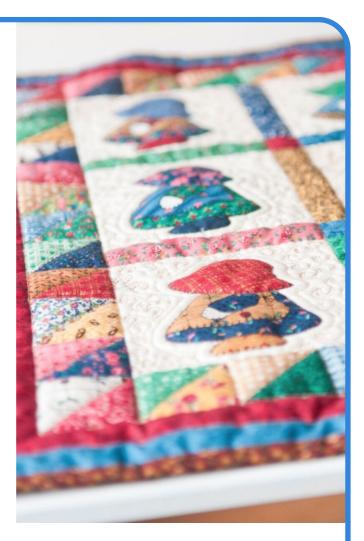


Wadding - it's the bit you don't see, but your choice of wadding for your patchwork project can have a big impact on how it finally looks when quilted and then as it is washed over time.

We sell an extensive selection of waddings, one of the largest in the UK, and the fact that we sell so many different, highly rated types is an indication of how personal choice plays a large part in wadding preference.

If you are new to wadding or would like to try something new, this ebook will help you to make an informed choice.



### An important note about quilts for young babies

A new arrival into the family is a great opportunity to make a hand made gift that may, one day, become a family heirloom (depending on what it is subjected to!). If you are thinking of making something for a baby's cot please bear in mind that duvets, quilts or pillows are not recommended for babies under one year old. For babies over one year old choose a lightweight, breatheable wadding for a cot quilt. One or more lightweight layers are better for a baby than a quilt that contains a heavier or more lofted wadding. If you decide to make a play mat using a thicker, more lofted wadding make sure the parents are aware that it is intended for use on the floor and not in the cot.

You can find out more information about safer sleep for babies at www.lullabytrust.org.uk

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Wadding - The Thick of It

When talking about wadding (or batting as it is known in America) there are a few terms that need some explanation.

#### Material

The base material of a wadding is often one of the most important factors in making a choice. We split our wadding into three categories; **natural** (e.g. cotton) **man-made** (e.g. polyester) and **blended** (a combination of the first two).

#### Loft

The weight or thickness of wadding. This is a slightly vague term as it doesn't take into account the density of the material, but in general a high loft means it's thick, a low loft means it's thin.

#### Drape

The flexibility within a wadding. A good quality wadding should have natural drape, but the thickness will impact on this. Poor quality wadding can be too stiff to drape well.

#### Bearding

The wadding fibres separate and push through the quilt top. This can happen when using a combination of cheaper wadding, fabric and/or thread.

#### Construction

Whatever material is used for wadding if it is not processed in some way it will form clumps or become uneven. To avoid this manufacturers used a number of different methods, here are some of the most popular:

**Bonded**: The fibers are bonded together using heat or a resin. Thermal bonding uses a low melt fibre to hold it together. This can allow bearding but doesn't break down with washing as fast as resin bonded wadding. Resin bonded batting is made from a variety of fibres including polyester, cotton, and wool. Resin is applied to both sides then dried and cured. This makes it resistant to bearding.

Needle-punched: The wadding fibres are mechanically felted together by punching them with thousands of tiny needles. This causes it to be stronger and denser and lowers the loft (not so good for hand quilting).

Scrim: a lightweight binder that is needle-punched into the wadding to add strength, loft, and to prevent stretching and distorting. Quilting lines can be farther apart when using a wadding with scrim.

# It's a Touchy, Feely Thing!

Over the following pages you will find some detailed information of our wadding range. However, there is no real substitute for actually seeing and feeling the differences before making your decision so we produce wadding sample packs that are very popular, especially with patchworkers who are new to the craft.



Wadding 4" Charm Pack Contains a selections of 18 waddings divided into two sections, "natural" and "man-made". The cover sheet for each section gives a brief description of each type. 7000CH, £4.50

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## Take It a Stitch Further

If you have spent weeks, months or years completing that beautiful quilt top you may want more reassurance that what you put in the middle is a worthy choice. The sample pieces in our Wadding Sample packs (next page) are much larger at approximately 35cm (14") square - big enough to sandwich between two pieces of fabric so that you can practise your quilting with your chosen thread to ensure you are happy with the result, Our larger Wadding Sample packs both contain nine different waddings cut to 35cm (14") square. Choose between "natural" or "man-made".

### Customer Review



Sample Pack. Super idea, brilliant to feel and be able to judge before you buy. I'm new to quilting and think this is a wonderful idea as I wouldn't have known where to start and only knew what others had used. Can't wait to buy Quilters Dream Orient now I've tried the sample. Thank you. T Byron - Lincoln



#### Natural Wadding Sample Pack (8890)

Hobbs Heirloom Premium Hobbs Heirloom Wool Quilters Dream Cotton Request Quilters Dream Cotton Select Quilters Dream Cotton Deluxe Quilters Dream Blend Warm and Natural Quilters Dream Orient Blend Quilters Dream Wool

#### Man-made Wadding Sample Pack (9496)

Quilters Dream Green Hobbs Polydown Hobbs Heirloom Black Hobbs Thermore Quilters Dream Poly Request Quilters Dream Poly Select Vlieseline Thermolam Soft and Bright Dream Puff



# Natural Wadding Fibres

Natural fibres include cotton, wool and silk. Some quilters prefer to use a natural fibre simply because it is, well, natural!

Natural fibres will have a tendency to shrink slightly, which may be a desired effect. Over time they may acquire the puckered look of an antique quilt. Fibres such as wool have properties that cannot be matched by man-made alternatives. Polyester wadding is good at retaining heat, but that is not a desired quality in the height of Summer. Wool however, has the ability to remain cool in Summer, but provide warmth in Winter.

Note that this section includes wadding where a majority of natural fibres are blended with a man-made element.

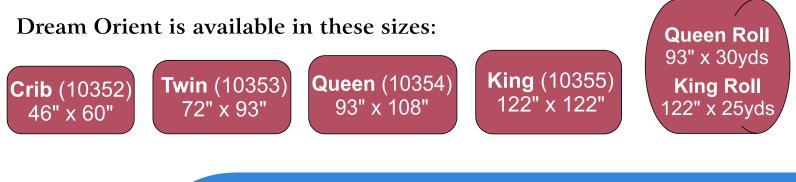
QUILTERS DREAM ORIENT A luxurious blend of natural fibres Quilters Dream Orient Batting is a luxurious blend of velvety Bamboo, luscious silk, strong silky Tencel® and the highest grade soft stable Cotton. The elegant silky soft drape makes Dream Orient a batting beyond compare!



| Loft<br>(Approx.) | Shrinkage  | Quilting<br>Max | Distance<br>Min | Pre-Wash         |
|-------------------|------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|
| 1/16"             | 3%         | 8"              | 1/4"            | Not necessary    |
| Hand Quilti       | ng Machine | e Quilting      | Dark Fabric     | cs Light Fabrics |
| Excellent         | Excell     | lent            | Very Good       | Excellent        |

Dream Orient's natural environmentally friendly fibers are carded, crosslapped and finely needlepunched to give the most desirable qualities of softness, strength, warmth and breathability. Machine wash and dry with cool water/cool dryer - shrinkage approximately 3% on first washing.

Bamboo - a velvety soft fibre with unique antibacterial qualities.
Silk - the strongest natural fibre. Dream Orient contains high quality Tussah 'Peace' silk, which is stronger and more resilient than white silk.
Botanic Tencel - strong and resilient yet soft, made from environmentally friendly eucalyptus wood pulp derived from sustainable tree farms.



# TUSCANY COLLECTION

Hand folded silk wadding for the discerning quilter.

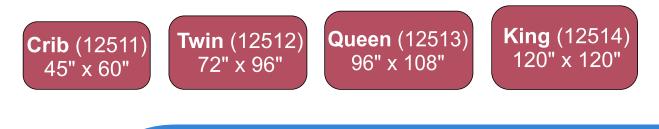


| Loft<br>(Approx.) | Shrinkage  | Quilting<br>Max | Distance<br>Min               | Pre-Wash                      |
|-------------------|------------|-----------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1/8"              | 3-5%       | 4"              | 1/4"                          | Not necessary                 |
| Hand Quilti       | ng Machine | Quilting        | Dark Fabric                   | s Light Fabrics               |
| Excellent         | Excell     | ent             | Excellent<br>Test with Fabric | Excellent<br>Test with Fabric |

Tuscany Silk batting is supple, soft and drapes like no other batting. The luxurious feel is ideal for both quilts and garments. Silk has the natural ability to breath, making it an excellent choice for airy, lightweight quilts and coverlets. It provides excellent warmth with very little weight.

Tuscany Silk is a blend of 90% very fine imported silk filaments and 10% fine polyester. It is carded and resin bonded to help retard bearding and fibre migration. Unlike other silk waddings, it need not be handled with gloves or encased in cheesecloth. It quilts magnificently by hand or machine. For best results, Hobbs recommend hand washing in cool water and drying flat.

#### Tuscany Silk is available in these sizes:



## A note about Pre-Cut Wadding

Most of the wadding we sell comes in pre-cut packs like those shown below. The very nature of wadding, its volume and the way it traps air, means it is a relatively bulky product. Storing and shipping bulky items is expensive so the manufacturers try to limit this by packing the wadding as tightly as possible. When you receive your wadding remove it from the bag and allow it some time to return to its natural state. A few minutes in the tumble drier on a low heat setting can help to encourage this.

The Hobbs Tuscany Silk on the previous page is our most expensive wadding. The high silk content is the main reason for this, but it is also hand folded and sealed in larger bags. If you are specifically looking for a wadding that has virtually no creases from the outset we would recommend this.

Please note that where we offer a wadding as a whole roll we do not generally hold stock (please call to check). Delivery is usually within 6-8 weeks.

## QUILTERS DREAM COTTON

100% Pure Cotton 100% finest USA cotton there are <u>no</u> scrim, glues or other binders to add resistance. Quilters Dream Cotton is a Cotton Patch favourite. It is available in three weights, Request, Select and Deluxe

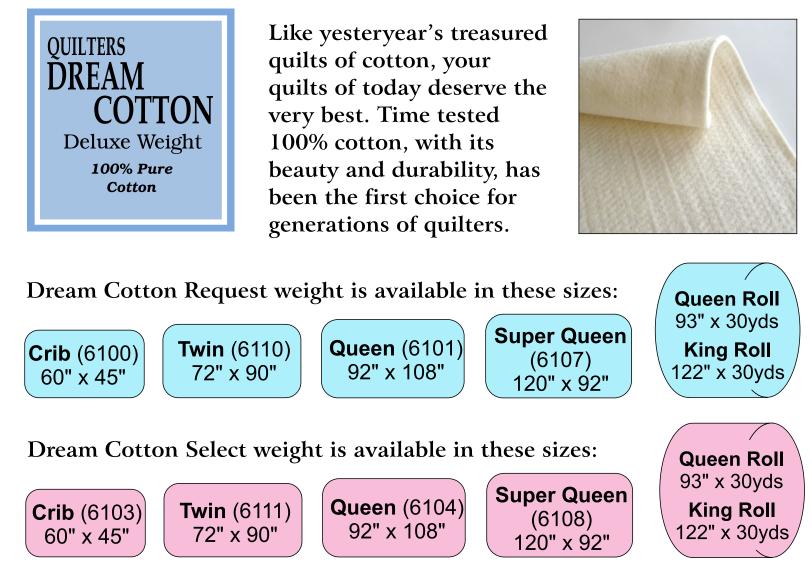


| Dream<br>Weight | Loft<br>(Approx.) | Shrinkage     | Quiltin<br>Max | g Distance<br>Min | Pre-Wash         |
|-----------------|-------------------|---------------|----------------|-------------------|------------------|
| Request         | 1/16"             | 1%            | 8"             | -                 | Not recommended  |
| Select          | 3/32"             | 1%            | 8"             | -                 | Not recommended  |
| Deluxe          | 1/8"              | 1%            | 8"             | -                 | Not recommended  |
| Dream<br>Weight | Hand<br>Quilting  | Mach<br>Quilt |                | Dark<br>Fabrics   | Light<br>Fabrics |
| Request         | Excellent         | Goo           | od             | Good              | Excellent        |
| Select          | Excellent         | Exc           | ellent         | Good              | Excellent        |
| Deluxe          | Not Recommer      | ided Exc      | cellent        | Good              | Excellent        |

**Request:** a lightweight and consistent batting developed especially for hand quilters - ideal for fine micro-stitching with an excellent drape. Handle gently for making lovely domestic machine quilts. Excellent for light-weight summer quilts, hand quilted projects, and wearables.

**Select:** versatile, use for both hand and machine quilting with a soft drape. Perfect for most quilting projects, mid-weight drapeable quilts, and wearables.

**Deluxe:** Provides superb warmth and weight offering extra emphasis for quilting. Great for machine quilting weighty quilts, wall-hangings, bags, and craft projects.

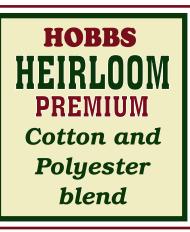


## Dream Cotton Deluxe weight is available in these sizes:

**Crib** (6106) 60" x 45"



Quilters Dream Cotton is a natural, off-white colour. We also have it available in pure white, making it ideal for wholecloth quilts and quilts made from very light fabrics. Dream Cotton White is only available in *Request* and *Select* weights in Queen (108" x 92") and King (121" x 121"). Dream Cotton is carded, crosslapped and specially needlepunched (there are no scrims, glues or binders) for a fine, consistent wadding. 100% natural and environmentally friendly. It is warm in the winter (thermal value R=3.8) yet wicks moisture away from the body to keep you cool in the summer. The finished quilt may be machine washed and dried. Shrinkage is minimal.



Heirloom Premium Cotton Blend is made from 80% long staple cotton fibers and 20% fine polyester. This combination of fibers creates a strong, longwearing wadding and is very easy to handle.

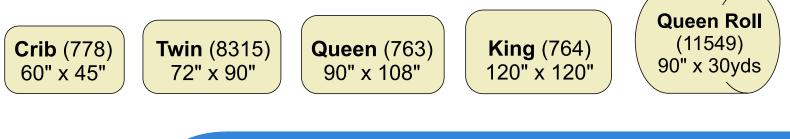


| Loft<br>(Approx.)          | Shrinkage   | Quilting<br>Max | Distance<br>Min | Pre-Wash                    |
|----------------------------|-------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|
| 1/8"                       | 3-5%        | 4"              | 1/4"            | Not recommended             |
| Hand Quilti                | ing Machine | e Quilting      | Dark Fab        | rics Light Fabrics          |
| Excellent<br>Test with Fab |             | ellent          | Excelle         | nt Good<br>Test with Fabric |

Hobbs Heirloom Premium Cotton is lightly needle punched and treated with a soft resin to provide stability to the fibres and prevent the polyester from bearding. This process makes it easy to quilt by hand.

Heirloom Premium Cotton will give your projects the traditional flat look of antique quilts without the need for excessive quilting. The cotton is a breathable fiber that provides warmth and comfort. Heirloom Premium Cotton is easy to quilt by hand or machine and drapes beautifully. Quilt as close as <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>" and as far apart as 4". Close quilting will be very flat, while more space between the quilting lines will yield a slightly higher loft.

Heirloom Premium is available in these sizes:





Premium Black is the same 80/20 blend as Heirloom Premium, but made using dyed cotton fibres.

Note that Heirloom Black appears in our Man-Made Wadding Sample pack. Sizes available:

**Queen** (8906) 90" x 108"

**King** (8907) 120" x 120"

Washing tips from Hobbs:

Use a very gentle detergent that does not contain phosphorus. Using your washing machine as a vehicle for water, wash in cool water. Agitate manually. A 15 minute wash time is sufficient. Rinse in tepid water until all the detergent is removed, agitate manually. Spin excess water out.

Dry quilts flat - dryers can be very damaging to wadding as well as the dyes on the fabric.

When the quilt is barely damp place in the dryer for a few minutes to soften the fibres.



## **Worm** & Natural

Perfect for quilts and wearables 100% cotton fibres needlepunched onto a strong, thin polyester base (total cotton content 87.5%). Quilt or tie up to 10" apart. It is stable enough to also use as an exterior craft fabric.

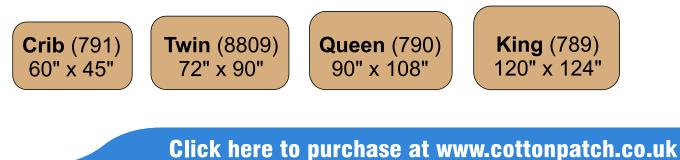


| Loft<br>(Approx.)     | Shrinkage   | Quilting<br>Max | Distance<br>Min | Pre-Wash                 |
|-----------------------|-------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------------------|
| 3/32"                 | 3-5%        | 10"             | 1/2"            | Not necessary            |
| Hand Quilti           | ing Machine | e Quilting      | Dark Fabric     | s Light Fabrics          |
| Good<br>Test with Fab | Exce<br>ric | llent           | Very Good       | Good<br>Test with Fabric |

Use Warm & Natural right out of the package, as pre-washing is not necessary. It is cleaned mechanically rather than using harsh chemicals. This leaves tiny plant particles which are too small to affect your quilting or harm your quilt, but gives this wadding its unique look. It is a very stable wadding so you can quilt or even tie up to 10" apart. It is also stable enough to also use as an exterior craft fabric.

Expect 3% shrinkage when washing a finished quilt in cold water for the first time. To achieve an antique puckered look use warm water for 5% shrinkage. It won't distort when hanging, hooping or when used in quilt frames.

#### Warm & Natural is available in these sizes:





## DREAM Blend

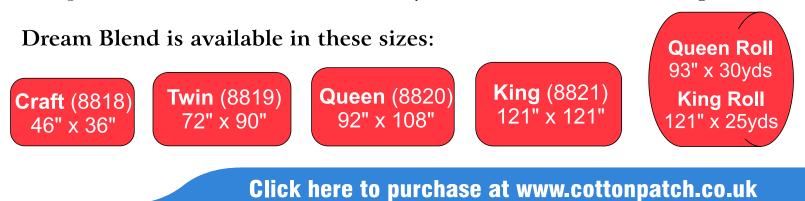
70% cotton, 30% polyester, for machines Dream Blend for Machines is 70% Cotton blended with 30% Fine Denier Poly Microfibers creating the perfect batting especially developed for machine quilting.

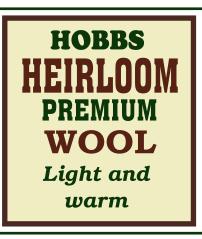


| Loft<br>(Approx.) | Shrinkage  | Quilting<br>Max  | Distance<br>Min | Pre-Wash        |
|-------------------|------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 1/16"             | 1%         | 12"              | 1/4"            | Not necessary   |
| Hand Quilt        | ing Machin | Machine Quilting |                 | s Light Fabrics |
| Good              | Exce       | llent            | Very Good       | Excellent       |

Dream Blend is soft, very clean and drapeable yet strong and stable. It will not stretch, pucker of bunch with normal handling. It is great for tied quilts, wallhangings and crafts and may be used as an outer material for crafts.

High grade natural cotton are mechanically cleaned then blended with polyester microfibres - fine silky fibres that imitate natural fibres in softness, drape and breathability and give volume for easier washability, quicker drying and reduced shrinkage. The cotton/poly is then needlepunched onto an ultralight polypropylene scrim that adds a layer of stabilized strength to reduce distortion. To maintain the soft suppleness of the quilt, dry on low temperatures, do not use commercial dryers and use a low iron setting.





Heirloom Premium Wool provides superb insulation without adding weight. It beats polyester because it is also breathable, allowing heat to disperse away from the body in warmer seasons.



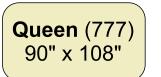
| Loft<br>(Approx.)           | Shrinkage  | Quilting<br>Max | Distance<br>Min | Pre-Wash                         |
|-----------------------------|------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|
| 1/3"-1/2"                   | 3-5%       | 8"              | 1/4"            | Not recommended                  |
| Hand Quilti                 | ng Machine | Quilting        | Dark Fabr       | ics Light Fabrics                |
| Excellent<br>Test with Fabr | Exce       | ellent          | Very Goo        | od Excellent<br>Test with Fabric |

The tiny fibres trap air which creates insulation in this lightweight wadding. Loft retention is excellent as the fibres stick together to create airspaces. Wool can absorb up to 30% of its own weight in moisture without feeling damp. In addition, wool waddings are naturally mildew resistant and resistant to moth damage when quilted with cotton fabrics.

Heirloom Wool is made with chlorinated treated wool to inhibit shrinkage. Quilts can be washed by hand or using the gentle cycle of the washer. When washing use a very gentle wool detergent. Treat the quilt as if it were a fine cashmere sweater. Use lukewarm water only for both washing and rinsing.

Heirloom<sup>®</sup> Wool batting is lightly resin bonded to provide stability and reduce fibre migration and bearding.

#### Available in these sizes:



**King** (8156) 120" x 120"



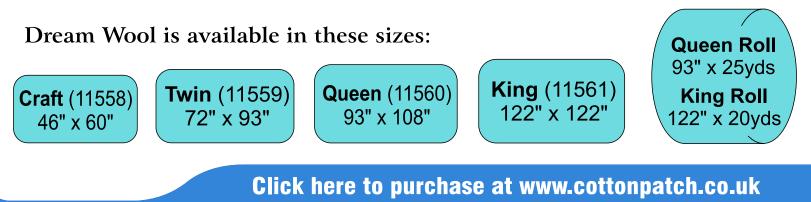
light and warm wool/ poly blend Dream Wool is made with a scoured and super washed domestic & fine Merino Wool that has been thermally bonded with polyester to create a Light, luxurious and wonderfully warm wadding.



| Loft<br>(Approx.) | Shrinkage  | Quilting<br>Max | Distance<br>Min | Pre-Wash           |
|-------------------|------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| 1/3"-1/2"         | Minimal    | 4"              | 1/4"            | Not recommended    |
| Hand Quiltir      | ng Machine | Quilting        | Dark Fabi       | rics Light Fabrics |
| Excellent         | Exce       | llent           | Good            | Excellent          |

The wool is scoured and super-washed for superior cleanliness and to eliminate shrinkage. Thermal Bonding is an an environmentally friendly process (no chemical resin binders) that interlocks the fibres through the use of heat energy. For Dream Wool a special fine denier low melt polyester is used for the thermal bonding. Fibre content is approximately 60% wool/40% polyester . The result is a wadding with exceptionally soft drape, uniformity and strength that is resistant to creases (fluff in a cool dryer with a damp cloth for just a few minutes to remove any creases).

Due to the polyester content Dream Wool should not be ironed or used in a hot dryer.



# Man-Made Wadding Fibres

Where wadding contains a manmade fibre it is almost exclusively polyester. This is derived from polyethylene, a non-renewable source.

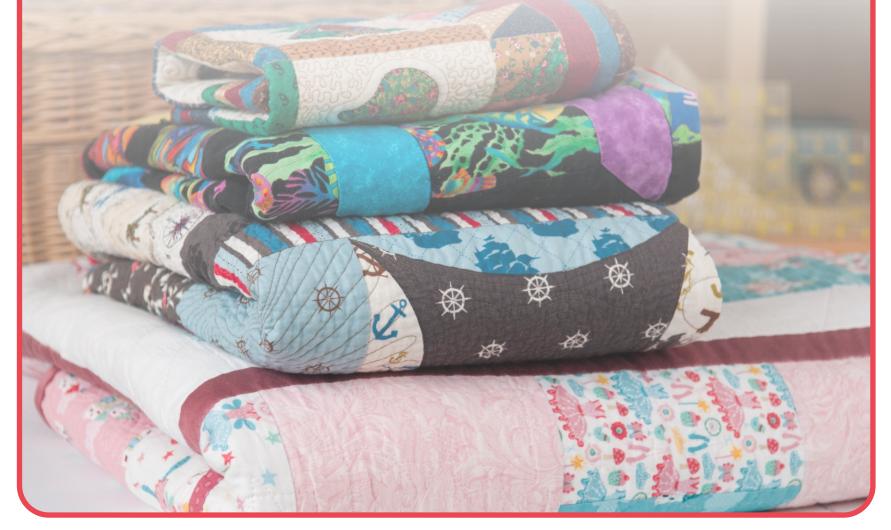
While polyester is not breathable like many natural fibres it is an excellent choice if you are looking for a thick, but very lightweight quilt. It comes in the widest range of lofts and, as detailed in the "Natural" section, is sometimes blended with cotton to offer the desirable qualities of both fibres. Polyester wadding has the advantage of being non-allergenic so is a good choice for anyone who is allergic to natural fibres. Other advantages of polyester include:

Durable and retains it shape well.

No shrinkage - an excellent choice if you wish to minimise shrinkage.

Good thermal properties and a wide choice of lofts.

Less expensive than natural fibres.



# FUSIBLE

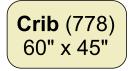
A fusible wadding has a thin layer of glue applied to one or both sides of the wadding. It offers an alternative to basting your quilt with pins, thread or a basting

gun. Perfect for small projects or a project you need to complete quickly. For larger projects or projects that will be quilted over a longer period of time we would recommend you choose one of the more secure, traditional methods.



Heirloom Fusible will temporarily iron onto other materials that can also be ironed. If desired, front and back can be ironed separately, or at the same time if that is more convenient. Use the "cotton" setting. This is not permanent and can be peeled off and reattached if needed. **Do not** prewash Fusible otherwise it will become non-fusible! When washed the product becomes similar to Heirloom Premium 80/20.

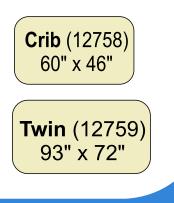
Heirloom Premium Fusible is available in these sizes:



**Queen** (763) 90" x 108"



## Dream Fusible is available in:



An 80% Cotton/20% Polyester wadding combined with a heat activated base (on one side only) . Simply layer with fabric, iron and the quilt top or bottom will be seamlessly fused for exceptional ease of quilting.

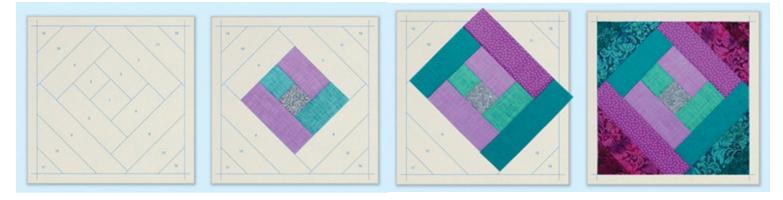
Quilters Dream use a fusible material that does not have resins, glue, 'bumps' or glue dots. Keeping it soft and better for the environment. Dream Fusible is a mid loft wadding (similar to Select weight) that imparts volume and definition to quilting. Tie, hand quilt and machine quilt - as far apart as 8". Finished quilt may be machine washed and dried. Use cool water and cool dryer. Shrinkage is approximately 2-3%.



This wadding is pre-printed with a block design that allows you to quilt the block as you sew! The wadding is an 80% cotton /20% polyester mix. It is a mid loft, but the

package includes no other information on it so we have not included a comparison table.

The wadding comes pre-printed with one of three different block designs - see next page. The concept is quite straightforward: cut your fabric, sew by number (like foundation piecing) then assemble the blocks, adding sashing as you go. It's an effective way to create a quick and accurate quilt that's quilted as you go.

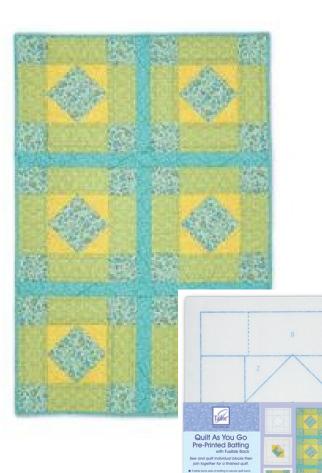


Full full instructions on how it works watch the video below.



### London Labyrinth (right)

Pre-printed wadding that includes six, 12" finished size blocks to make a 24" x 36" quilt. Add more packs to make a larger quilt. 12948



## Fair and Square (left)

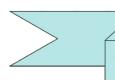
Pre-printed wadding that includes six, 12" finished size blocks to make a 24" x 36" quilt. Add more packs to make a larger quilt. *12950* 

### Hopscotch (right)

Pre-printed wadding that includes six, 12" finished size blocks to make a 24" x 36" quilt. Add more packs to make a larger quilt. *12951* 

All blocks can be rearranged to create a different effect.





## COTTON PATCH

## WADDING COMPARISON CHART

| Key:                             | $\checkmark$      | Excelle                | ent               | √ G               | ood       | X No                      | t Reco                    | omme             | nded                |                  | * Tes           | t First      |              |
|----------------------------------|-------------------|------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------|---------------------------|---------------------------|------------------|---------------------|------------------|-----------------|--------------|--------------|
| COTTON PATCH                     | Natural<br>Fibres | Man-<br>Made<br>Fibres | Blended<br>Fibres | Loft<br>(approx.) | Shrinkage | Max<br>Stitch<br>Distance | Min<br>Stitch<br>Distance | Hand<br>Quilting | Machine<br>Quilting | Light<br>Fabrics | Dark<br>Fabrics | Fusible      | Pre-<br>Wash |
| Hobbs Heirloom<br>Premium Cotton |                   |                        | $\checkmark$      | 1/8"              | 3-5%      | 4"                        | 1/4"                      | <pre></pre>      | $\checkmark$        | √ *              | $\checkmark$    | X            | No           |
| Hobbs Heirloom<br>Wool           |                   |                        | $\checkmark$      | 1/2"              | 3-5%      | 8"                        | 1/4"                      | $\checkmark$     | $\checkmark$        | $\checkmark$     | $\checkmark$    | X            | No           |
| Hobbs Tuscany<br>Silk            | $\checkmark$      |                        |                   | 1/8"              | 3-5%      | 4"                        | 1/4"                      | $\checkmark$     | $\checkmark$        | <pre></pre>      | *               | X            | No           |
| Hobbs Heirloom<br>80/20 Black    |                   |                        | $\checkmark$      | 1/8"              | 3-5%      | 4"                        | 1/4"                      | $\checkmark$     | $\checkmark$        | X                | $\checkmark$    | X            | No           |
| Hobbs<br>Poly-Down               |                   | $\checkmark$           |                   | 1/4"              | Min       | 4"                        | 1/4"                      | $\checkmark$     | $\checkmark$        | $\checkmark$     | $\checkmark$    | X            | No           |
| Hobbs Heirloom<br>Fusible Cotton |                   | $\checkmark$           |                   | 1/8"              | 3%        | 4"                        | 1/4"                      | $\checkmark$     | $\checkmark$        | $\checkmark$     | $\checkmark$    | $\checkmark$ | No           |
| Hobbs Thermore                   |                   | $\checkmark$           |                   | 1/16"             | Min.      | 9"                        | 1/4"                      | $\checkmark$     | $\checkmark$        | $\checkmark$     | $\checkmark$    | ×            | No           |
| Quilters Dream<br>Cotton Request | $\checkmark$      |                        |                   | 1/16"             | 1%        | 8"                        | -                         | $\checkmark$     | ~                   | $\checkmark$     | ~               | X            | No           |
| Quilters Dream<br>Cotton Select  | $\checkmark$      |                        |                   | 3/32"             | 1%        | 8"                        | -                         | $\checkmark$     | $\checkmark$        | $\checkmark$     | 1               | X            | No           |
| Quilters Dream<br>Cotton Deluxe  | $\checkmark$      |                        |                   | 1/8"              | 1%        | 8"                        | -                         | X                | $\checkmark$        | $\checkmark$     | ~               | X            | No           |
| Quilters Dream<br>Wool           |                   |                        | $\checkmark$      | 1/2"              | Min.      | 4"                        | 1/4"                      | $\checkmark$     | $\checkmark$        | $\checkmark$     | ~               | X            | No           |
| Quilters Dream<br>Orient         | $\checkmark$      |                        | $\checkmark$      | 1/6"              | 3%        | 8"                        | 1/4"                      | $\checkmark$     | $\checkmark$        | $\checkmark$     | 1               | X            | No           |
| Quilters Dream<br>Blend          |                   |                        | $\checkmark$      | 1/16"             | 1%        | 12"                       | 1/4"                      | ~                | $\checkmark$        | $\checkmark$     | $\checkmark$    | X            | No           |
| Quilters Dream<br>Green          |                   | $\checkmark$           |                   | 1/16"             | Min.      | 12"                       | 1/4"                      | $\checkmark$     | $\checkmark$        | $\checkmark$     | <pre> *</pre>   | X            | No           |
| Quilters Dream<br>Poly Request   |                   | $\checkmark$           |                   | 1/16"             | Min.      | 12"                       | -                         | $\checkmark$     | 1                   | $\checkmark$     | ~               | X            | No           |
| Quilters Dream<br>Poly Select    |                   | $\checkmark$           |                   | 3/32"             | Min.      | 12"                       | -                         | $\checkmark$     | $\checkmark$        | ~                | ~               | X            | No           |
| Midnight Dream<br>Poly Select    |                   | $\checkmark$           |                   | 3/32"             | Min.      | 12"                       | -                         | $\checkmark$     | $\checkmark$        | X                | $\checkmark$    | X            | No           |
| Quilters Dream<br>Puff           |                   | $\checkmark$           |                   | 1/3"+             | Min.      | 10"                       | 1/4"                      | $\checkmark$     | $\checkmark$        | $\checkmark$     | ✓ *             | X            | No           |
| Quilters Dream<br>Fusible        |                   |                        | $\checkmark$      | 1/8"              | 2-3%      | 8"                        | 1/4"                      | $\checkmark$     | $\checkmark$        | $\checkmark$     | $\checkmark$    | $\checkmark$ | No           |
| Soft & Bright                    |                   | $\checkmark$           |                   | 1/4"              | Min.      | 10"                       | -                         | $\checkmark$     | $\checkmark$        | $\checkmark$     | √ *             | X            | No           |
| Vlieseline Cotton<br>Mix         |                   |                        | $\checkmark$      | 1/8"              | 3%        | 4"                        | 1/4"                      | $\checkmark$     | $\checkmark$        | $\checkmark$     | $\checkmark$    | X            | No           |
| Vlieseline<br>Thermolam          |                   | $\checkmark$           |                   | 1/8"              | Min.      | 8"                        | -                         | ~                | $\checkmark$        | $\checkmark$     | $\checkmark$    | X            | No           |
| Warm & Natural<br>Cotton         | $\checkmark$      |                        |                   | 3/32"             | 3-5%      | 10"                       | 1/2"                      | ✓ *              | $\checkmark$        | 1                | $\checkmark$    | X            | No           |
| COTTON PATCH                     | Natural<br>Fibres | Man-<br>Made<br>Fibres | Blended<br>Fibres | Loft<br>(approx.) | Shrinkage | Max<br>Stitch<br>Distance | Min<br>Stitch<br>Distance | Hand<br>Quilting | Machine<br>Quilting | Light<br>Fabrics | Dark<br>Fabrics | Fusible      | Pre-<br>Wash |

## QUILTERS DREAM GREEN

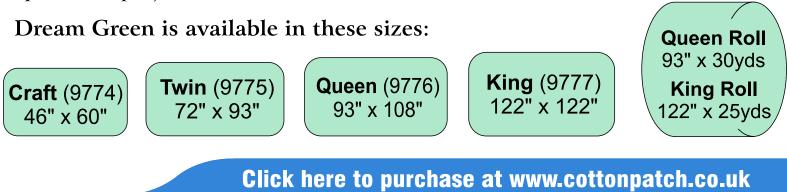
100% Polyester from recycled bottles A soft, cozy wadding made 100% from recycled plastic bottles! Dream Green meets the highest standards of quality, function and performance. Your needles will glide through this unique eco-friendly wadding.



| Loft<br>(Approx.)          |             |          | Distance<br>Min | Pre-Wash                         |
|----------------------------|-------------|----------|-----------------|----------------------------------|
| 1/16"                      | Minimal     | 12"      | 1/4"            | Not recommended                  |
| Hand Quilti                | ing Machine | Quilting | Dark Fabr       | rics Light Fabrics               |
| Very Good<br>Test with Fab |             | llent    | Very Goo        | od Very Good<br>Test with Fabric |

Dream Green has been carded, crosslapped and needlepunched for uniformity, strength, and resiliency. There is no scrim or resins yet you can stitch up to 12" apart! Wrinkle resistant and can be machine washed and dried.

Each pound of Dream Green wadding keeps 10 plastic bottles out of landfill. Plastic bottles are cut into chips, washed, melted and extruded into fine polyester fibres. These recycled fibres are indistinguishable from "virgin" polyester fibre yet are made without depleting precious natural resources. To avoid additional processing the soft "natural" green bottle colour is retained – but rest assured that Dream Green is colourfast and suitable for the finest quilts and projects.



## HOBBS POLY-DOWN

Premium Polyester, easy to quilt Poly-Down wadding is made with very fine white denier polyester that provides a lovely, soft drape and makes this batting exceptional for hand quilting.



| Loft<br>(Approx.) | Shrinkage  | Quilting<br>Max | Distance<br>Min            | Pre-Wash          |
|-------------------|------------|-----------------|----------------------------|-------------------|
| 1/4"              | Minimal    | 4"              | 1/4"                       | Not recommended   |
| Hand Quiltin      | ng Machine | Quilting        | Dark Fabr                  | ics Light Fabrics |
| Excellent         | Exceller   | nt              | Excellent<br>Test with Fat |                   |

Poly-Down is resin bonded to provide added durability and resist bearding and migration. It is machine washable, non-allergenic and maintains loft. It has more loft than Quilters Dream Poly (see next page).



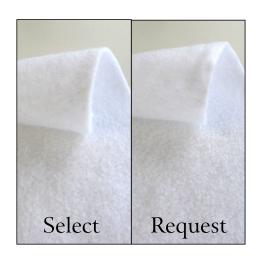
Hobbs Thermore has similar qualities to Poly-Down, but has a flatter loft (1/16") and quilting can be up to 9" apart. It was originally designed for clothing and miniatures. Available in 90" x 108" Queen size (765) or by the metre (759).

Hobbs Polydown is available in these sizes:

**Crib** (779) 46" x 60" Full (758) 81" x 96" **Queen** (757) 90" x 108" **King** (756) 120" x 120" **Queen Roll** (11550) 90" x 30yds

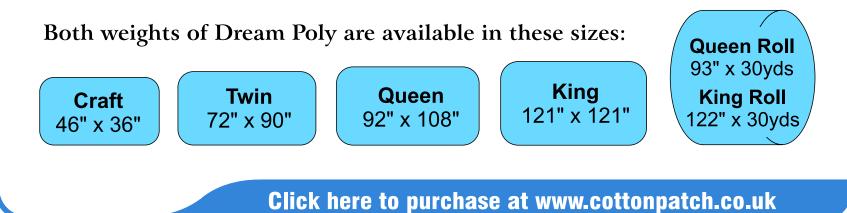
## QUILTERS DREAM POLY

You won't believe it's Polyester! Like natural fibers, this soft fine polyester resists bearding, and is warm, yet breathable. Dream Poly resists bunching and shifting and is strong enough to stitch up to 12". Available in two lofts.



| Dream<br>Weight | Loft<br>(Approx.) | Shrinkage     | Quiltin<br>Max | g Distance<br>Min | Pre-Wash         |
|-----------------|-------------------|---------------|----------------|-------------------|------------------|
| Request         | 1/16"             | Minimal       | 12"            | -                 | Not recommended  |
| Select          | 3/32"             | Minimal       | 12"            | -                 | Not recommended  |
| Dream<br>Weight | Hand<br>Quilting  | Mach<br>Quilt |                | Dark<br>Fabrics   | Light<br>Fabrics |
| Request         | Excellen          | t Goo         | d              | Good              | Excellent        |
| Select          | Very Go           | od Exce       | llent          | Good              | Excellent        |

Dream Poly has an exclusive blend of polyester microfibers (very fine denier that resists bearding) giving it a very soft handle, exceptional drape, breathability. You will feel the difference! The combination of a special needlepunch processing (similar to Dream Cotton) and the use of the finest microfibers eliminates the need for resins, glue or plastic scrims as stabilizers; allowing the needle to glide smoothly through this fine wadding.





## QUILTERS DREAM PuFF

Light as a feather yet warmer than down! Dream Puff adds volume and definition to your quilting without adding weight. For additional loft, Dream Puff can be layered. It will not shrink and resists creases and fold lines.



| Loft<br>(Approx.) | Shrinkage  | Quilting<br>Max | Distance<br>Min             | Pre-Wash         |
|-------------------|------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|------------------|
| 1/3"+             | Minimal    | 10"             | 1/4"                        | Not recommended  |
| Hand Quiltin      | ng Machine | Quilting        | Dark Fabri                  | cs Light Fabrics |
| Excellent         | Excelle    |                 | Very good<br>Test with Fabr |                  |

Dream Puff is a pure white, lusciously light batting with exceptional insulation and a soft resilient loft. Dream Puff is 1.5 times warmer than down and almost twice as warm as high loft polyester waddings. So light, breathable and wonderfully comfortable, you will be amazed at dream puffs superior insulation. Dream Puffs 100% special fine denier poly MicroFibres are thermally bonded and 'sealed' for a light airy resilient batting.

Excellent for hand and machine quilting and also perfect for tied quilts, trapunto, wearables and crafts.





Soft and Bright is made from premium grade polyester fibres that are fluffy and soft to the touch. There is no shrinkage and it dries very quickly so it is ideal for quilts that will be washed frequently.

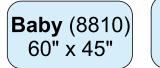


| Loft<br>(Approx.) | Shrinkage  | Quilting<br>Max | Distance<br>Min        | Pre-Wash         |
|-------------------|------------|-----------------|------------------------|------------------|
| 1/4"              | Minimal    | 10"             | -                      | Not recommended  |
| Hand Quiltin      | ng Machine | Quilting        | Dark Fabri             | cs Light Fabrics |
| Excellent         | Very Go    |                 | Good<br>Test with Fabr | Excellent        |

Soft & Bright consists of premium grade polyester fibres, needle-punched into a strong paper thin base material that holds the fibres in place, keeping the wadding even and consistent. It can be quilted or tied up to 10" apart.



Soft & Bright is available in these sizes:



**Twin** (8811) 72" x 90" **Queen** (8812) 90" x 108"

## **VLIESELINE 272 THERMOLAM**

Thermolam is an internally bonded and compressed polyester. This creates a heavier weight, soft and compact wadding with a loft of approximately 1/8" that has good heat and cold insulation properties. Thermolam is only available by the metre and is 90cm wide.



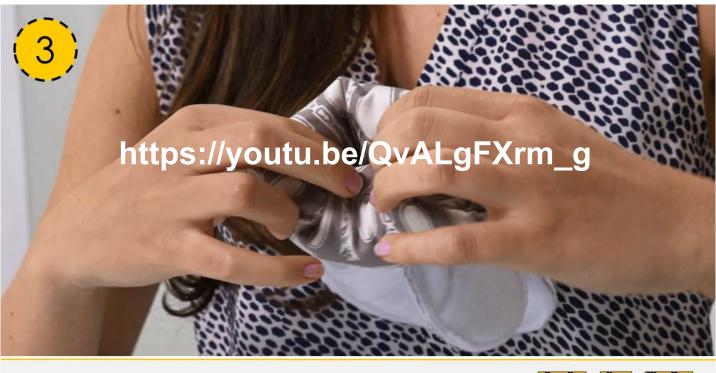
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Thermolam is suitable for patchwork and quilting (spacing can be up to 8" apart). It is also suitable for use in chair covers and in pot holders, pot mats and as an ironing pad (provided at least two layers are used where high temperatures are involved). The video below shows how to make an oven glove using Thermolam.



272 Thermolam

# **Insul-Fleece**

Insul-Fleece is a polyester fleece layered with a metalised Mylar to create a high quality barrier that reflects heat and cold. It is ideal for lunch bags, water bottles and coffee cup sleeves, oven mitts and pot holders, teapot and casserole covers and ironing board covers.





The mylar is woven onto the fleece so it is very flexible and easy to sew through. Once sewn into a project it can be machine washed and tumble-dried with no bunching.

Insul-Fleece is available as a single sheet pack, approximately 27" x 45" (69 x 114cm). 10319

## Fusible Batting (Wadding) Tape

If you have pieces of wadding left over from a project don't throw them away, use Marti's Choice Batting Tape to join the pieces together! It won't gum up machine needles and is soft enough to needle easily by hand.

Marti's Choice Fusible Batting Tape is available in two sizes: 2 inch wide, 30 yards long, 1 roll per package. Single Sided Fusible tape (10625)

1 inch wide, 30 yards long, 2 rolls per package. Single Sided Fusible tape (10624)





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