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Baby Bedding – Where Do I Begin?

By Lynn Marie

>From Sports to Snoopy baby bedding, from Lily to Lace baby bedding - today's parents-to-be are faced with an enormous amount of baby bedding choices on the web. Many parents use their crib bedding selection as the focal point of the nursery. They choose the perfect bedding for their baby then build the room off the colors of the selection.

As a parent you are left with the question of "Where do I even begin?"

The best way to tackle your search is to LIMIT your search. Here are some tips on helping you narrow down your search:

1.Start with a Theme – Think about a baby bedding theme you would like for your nursery – Sports, animal/jungle, floral, stripes and plaids, and moon and stars are just a few of the examples you will find. Once you have a theme, you are headed in the right direction.

2.Is our baby a boy or girl or ??? If you know your going to be having either a boy or a girl, this part should be very easy! However if you are waiting for the surprise, There are many selections listed as "neutral" gender so you can choose a theme that is suitable for either a boy or a girl. Some parents wait to find out the sex of their babies first and then buy there bedding choice, but why wait? choose a neutral gender baby bedding collection for your baby to be.

3.Is my Crib Bedding In Stock? Some crib bedding can take a few weeks to arrive for at your door because most bedding is a special order drop shipped from the manufacturer. However, there are many many bedding items IN STOCK and AVAILABLE TO SHIP TODAY.

4.Know Your Vendors - There are at least 25 different bedding vendors, some with over 80 bedding collections in all. To learn a bit more about two of our top selling vendors Lambs & Ivy and Kids Line, see below.

Lambs & Ivy: For over 25 years, Lambs and Ivy has dedicated themselves to being in tune with the changing trends and tastes of new parents. Our Lambs & Ivy collections offer a unique combination of

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contemporary designs with old fashioned workmanship, personal service, and attention to detail.

Kids Line: At the core of each of Kids Line products is a commitment to design, quality, comfort and safety. Kids Line's team of designers is among the most exciting and dynamic in the baby bedding industry.

5. **Accessorize!** – Last but not least, you don't want to forget about the baby bedding accessories! Your baby bedding may be the focal part of the room, but it's the bedding accessories that bring it all together. Some main examples many parents choose for the baby's room are listed below:

·Hamper ·Diaper Stacker ·Window Valance ·Musical Mobile ·Wall Border ·Lamp ·Night Light
·Rugs ·Switch Plate Covers

Safety Note: You want the coziest bedding for your baby but here's what you need to know about

safety. Although you may see some soft pillows or stuffed animals that look adorable with your matching set, keep them out of the crib! These and any other soft items can pose as a suffocation hazard for your baby.

You may also want to consider a sleeper or other sleep clothing as an alternative to blankets or quilts.

Hopefully this article has helped you in your search for the best bedding collection on the web. Choosing the right Baby Bedding may only be one baby step in the journey of what is to come, but remember – it's all those little baby steps that get you where you want to go!

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Baby Age's Baby Bedding section.

Lovely Custom Bedding For Your Baby

By Kimberly Thane

The ultimate luxury for you and your baby is custom baby bedding. When you are decorating the baby's nursery, you may have a crib size that is non-standard or an absolutely different wall finish or wallpaper that does not match with bedding that is readily available. So you can try to find custom baby

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bedding either on–line or in a store near your home. You will see that the price of custom bedding is not very high - even frequently less than full–blown designer sets.

The primary importance should be given to the baby's comfort and safety when considering custom baby bedding. The fabric used should be washable again and again, colorfast, durable, and it should be 100% cotton. A nice feature would be resistance to stain. Things like fringe or appliqué should be best avoided because they may get loose easily and enter the baby's mouth causing choking. Chenille is a fabric, which may appear to be more desirable, but you should give it a miss in favor of smoother and simpler fabrics.

Know your options when you are out shopping for your baby. Get the price of baby beddings from different designers and also ask them if you have any query. If you provide the designer with your own fabric, then you can do so. Then the designer must reduce the final cost of the baby bedding as per the calculations. The baby should feel comfortable - do not lose sight of the fact by putting more stress on style. As an instance an infant does not need pillows, so skip it. There is a debate about crib bumpers - some think it is important to keep the baby away from the hard surface of the crib, and some think that it poses a similar threat of choking like the pillows.

So keep your eyes open about costs, get a reputed designer and be prepared. It may take four to six weeks to finally get hold of the completed baby bedding, but it will be worth the wait when you it is going to be according to your choice in terms of concept, color and fabric.

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