

# Memory Blanket and Pillow

## General Sewing Instructions

Task: Make two identical blankets and two identical pillows for baby's that pass away. The family can then wrap their baby in one blanket and pillow set and keep an identical set in the keepsake box we provide.

### Fabric

Please use 100% cotton. Suitable colours; white, cream, lavender, pastel pink or pastel blue. Please do not use yellow, the colour is not suitable due to some babies being very jaundiced.

### **Top Layer:**

Mostly plain fabric, delicate baby print / fine pastel gingham, in PolyCotton, Lawn, Broderie Anglaise

### **Backing:**

Same as top layer or coordinating fabric. Eg. Broderie Anglaise on top layer and plain Poly Cotton on backing

**Size of Blanket** - 55cm wide x 75cm deep (finished)      **Size of Pillow** - 35cm wide x 12cm deep (finished)

### Construction

1. For both the blanket and pillow cut four (4) pieces of fabric. Two (2) of top fabric and two (2) of backing fabric. Allow 1cm extra on all sides for seam. See diagram below
2. Delicately decorate both blanket top pieces of fabric identically and both pillow top pieces of fabric identically. Suggested decoration is lace, insertion lace, ribbon roses, embroidery or applique etc.
3. Place one (1) top piece and one (1) backing piece with right sides together, stitch with 1cm seam around and leave approx 15cm opening for blanket and 10cm for pillow.
4. Trim corners, turn through and iron seams flat.
5. Blanket - stitch opening closed. and then top stitch right around approx 1cm from edge.

Pillow - stuff to about 2cm thick using polyester Hobbyfill and stitch opening closed.

