AZ Blankets 4 Kids Quilt Pattern

Preemie Quilt, 1 Patch, 2 Borders

Fabric requirements:

Infant themed colors and prints are preferred for this pattern.

100% cotton [quilter's weight] or flannel fabric for center front block & border strips

100% cotton flannel for the backing. No batting is used.

Center block:

Fabric A** – one 81/2" square of infant theme fabric.

<u>Tip</u>: Consistent sizes require sewing using ¼" seams.

**Appropriate infant themed pillow panel may also be used.

Border 1: Fabric B – two 3" wide strips by 9" long and two 3" wide strips by 141/2" long	
Border 2: Fabric C – two 3" wide strips by 141/2" long and two 3" wide strips by 19" long	

Backing: Fabric D – cotton flannel, 18¹/₂" x 18¹/₂" [Tip: One and 1/8 yard, 40-44" wide = 4 backs]

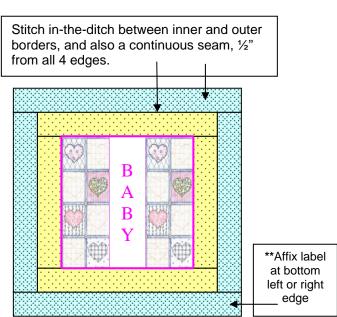
Using a $\frac{1/4"}{2}$ seam throughout construction, sew [Border 1] 9" strips to opposite sides of the block. Press seams and trim borders even with the center block. Next, sew the [Border 1] $14\frac{1}{2}$ " strips to the top and bottom as shown. Press seams and trim to $13\frac{1}{2}$ " square. Repeat steps to finish Border 2, adding the two $14\frac{1}{2}$ " strips first and the 19" strips last. Press seams and trim borders.

Both front and backing should be 18½" prior to combining [unfinished size]. With right sides together, sew around the 4 sides and leave an opening at least 4" in order to turn and finish. After turning, press carefully so backing fabric is not visible around the edges. Close the opening by carefully hand stitching so no thread loops can get caught on tiny fingers and toes.

Minimal quilting is requested to protect the baby's ultra-sensitive skin. DO NOT QUILT WITHIN THE CENTER 13" PORTION OF THE QUILT. Stitch in the ditch at the seam between the inner and outer borders, and, sew a continuous seam, approximately ½" from the edges of the quilt. PLEASE DO NOT SEW AN "X" [DIAGONAL LINES] FROM CORNER TO CORNER!

Sew an AZB4K label [if you've got one] on the FRONT of the quilt, on either the lower left or right corner. **Position the label approximately 3/8" from the quilt's side and bottom edges. This can be hand sewn or applied by machine using a STRAIGHT stitch [NO zigzag, please] sewn 1/8" inside the label's edge. If using your machine, load white thread in the needle and bobbin. If you apply the label to the quilt face before attaching the front to the back, please position the label allowing for 1/4" seam allowance [5/8" from side and bottom edges].

Finished size: 18" x 18" square



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Fabric requirements and cutting instructions are included for those wishing to make this pattern at home. Tip: cotton flannel should be pre-washed due to shrinkage.

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