



**IRIS** INFANTS REMEMBERED IN SILENCE ©  
Founded in 1987

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## Sizes & Info for IRIS Blankets and Caps ©

Gown Size	Blanket Size	Cap Size	Gestational Age	Infant Length	Diaper Size
Small Wrap	6"	N/A	Up to 12 weeks	Up to 3"	-
Med. Wrap	9"	N/A	12 – 14 weeks	3" – 5"	-
Large Wrap	12"	4 ½ X 2" Fits a small egg	14 – 16 weeks	5" – 7"	-
1	12"	4 ½ X 2" Fits a small egg	14 – 16 weeks	5" – 7"	-
2	16"	7 ½ X 3" Fits a small apple	16 – 20 weeks	7" – 12"	XS
3	20"	9 ½ X 4" Fits a large apple	20 – 24 weeks	12" – 14"	S
4	24"	11 ½ " X 4" Fits a med. orange	24 – 28 weeks	14" – 16"	M
5	28"	12 ½ " X 6" Fits a grapefruit	28 – 34 weeks	16" – 18"	P
6	32"	14" X 8" Newborn	34 – 40 weeks	18 " – 24"	NB
SIDS / Accident	Crib Size or larger	N/A	Infant, Toddler, Young Child		

### Knit or Crochet Blankets:

1. Please use baby weight or sport weight yarn.
2. Please use Pastel Baby Colors only – Please Do Not use yarn with shinny flecks. No solid yellow blankets please.
3. Please use single strand of yarn.
4. All blankets should be square and free of ends that roll.
5. Any pattern can be used as long as there are **NO Holes**. Please note that fragile little arms, legs, fingers, and toes could become tangled in the holes ~ this could become a heartbreaking problem.
6. We like to have matching hats, caps, or bonnets with blankets if possible. (If you are unable to make this item, we have other volunteers who will be happy to make them).
7. If you have any questions feel free to call the IRIS office (507) 334-4748.

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## Quilts:

1. Please use cotton fabrics.
2. Please do not use sharp lace, buttons, etc.
3. Please use Pastel Baby Colors only – No solid Yellow please.
4. Quilts should be square.
5. Any pattern can be used.
6. Please use low loft batting or fill with flannel fabric for quilts the small, med, and large wraps, size 1, and size 2. (6", 9", 12", 16")  
Regular loft batting can be used for all other sizes.  
Please Do Not Use extra loft batting on any of the sizes.
7. We like to have matching knit or crochet hat/caps if possible. (If you are unable to make this item, we have other volunteers who will be happy to make them).
8. If you have any questions feel free to call the IRIS office (507) 334-4748 and ask for Diana Kelley.  
Diana quilts and has been making blankets for IRIS for many years and will be able to answer all of your questions.

## Prayer Shawls and Prayer Blankets:

1. Yes, we accept Adult sized Prayer Shawls and Prayer Blankets. These items are offered to parents who request to have their child blessed, baptized, or who request their clergy to visit.
2. All colors, yarn types, fabric's, patterns, and sizes, are welcome. Average size is 55" X 24"
3. You are welcome to have your clergy bless the shawl/blanket or we will be happy to have them blessed here.
4. You are welcome to include a card from you or your group if you would like.

## FAQ:

1. **Why do you only want pastel colored items?**  
The parents are allowed to pick clothing set which includes the blanket and hat - Parents request "pastel baby colors" and other soft muted colors such as light brown.
2. **Why don't you want yellow blankets?**  
Blankets that are solid yellow, or contain a lot of yellow cause problems with the appearance of the child's skin tone/color.
3. **I have other items that I would be happy to make and donate to IRIS, are you interested?**  
We would love to hear from you, give us a call and let us know what you have.
4. **Does IRIS have a need for other items?**  
Yes, we need help making blessing pillows, blankets, and teddy bears out of wedding gowns. Please contact us if are interested in helping with this project.
5. **Where do I drop off or mail my finished blankets, hats, quilts, prayer shawls?**  
Please drop off or mail your items to: IRIS, 218 3rd Ave. NW, Faribault MN 55021

**Thank You for helping with these very special IRIS Blanket Brigade © Project!**

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