

SEW TOGETHER TUESDAY

CUDDLE® MINKY 101



TERESA'S FAVORITE TOOLS FOR CUDDLE®:

Cuddle® is the superior minky

Cuddle® is the Shannon Fabrics brand of minky. Minky is a polyester, microfiber plush knit fabric. Quality varies greatly between manufacturers and Shannon Fabrics works tirelessly to provide the highest quality minky on the market.

7 Tips for Sewing with Cuddle®

- Mark fabric before you cut.
- Cut minky fabric with the right tool.
- Get rid of the Cuddle® dust before you start sewing.
- Use double pinning to keep the fabric stable.
- Lengthen your stitch and lower your pressure.
- Use a 90/14 Stretch needle.
- Use a walking foot.

- Walking Foot
- SCHMETZ 90/14 Stretch Needle
- Clover Flower Head Pins
- Polyester Thread (Mettler or Superior Threads)
- Micro Serrated Scissors (Kai or Famore Cutlery)
- OLFA SAC-1 or ESK-1 Knife
- OLFA 45mm Rotary Cutter
- Felt Tip or Ballpoint Pen
- Clover Wonder Clips
- Clover Jumbo Clips
- ByAnnie Stiletto & Pressing Tool
- ODIF 505 Basting Spray

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Cuddle® 3

Also called C3, smooth Cuddle®, flat Cuddle® and regular Cuddle®, this fabric gets its name from the length of the nap--Cuddle® 3 is made from 3mm fibers, giving it a flat, smooth appearance. It is wider than cotton and runs 58"-60" wide. You can find Cuddle® 3 in more than 100 colors and nearly as many prints.

Cuddle® 3 90

Also called Extra Wide Cuddle®, it is 90" wide and available in more than 50 colors.

Cuddle® Dimple

A textured version of Cuddle®, Dimple has raised dots and tends to stretch in both directions.

Luxe Cuddle®

Luxe Cuddle® has a 10+mm nap and comes in a wide variety of designs and colors. Solids include Seal (15mm), Shaggy (30mm), Sherpa (12mm) and more.

Embossed includes Luxe Cuddle® Hide(10mm), one of the most popular and is available in dozens of colors. Other Embossed styles are typically 10mm and include Glacier, Demi Rose, Heather, Marble, Luna, Brooklyn and Weave.

Print Luxe Cuddle® has more than one color and includes a variety of animal prints, such as Fawn, Giraffe, Wild Rabbit, Mountain Fox and Jaguar. Despite looking like fur, they are NOT faux fur.

Other Luxe Cuddle® prints include Seal Lace, Paloma, and Jupiter.

Luxe Cuddle® Mirage is an 80" wide Luxe that is great for throws and quilt backings.

Digital Cuddle®

Very similar to Cuddle® 3, Digital Cuddle® is available in all-over prints and panels. Using sublimation, these fabrics have more colors and clarity than traditional printing.

Some designs are from Shannon Studio and others are licensed designs from Hoffman of California, Robert Kaufman and other fabric manufacturers.



Teresa recommends:

Cuddle® 3:

- Strips in Cuddle® strip quilts
- Plush toys
- Applique

Cuddle® 3 90

- Quilt backing for all quilts
- Quilted Cuddle® blankets

Cuddle® Dimple

- Stuffed animals
- Applique

Digital Cuddle®:

- Strips in Cuddle® strip quilts
- Self-binding blankets
- Throws

Luxe Cuddle®

- Luxe Throws
- Quilt backing
- Stuffed animals
- Apparel (scarf, robe, jacket, etc.)
- Throw pillows
- Binding on Cuddle® quilts