

December Blanket-A-Long



~a Kelli Slack Pattern ~

Blankets are especially fun to make and when it comes to sampler blankets, the patterns and size are the key. This sampler of 24 patterns can be made to any size based on the number of squares you knit. As is, the blanket would be the perfect size for a baby, crib, or toddler blanket. Knit a second version of twelve of the squares and you have a nice size lap blanket. Continue to add squares and make your own 'knitted quilt' for your bed. It really is up to you!

For new knitters, this is a great way to work your way through more advanced stitches and "learn as you go." For more experienced knitters, you might find yourself refreshing old skills. This pattern is meant for beginning knitters to experienced knitters and all those in-between. Please read the entire pattern before beginning. **Note: Knit your squares to six inches even if you don't bind off where I have indicated.**

Yarn: 12 Skeins Erika Knight Gossypium Cotton, 100% Cotton, 1308 yards

Needle: US 4 (3.5 mm) Hiya Hiya Circular needles or needles to obtain gauge

Gauge: 6.75 stitches per inch (spi) and 9 rows per inch (rpi) OR 27 stitches & 36 rows to 4 inches/10 cm in stockinette

Size: 30 inches wide by 36 inches long, but as large as you want to make it with extra squares.

To alter the size: Add or subtract squares as desired to make your blanket larger or smaller. Each square is knit or crocheted to be 6 inches square.

Pearl Brioche

CO 24, with color #506 French. Follow Chart, repeat stitches between red lines/*'s 10 times. Work chart once, then repeat rows 2-5 eleven more times. Purl one row. BO.

Row 1 (rs): s, *k2,* k3

Row 2 (ws): s, p1, yf, sl1yo, *p1, yf, sl1yo,* p1

Row 3 (rs): s, *brk, k1,* brk, k2

Row 4 (ws): s, yf, sl1yo, p1, *yf, sl1yo, p1,* p1

Row 5 (rs): s, *k1, brk, *k1, brk, k1

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Plain Brioche

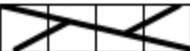
CO 22, with color #500 Milk. Follow Chart, repeat stitches between red lines/*'s 10 times. Work chart once, then repeat rows 2-3 nineteen more times. BO.

Row 1 (rs): s, *k1, yf, sl1yo,* k1

Row 2 (ws): s, *brk, yf, sl1yo,* p1

Row 3 (rs): s, *brk, yf, sl1yo,* k1

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| Key | |
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|  1/1tbl (RS) slip first stitch to cable needle and hold in front, k1tbl, knit stitch on cable needle through back loop (ws) slip second stitch to cable needle and hold in back, purl first stitch through back loop, purl stitch on cable needle through back loop (WS) slip first stitch to cable needle and hold in front, k1tbl, knit stitch on cable needle through back loop (ws) slip second stitch to cable needle and hold in back, purl first stitch through back loop, purl stitch on cable needle through back loop |  SK2P sk2p (RS) Slip K2tog PSSO (WS) Slip purl2 tog PSSO |
|  1/1 Left Cross 11lc (RS) Sl 1 to front, k1, k st from cn (WS) Sl 1 to back, p1, p st from cn |  Slip With Yarn In Back slip wyib (RS) yarn in back (WS) Slip stitch as if to purl, holding yarn in the front |
|  1/1 Right Cross 11rc (RS) Sl 1 to back, k1, k st from cn (WS) Sl 1 to front, p1, p st from cn |  Slip With Yarn In Front slip wyif (RS) Slip stitch as if to purl, holding yarn in the front (WS) yarn in back |
|  brk (RS) knit the stitch together with its yarn over (WS) knit the stitch together with its yarn over |  Slip Slip Knit ssk (RS) slip, slip, knit slipped sts together (WS) slip, slip, purl slipped sts together |
|  Cable 4 Left c4l (RS) Sl 2 sts to f, k2, k2 from cn (WS) Sl 2 sts to b, p2, p2 from cn |  Twist 2 Front t2f (RS) Cross 1st in front over 2nd st, p1, k1 tbl (WS) Cross 1st in front of 2nd st, p1 tbl, k1 |
|  Cable 4 Right c4r (RS) Sl 2 sts to b, k2, k2 from cn (WS) Sl 2 sts to f, p2, p2 from cn |  Twist 2 Left t2l (RS) Cross 1st st in front, p1, k1 (WS) Cross 1st st in front, p1, k1 |
|  Knit k (RS) Knit (WS) Purl |  Twist 2 Right t2r (RS) Cross 2nd st in front, k1, p1 (WS) Cross 2nd st in front, k1, p1 |
|  K1 tbl k1 tbl (RS) K1 tbl (WS) P1 tbl |  No Stitch x (RS) No Stitch (WS) No Stitch |
|  Knit 2 Together k2tog (RS) Knit 2 stitches together (WS) Purl 2 Together |  yf, sl1yo (RS) Yarn over and slip the next stitch on the needle purlwise, do not drop the yarnover or the slipped stitch (WS) Yarn over and slip the next stitch on the needle purlwise, do not drop the yarnover or the slipped stitch |
|  Purl p (RS) Purl (WS) Knit |  Yarn Over yo (RS) Yarn Over (WS) Yarn Over |
|  Slip s (RS) Slip (WS) Slip | |