



Bat Wraps – Sewing Instructions

Animal Rescue Freecycle Craft Guild

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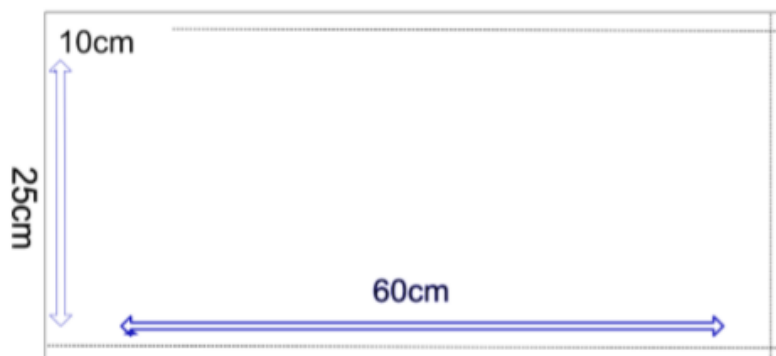
Bat wraps simulate mothers' wings and are used by carers to wrap injured and orphaned bats so they feel safe.

You will need:

- 100% flannelette fabric – new fabric, sheets or recycled (clean) sheets, but please make sure the flannelette is 100% cotton. Bat wraps can be made in any colour and print. There are no buttons or Velcro as the wrap is simply rolled around the bat.
- Poly fill stuffing – new toy filling or filling from new and recycled (clean) pillows.

Instructions:

- Cut flannelette in strips measuring 25cm x 120cm. This is a guide only. It won't be a problem if wraps are slightly different in size to save on fabric wastage. All wraps will be happily received and used.
- Fold fabric with right sides facing and sew around the three edges, leaving a 10cm opening.



- Pull the fabric through the opening so that the right side is now showing.
- Sew a line of stitching down the width of the wrap to create the pillow section.

Stitching line
10cm in from fold ↓



- Fill the pillow with stuffing - it should be firm but still squishy – and sew the opening to close the pillow.
- Sew 0.5cm from the edge around the three sides to make the wrap more stable.
- Make sure all loose threads are trimmed so the bat cannot get tangled in them.
- Finished! Bats will thank you for their snuggly wraps.



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