## **Flannel Quilt Instructions**

Submitted by Texas Capital Area- warm weather areas can leave out the middle layer.

## **Strip Rag Quilt Tutorial: Super Easy**

This week, I finished a very cute rag quilt for my neighbor. She had picked out the fabrics, started sewing, and never finished. I asked if I could finish it, and I love the way it turned out!



Strip rag quilts are super fast and easy. They are a great way to use up your flannel scraps.

## Here are the general steps:

- 1. Plan the layout. Raid your scraps to see which ones you want to use. Decide if all strips will be the same **length** or not. They are all the same **width**, which is the width of the bolt of flannel (usually 44 inches). Remember, each strip needs to be matched up with a strip of the same size for the back of the quilt.
- 2. Two or three layers? In the quilt pictured, there are three layers. There is a layer of white flannel sandwiched in the middle. If you do three layers, you will cut strips of the middle layer to match exactly the length of each strip.

For example: For a 4-inch strip, you will have one 4-inch strip for the front of the quilt, one solid 4-inch strip for the middle of the quilt, and one 4-inch strip for the back of the quilt.

- 3. Once you have the quilt all planned out and the layers assembled, start sewing! Use a 1/2 inch seam allowance. All seams face the top of the quilt. Right-sides face out.
- 4. Most likely, the strips were not exactly the same length (some may have been 43 iches long, others may have been 45 inches long), so the sides of your quilt will be uneven. Go ahead and trim it to be straight on the sides.
- 5. Top stitch around the whole perimeter (outside edge) of the quilt to hold it all in place.
- 6. Clip all seams. I usually clip every 1/4 1/2 inch.
- 7. Wash the quilt. After washing, I take it outside and shake it a few times to get most of the strings off before drying. Make sure your lint trap is clean before drying. And clean the lint trap again after drying. It will have a lot of strings on it.

A close up of the front:



This is what the back looks like:



You will notice that the bigger strips in this quilt have a stitch down the length of the strip. That is how my neighbor wanted it. You can do that or not - it's up to you.

Grab a remnant bundle from Flannel Queen, and get to work on your strip rag quilt!

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