

Nappy Covers/Wraps

If using a 2 part system, you will need a waterproof cover over your nappy.

You'll only need 4-5 wraps of each size as you don't need to wash them every time - often just a wipe down will be fine if they haven't been soiled.

Materials

In the past, this involved using a horrible crinkly, plastic cover which wasn't breathable and consequently kept baby really hot and sweaty.

No More!!

A newer high-tech material called polyurethane laminate (PUL - polyester bonded to urethane laminate) is now used for waterproof wraps and is incredibly soft, breathable and stretchy, making it very comfortable for your baby.



Other wrap materials include **polyester fleece** and **wool**.

Fleece

Fleece wraps are becoming more popular as a night time wrap. Fleece allows moisture to evaporate and therefore keeps the nappy area cool. They are a great choice for babies with sensitive skin and eczema. Although, not waterproof, fleece is water repellent and as long as the wrap is absorbent enough, you shouldn't experience any leaks.

Wool

Environmentally friendly, 100% natural, waterproof and breathable, wool wraps are ideal for babies with extra sensitive skin.

- An ideal night-time choice as they do not need washing every time - they can just be air dried ready for the next night. They will only really need washing when they get soiled. Wool is best used at night as compression wicking might happen when baby is up and about (moisture pushed through the wool when baby is sitting for a length of time).
- Wool is a natural insulator to keep you warm in winter and naturally breathable to keep you cool in summer.
- Wool is naturally antibacterial due to lanolin - a pale yellow oil found on sheep's wool. Lanolin also gives wool its water resistant property.
- Wool wraps come in 2 forms the first being in the shape of a conventional wrap with poppers or a Velcro fastening the other being knitted wool in the shape of shorts or trousers.
- They need to be hand washed in olive soap and re lanolised every 3-4 washes.

Do get in touch if you're interested in wool wraps - we can get them made to order and personalised - even in a bee stripe!

HunnyHelp - Which wrap to choose?

Fastenings : 'hook and loop' (velcro-style) or poppers

Hook and Loop

- quick and easy to adjust
- easy to put on a wriggling toddler
- but, wriggling toddlers can undo fairly easily! (as they can with disposable fastenings)
- gives a smoother slimmer fit

Poppers

- can give a better fit as they are adjustable at the waist and legs separately -this does depend on the size of your baby though - can be better for babies with thin legs and a tubby waist or vice versa
- (mainly) toddler-proof - although a determined 2 year old can get through eventually! - this shouldn't be a problem if nappy worn under clothes
- can be a bit fiddly to do up - especially on wriggling toddler

Leg Gussets

- these are very good for containment - not all wraps have leg gussets but they are another line of defence against our common enemy, the runny pool!

Sized/ One Size

- Sized wraps are great for achieving a snug fit but can be a pricey option
- One size wraps come in lots of lovely colours and are a good value option - they can be adjusted down so still give a good fit

So there's lots of choice!

And it's also difficult if you're deciding to get real nappies whilst pregnant as you won't know if they're going to have chunky legs/be a wriggly baby etc! Some people like to buy some popper and some hook and loop in the first size so they can give both a go and see which they prefer.

Bottom line - all the wraps we sell have been tried and tested at Hunnybums HQ and they all work really well - so you can't really go wrong- it's really just down to preference.

If you're still stuck, do get in touch and we'll do our best to help further. Contact advice@hunnybums.com.