## **CAT TOYS**

### Fleece Bundle

Take scraps of fleece and bunch together. Tie bundle tightly together with another fleece strip around the middle of the bundle.



### Fleece Ring

These toys use the plastic shower curtain rings that snap together. Take strips of fleece and securely knot fleece around the shower curtain ring, until fully covered.



Easy, inexpensive, DIY cat toys: <u>CLICK HERE</u> <u>AND HERE!</u>

## **Dog Toys**

No-sew Fleece Dog Toy



## Tips and tricks:

Tie each knot as tightly as possible to ensure long lasting toy!

Knotting can be confusing if this is your first attempt. You may find it helpful to work with four different colors until you get the hang of things. As an added bonus, that also makes for a pretty result.

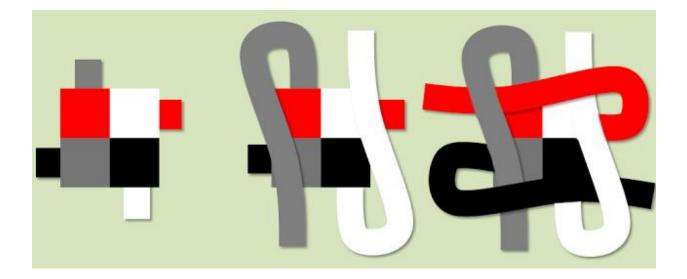
You can secure the starting end to something, if you wish. I prefer to be seated with it nipped between my knees. This allows me to freely flip the strands to the front, back over a shoulder, and from side to side.

Don't leave yourself short on the tie-off - you'll need more fabric than you might think.

You can scale this toy to suit your dog by altering the width and/or length of the fleece strips. I worked with approximately 6cm x 2m strips (large dog) for the toy shown; however, you can make them larger/smaller to suit your dog and the size of fleece you have available

#### PICTURE/WRITTEN INSTRUCTIONS ON NEXT TWO PAGES





**Materials:** clean fleece fabric, cut into 4 long narrow strips

# Instructions:

Loop and knot one end securely, leaving a "tassle" at the end.

Weave the fleece using a square knot technique (*see diagram and images below*):

- 1. Spread the strips in a cross (+) shape
- 2. Fold the top strip towards the bottom
- 3. Fold the bottom strip towards the top
- 4. Fold the right strip towards the left, passing over then under

5. Fold the left strip towards the right, passing over then under

6. Pull to secure

Repeat until you are approaching the end (not too close though!). *The top/bottom left/right pattern will cycle naturally from side-to-side with each knot.* 

Loop and knot securely, leaving a "tassle" at the end, and trim if/as needed.

Recycled T-Shirt Dog Toys:



## Rabbit/Critter Toys

## **Shredding Mat**





#### Materials:

- Cardboard box
- Scissors

#### Instructions:

- Cut flaps off of box (box dimensions no bigger than: 1' x 1')
- Cut the sides down to 1.5"
- Measure width of the box and cut discarded cardboard into strips 1.5" high so that they fit snuggly in the box
- Fill box with strips

## Cardboard Tube Toys:

- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-KZIY-uHVRg
- Stuff a toilet paper tube with a rolled up toilet paper tube
- Cut tube into strips putting each strip inside the other to form a ball to put treats into.

### Picture examples on next page



You want a smart bunny? He's got to work. Put that brain and those teeth to use with this easy little toy.

You need: TOILET PAPER ROLL, SCISSORS, & TREATS

Cut the toilet paper roll evenly into 0.5" strips. Overlap them criss-crossing until they form a ball. Slip in a treat before the holes get too small.





