



Knit Blanket Square

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Blanket Square Size: 10" x 10"
(25.4 x 25.4 cm)

Yarn: any DK, light worsted weight, or equivalent yarn (i.e. fingering weight held double) that makes gauge.

Recommended Needle: US 6 (4 mm) or size needed to achieve gauge.

Gauge: 18 sts and 30 rows over 4" (10cm) in pattern.

Supplies: tapestry needle, stitch markers

Special Abbreviations

This is a list of the special abbreviations. Please refer to [Knitting Abbreviations Master List by the Craft Yarn Council](#)

k – knit

p – purl

pm – place marker

RS – Right Side

sk2p – Slip 1 stitch knitwise, knit 2 stitches together, pass slipped stitch over

sm – slip marker

st (sts) – stitch (stitches)

WS – Wrong Side

yo – yarn over

Sample was made with Cascade 220 Superwash Merino in the following colors:

Side and Border Color (**SBC**), No. 13 Lime (Lt Green)

Background Color (**BC**), No. 15 Treetop (Kelly Green)

Contrast Color (**CC**), No. 28 Black

Main Color (**MC**), No. 25 Off White.

Special Instructions

Before casting, cut a 7-yard length of **SBC** color and wind it into a butterfly or a bobbin to use after the bottom border is completed.

Pattern Instructions

With SBC, cast on 55 stitches using the twisted German cast on (also known as Old Norwegian and elastic long tail)

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

<https://nimble-needles.com/stitches/how-to-do-the-german-twisted-cast-on/>

Bottom border: Using SBC, knit 8 rows until there are four garter bumps. Bottom border is now completed.

Body section:

Row 1: Knit the first four stitches using SBC. Now join BC and knit the next 47 stitches. Join the SBC that you have reserved on a bobbin or butterfly and knit the last four stitches. The first and last four stitches will be knit in SBC throughout.

How to join colors in the middle of a row without leaving a gap:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rhZwpgysm58&t=25s>

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Row 2: Knit the first four stitches using the SBC. Bring the BC under the SBC and purl the next 47 stitches using the BC. Knit the last four stitches in SBC.

Rows 3 – 6: Work these rows in stockinette stitch using the SBC and BC colors as established in rows 1 and 2. Four SBC knit stitches on each side and 47 BC stockinette stitches between the two sides.

Row 7: Start the sheep chart at the 13th stitch from the right edge. The SBC chart numbers in the bottom row are highlighted to show where to place the "feet" stitches of the sheep. The numbers in black boxes show placement for the bottom and top rows of 3 sheep. The numbers in blue boxes show placement of the sheep in the middle row of two sheep. If you want 3 sheep in each row just repeat the bottom part of the chart.

Notes: The sheep pattern can be worked using either the Fair Isle or Intarsia methods. If you use the Fair Isle method, you will work with three colors in most rows. If you choose to use the intarsia method, you can carry the BC color and use intarsia only for the sheep. This pattern includes video resources for both methods.

Yardage estimates for the sheep if you use the intarsia method:

Color for body of sheep: 84 inches

Color for feet and face of sheep: 48 inches

Using the established colors for the right and left borders and for the body background, work the bottom section of the chart. These sheep use the MC for the body and the CC for the feet and face. When the bottom row of sheep is completed, knit 3 rows in stockinette, then start the chart for the middle row of sheep using CC for the body and the MC for the feet and face.

After the middle row of sheep is completed, work three more rows of stockinette, then start the top row of sheep using the same chart section and color scheme as for the first row of sheep. Or bust your stash and work each sheep in a different color scheme!!

When all the sheep are done, knit 7 rows stockinette in the established border and center using SBC and BC. After last row, cut the BC color. Using SBC only, knit 8 rows giving you 4 garter bumps to match the bottom border.

Bind off all stitches.

Weave in ends and block to 10" x 10" square. Enjoy!

Video Resources:

Fair Isle Continental or throwing style knitting

<https://nimble-needles.com/tutorials/fair-isle-knitting-tutorial-for-beginners/>

Fair Isle English or throwing style knitting, holding yarn in both hands, catching floats

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=V3v4fOodH0k>

Fair Isle English style with both yarns in the right hand, catching floats

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pJWitK_AM_g

Intarsia

https://www.google.com/search?q=intarsia+knitting&oq=intarsia+kneeint&gs_lcrp=EgZjaHJvbWUqDwg

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