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Chimparoo Woven Wrap Baby Carrier #Review #NewbornCloth Event

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[Chimparoo](#) is a Canadian company based in Quebec that was established in 2007. Chimparoo was the first Canadian manufacturer of 100% Oeko-tex cotton woven baby wraps. They have 50 retailers around the world and offer a wide range of baby carriers all designed and MADE IN CANADA! They have seven different types of carriers: woven wraps, stretch wraps, ring slings, mei-tai, versatile (shirt carrier), trek and multi (athletic carriers). All come in gorgeous colors. Chimparoo also sells nursing shirts and a winter pouch for carriers.



{Chimparoo Woven Wrap}



- Comes in 4 lengths

- Short Wrap (2.5 meters by 0.7 meters) = (98 inches by 27.5 inches)
- Kangaroo Wrap (3.6 meters by 0.7 meters) = (141.7 inches by 27.5 inches)
- **Regular Wrap (4.5 meters by 0.7 meters) = (177 inches by 27.5 inches)**
- Extra-Long Wrap (5.2 meters by 0.7 meters) = (205 inches by 27.5 inches)
- 100% first quality cotton woven in cross twill certified Oeke-Tex standard 100.
- Diagonally flexible with no stretch in the length for maximal strength and easy adjustment
- No toxic products or heavy metals
- Can be used from birth to 4 years old
- Embroidered pattern in the center to help locate the middle of the wrap
- The edges of the wrap are made of different colored ribbing to quickly identify the top or bottom portion of the wrap.
- Wide range of carry positions: back, belly, hip
- Machine wash and dry-able
- Comes with a user's guide DVD
- Downloadable 38 page illustrated user's guide
- MADE IN CANADA
- \$94.00 for the regular length
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{Watch My Video Review and Demonstration}

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DqG6OStTYNc>

Tummy Cross-Wrap (Frog Position)

The Chimparoo woven wrap was the first wrap baby carrier that I had ever tried. I was very interested in wraps as they looked so versatile and babies always looked so cozy in them.

There are seven gorgeous wrap [color combinations](#) from Chimparoo. It was difficult choosing the one I liked best. I finally settled on the Iris color combo as blue and purple are my favorite colors.

I have used many different structured carriers in the past and thought I was a pro at babywearing but I must admit I was intimidated when I first took the Chimparoo wrap out of the box. It is LONG, 4.5 meters or 177 inches long.

Chimparoo offers a free downloadable 38 page PDF file containing instructions for all of the knots possible with each wrap they carry. I skimmed through it and determined that the tummy cross wrap (frog position) would be the best to try with my newborn. I actually practiced with a teddy bear a few times while I was pregnant. Yes, I was that impatient to hold my new baby!

Once my son was here I tried it out right away. All wraps also comes with a DVD with videos demonstrating how to do the different wraps. I watched the video and started to attempt the tummy-frog position. Well, I will say that wraps in general do have a downfall when you also have a 2 year old. The entire time I was trying to follow the video's instructions, my toddler was running around playing peek-a-boo with the ends of the wrap and tugging on them! Can you say, frustrating?

I eventually got it wrapped after much sweating and grumbling. This was about 5 days postpartum. I bet you mamas can picture it.

We then went for a walk in the woods near my house and the wrap was extremely comfortable. The knots all stayed firm and the baby did not sag at all. Sagging in a carrier is something that really bothers me. I have a stretchy carrier of a different type and whenever my son is in it for any length of time he sags down and I am constantly adjusting his face because it gets buried in my cleavage. Not a very comfortable time for either of us.

Since the wrap is long, while you are wrapping, the two ends drag on the ground making it dirty quickly. This is kind of annoying but is an aspect of all wraps. The great thing about Chimparoo wraps is that they are machine wash and dry-able. I have washed it and it came out of the dryer looking as good as new. No color fading or pilling.



Since I was not used to the wrap I hesitated to bring it with me at first. I went for a 4 day vacation with my family and didn't bring it because I was worried I would forget how to wrap it properly and I wanted to go hiking. I brought the previously mentioned stretchy carrier and spent the entire hike staring at my chest to make sure my baby could breathe. I really wish I had brought my Chimparoo!

I love that this baby carrier can be used from birth to 4 years old. It is so important when buying something that you can get your money's worth out of it. 4 years of use is a great investment, not to mention you can use it with all of your children under 4. In my case I can use it with my newborn and with my 2 year old just by changing the knot.

After 2 months of use I can honestly say that I love this woven wrap. I have the tummy-frog position down pat and can wrap my baby up very quickly (normally more quickly than in the video review). I take it every where with me now. When I go shopping, visiting, hiking or walking in the woods. This baby carrier is great for any activity I want to do. It is one of my diaper bag essentials now. I never leave home without it.



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A wrap does have a high learning curve but once you have tried it a few times you will see how easy it actually is and how convenient it is to have a dozen different carriers in one. I have just perfected the tummy-frog carry and will now branch out into the other knots. I am excited to try it with my 2 year old, he loves to be in a baby carrier and I am sure he will enjoy being snugly wrapped against me.

Unless you use the cradle position I find it hard to breastfeed in the carrier. Since it is not stretchy you cannot easily adjust the carrier for nursing. I have done it but it wasn't hands free nursing and I was not very comfortable. Also, if you do not do the wrap correctly you have to completely unwrap and rewrap to get it right. So the fabric does have its pros and cons.

The Chimparoo woven wrap is a very high quality carrier. It is made right here in Canada, which is rare to find these days. This wrap costs \$94.00 CDN which seems like a lot until you consider it is still less expensive than other carriers and you can use it for the first FOUR years of your baby's life. You are also not confined to just one type of carry. You can use the same carrier on your back, front or hip. I definitely believe the Chimparoo Canadian-made woven wrap is worth the money. If you don't think a wrap is for you check out the other awesome [six carrier types](#) made by Chimparoo, they have something for everyone!



[Chimparoo Woven Wraps](#) – \$72.00 to \$98.00 (depending on length)
Free shipping on any order over \$100 in Quebec or Ontario.

I was sent this woven wrap free of charge from Chimparoo to facilitate this review. All opinions expressed are my own and 100% honest. Your experience with the product may not be the same as mine. I will NOT be compensated for sales of this or any other Chimparoo products.