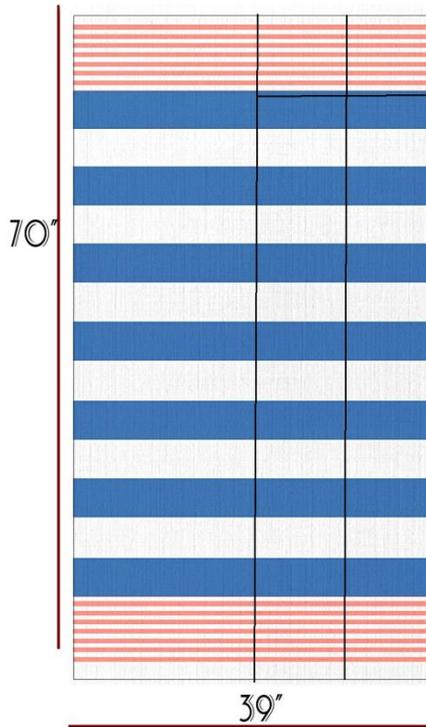


Turkish Towel fabric loop Onbuhimo pattern



Wash your fabric before you start.

Lay your fabric flat and cut in half down the length of the towel so that you have 2 pieces about 20" wide by 70" long. One half will be your body and the other half the straps.

Cut off the bottom 5" of the half that will be the straps. This will be your fabric loops.

Cut the piece that will be straps in half length wise.

You should end up with one piece 70" x 19.5", 2 pieces 9.75" x 65", and 1 piece 19.5" x 5".

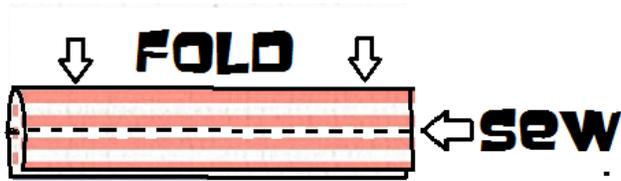
Leave the fringe on all the pieces except for the smallest piece, which will be the fabric loops. Cut this piece in half again so you have 2 small pieces 9.75" x 5".

Hem the Straps and prepare the pieces:

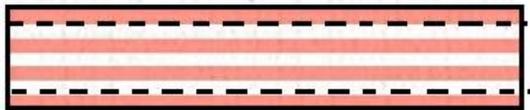
Iron all of your pieces and hem both sides of the straps with a rolled hem and straight stitch. Serge or run a zig zag stitch down the sides of your body panel and the unfinished ends of the straps.

Preparing the fabric loops:

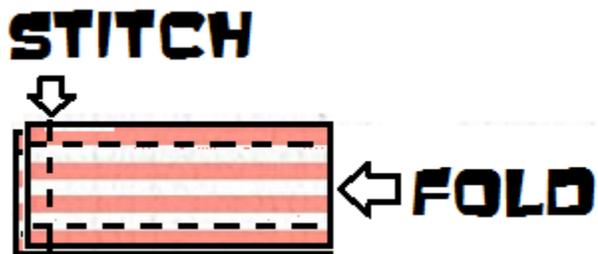
Fold the pieces in half lengthwise and sew a line down the center of both pieces.



Turn the tube inside out. We left the extra on purpose to make the loops a little more sturdy. Iron the tube so that the seam is on one side and the fold is on the other. Top stitch down both sides of the loop.



Now fold the loops in half and sew raw ends down about $\frac{1}{2}$ " from the edge.



Set those aside for assembly.

Prepare the straps:

Create box pleats or gather the shoulder straps to a smaller width. I didn't measure mine, but I go for about a hand's width. I sew a line at about $\frac{3}{4}$ " from the end and one again about 5" from there to keep my pleats neat for assembling the carrier, which we will do next.

Assemble the carrier:

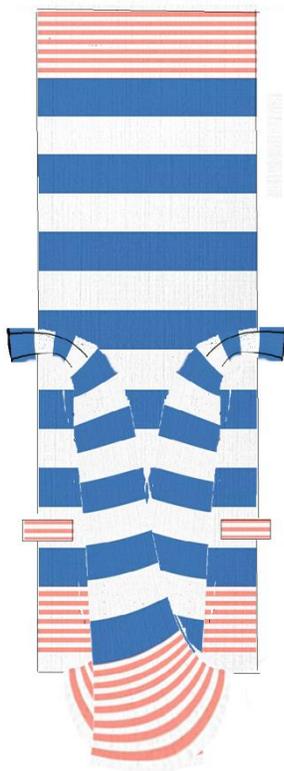
Take the body piece and fold it in half, right sides together and make sure that the bottom edges and sides match up.

Mark the middle of this piece, which will be the top of your carrier, then open it back up and lay it flat.

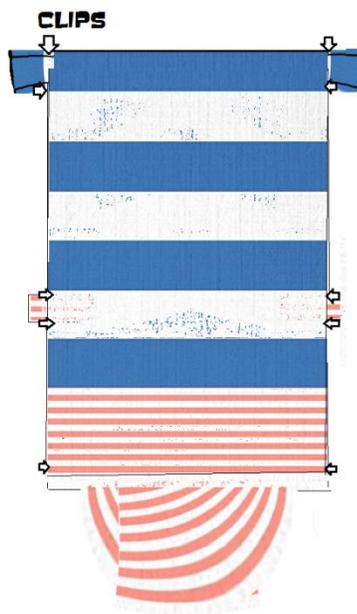
Position the straps so that the end that will be inside the carrier is sticking out of the side by about 5-6". The length of the straps should be facing in and down. Clip or pin the straps in place

Position the fabric loops the same way as the straps, so that the raw edge is sticking out and the loop is pointing toward the inside.

You will have to measure your baby or another carrier to see how far from the top of the carrier your fabric loops should be. I have a 20 month old wearing a 2T and I put my fabric loops 18" from the top of the carrier.



After you get your straps and loops placed, fold the top down and pin or clip the sides in place.

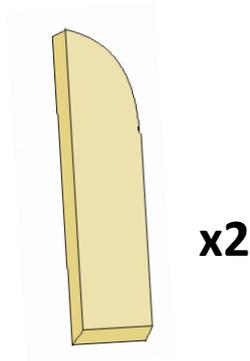
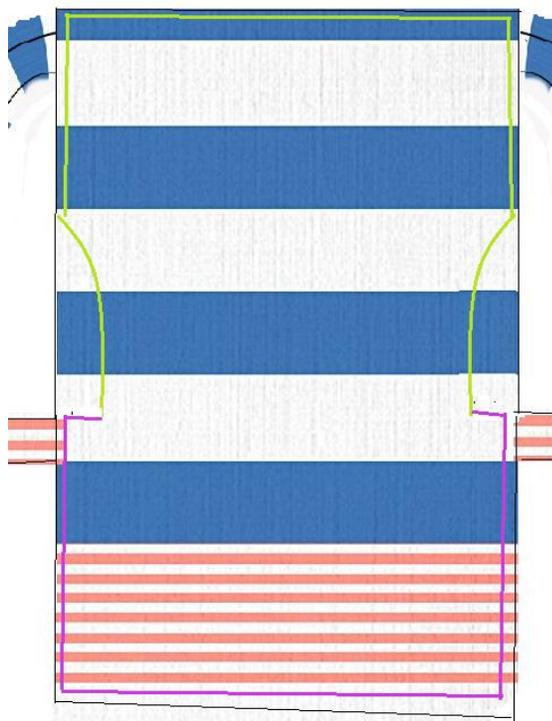


Sew down both long sides.
Do not sew the top or bottom.

Turn right side out and make sure
your corners are tight on the top.

Marking and topstitching: optional legs out padding:

Cut 2 pieces of 1" craft foam 7" long and 1 1/2" wide. (you can also just use craft stuffing). Cut the top to a point. This will go directly above the fabric loops on both sides of the carrier. Use your marking pencil or chalk to draw this shape on the carrier right above the fabric loops. Top stitch on the line you just drew and all the way around the top of the carrier (follow my green line). Don't close off your casing! Use a pokey tool or a pair of hemostats to poke that padding/stuffing into the casing you just made.



After you get the padding/stuffing into the hole, top stitch the rest of the way around the carrier (follow the purple line).

Xbox stitching:

You need to reinforce your straps and fabric loops with xbox stitching. Mark carefully the size and shape of your xbox stitches. You want to make 2 or 3 lines (I do 3) of each X without backstitching.

Congratulations! You are done! What a lovely carrier you have there!



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