabric strips short end to short end. Place your strip <u>right</u> side up on the <u>wrong</u> side of the fleece along the top edge and roughly trim to size. Sew along the top edge using a 1/8" seam allowance to anchor the fabric.</p>	
<p>For the rest of the shawl, place your strip of fabric <u>right</u> side down along the last fabric added and sew along the raw edge using a 1/4" seam allowance. Flip the newly sewn fabric down and roughly trim the short edges to size.</p> <p>Make sure that the edges of the fabric do not extend too much over the fleece or you may not have enough fabric left to do the binding.</p> <p>Continue sewing and flipping until you reach or just cover the marked line. Trim away the remaining fleece along the edge of the fabric strip just sewn. Then sew along the bottom edge using a 1/8" seam allowance to anchor the fabric. From the fleece side of the shawl, trim away the fabric that hangs over the edges.</p>	

From your remaining fleece, cut 2 pieces at 10" square.

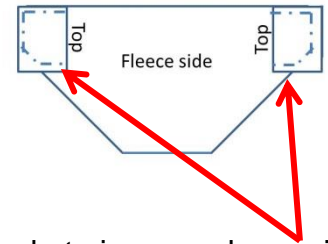
For the left pocket, align the bottom edge of the pocket with the pocket edge of the shawl and align the left edge of the pocket with the top edge of the shawl.

For the right pocket, align the bottom edge of the pocket with the pocket edge of the shawl and align the right edge of the pocket with the top edge of the shawl.

Trim the pockets to match the shape of the shawl. With some of your leftover fabric strip, bind the top edge and short side of your pockets as shown here in red.

Don't worry about the raw ends; they will be covered when the binding is added.

Topstitch the pockets in place, on the fleece side, around all sides except the top. Backstitch at the pocket top edges to reinforce them.



Pocket pieces go here with the tops facing inward.



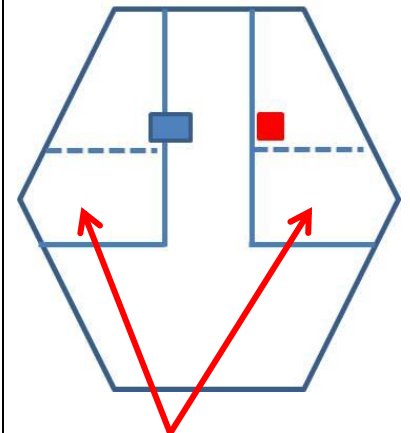
Sew the remaining fabric strip to the 5 strips you haven't used yet, short ends to short ends to create the binding. Cut off a 3 1/2" piece for the closure and then bind the entire shawl.

Take the closure piece and fold it in half lengthwise, wrong sides together, so it is now 2 1/2" x 1 3/4". Place the hook side of your Velcro 1/4" below the folded edge and centered between the raw edges. Mark the fabric for the Velcro placement. Now unfold the fabric and sew the Velcro in place.

Fold the closure piece in half along the same fold line but right sides together. Using a 1/4" seam allowance, sew down the two short sides. Turn the piece right side out, fold in a 1/4" hem along the open edge, and then topstitch all the way around the closure.

In these pictures, the dotted lines indicate the top of the pockets underneath/inside. Sew the loop side of your Velcro (**red square**) just above the pocket and butted up next to the binding.

Connect the Velcro pieces together so you know where to add the closure piece (**blue rectangle**) and then sew the closure in place.



Pockets are here but inside the shawl.