FREE KNITTING PATTERN

Easy Basketweave Knit Blanket

Knit and purl only, with a garter border · lap and throw · US terms

SKILL LEVEL	SIZES	NEEDLES
Beginner	**36.3 × 47.6 in, 51.1 × 59.6 in**	**US 10.5 (6.5 mm) circular**
YARN	**STITCHES**	**TIME**
Bulky (#5)	**Knit, purl**	**About 20–35 hours**

Materials

- Bulky (#5) yarn, soft acrylic or wool blend: lap 1290 yd (10 skeins of 137 yd), throw 2270 yd (17 skeins of 137 yd)
- US 10.5 (6.5 mm) circular needle, 32 in long (worked flat: it just holds all the stitches)
- 2 stitch markers, tapestry needle

Abbreviations

k	knit	**RS**	right side
p	purl	**WS**	wrong side
st(s)	stitch(es)	***...***	repeat

Gauge: 13 sts × 20 rows = 4 in in basketweave (see 'What's assumed'). Place markers after the first 5 and before the last 5 sts for the border.

Lap blanket (36.3 × 47.6 in)

Cast on	Cast on 118 sts with a long-tail cast on.	**(118)**
Rows 1–8	Knit every row (garter border).	**(118)**
Block A (6 rows)	Rows 1, 3, 5 (RS): K5, *k4, p4*; repeat 13 times, k4, k5. Rows 2, 4, 6 (WS): K5, *p4, k4*; repeat 13 times, p4, k5.	**(118)**
Block B (6 rows)	Rows 1, 3, 5 (RS): K5, *p4, k4*; repeat 13 times, p4, k5. Rows 2, 4, 6 (WS): K5, *k4, p4*; repeat 13 times, k4, k5.	**(118)**
Body	Work Block A and Block B alternately until you have 37 blocks (19 A and 18 B, starting with A and ending with A).	**(118)**
Last 8 rows	Knit every row (garter border).	**(118)**
Bind off	Bind off loosely knitwise on the next RS row. Weave in the ends and block gently.	**(0)**

Throw blanket (51.1 × 59.6 in)

Cast on	Cast on 166 sts with a long-tail cast on.	**(166)**
Rows 1–8	Knit every row (garter border).	**(166)**
Block A (6 rows)	Rows 1, 3, 5 (RS): K5, *k4, p4*; repeat 19 times, k4, k5. Rows 2, 4, 6 (WS): K5, *p4, k4*; repeat 19 times, p4, k5.	**(166)**

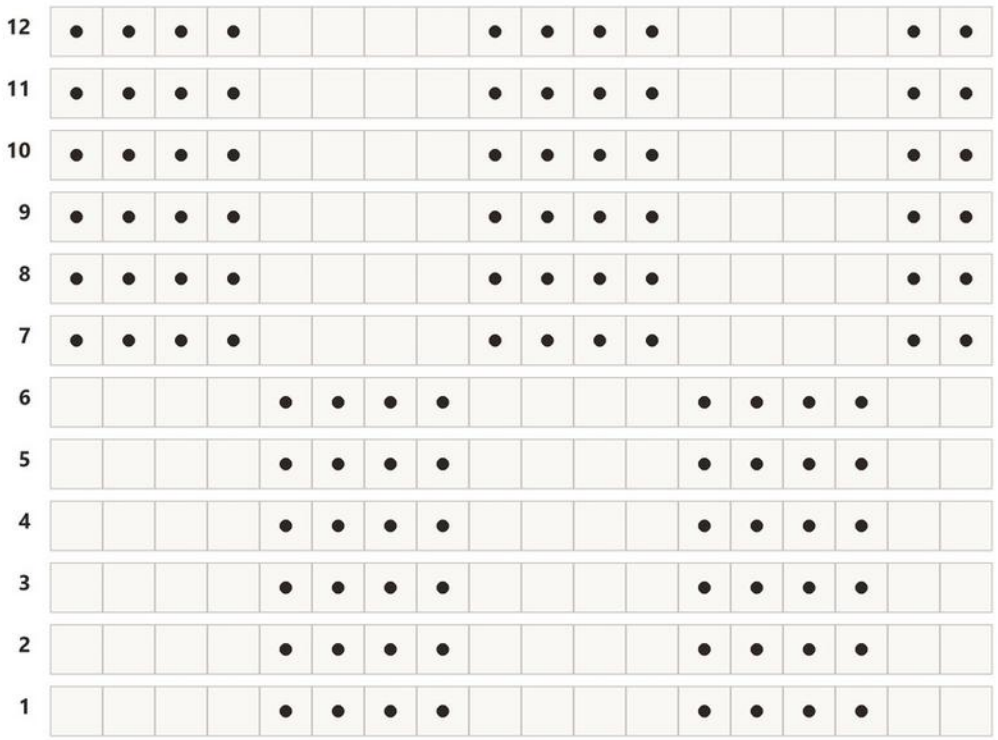
Block B (6 rows)	Rows 1, 3, 5 (RS): K5, *p4, k4*; repeat 19 times, p4, k5. Rows 2, 4, 6 (WS): K5, *k4, p4*; repeat 19 times, k4, k5.	**(166)**
Body	Work Block A and Block B alternately until you have 47 blocks (24 A and 23 B, starting with A and ending with A).	**(166)**
Last 8 rows	Knit every row (garter border).	**(166)**
Bind off	Bind off loosely knitwise on the next RS row. Weave in the ends and block gently.	**(0)**

What's exact, what's calculated

Exact	Every row of both sizes was worked stitch by stitch in the engine: the stitch count never changes.
Exact	The right side was checked stitch by stitch: garter ridges all round the edge, and 4-stitch × 6-row blocks of knit and purl that swap every block.
Exact	The body is a multiple of 8 plus 4, so every row starts and ends with the same block and the blanket is symmetric.
Calculated	Width, length, stitch and row counts come from the gauge below.
Calculated	Yarn: about 3.7 cm of yarn per stitch at this gauge + 5% for the purl blocks + 10% spare, rounded up.
Assumed	Gauge 13 sts × 20 rows = 4 in in basketweave is the usual bulky gauge on US 10.5 needles. Our Alize gauge file has no bulky basketweave record. Knit a 6 in swatch and change needle size if yours differs.

Basketweave · Knitting Chart

One repeat of the body as seen from the right side (empty box = knit V, dot = purl bump)



Blocks of 4 stitches × 6 rows swap between knit and purl.

On WS rows knit the bumps and purl the Vs you see.

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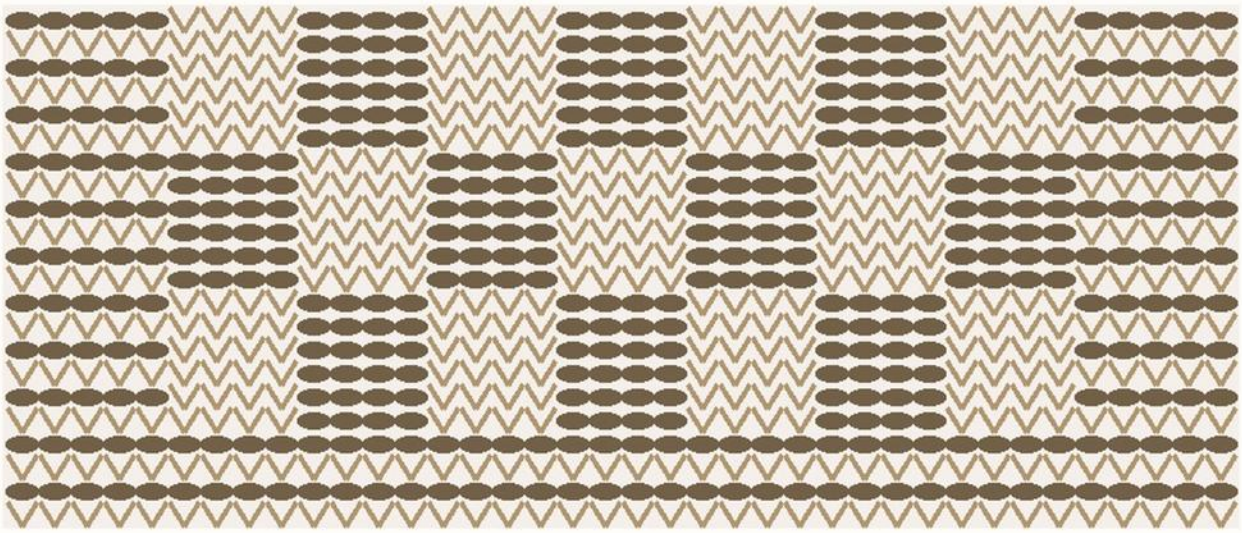
Basketweave · How It Looks

Simulated right side from the engine: garter border, 4-stitch blocks of knit and purl



Bottom corner shown: border + 3 bands of blocks. The purl blocks sink back, the knit blocks stand out.

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Basketweave Knit Blanket · Sizes

Bulky (#5) yarn, US 10.5 (6.5 mm) 32 in circular needle used flat · 13 sts × 20 rows = 4 in

Size	Finished	Cast on	Rows	Yarn	Skeins*
Lap	36.3 × 47.6 in	118 sts	238 rows	1290 yd	10
Throw	51.1 × 59.6 in	166 sts	298 rows	2270 yd	17

*Skeins of about 137 yd (5 oz). Buy all skeins from the same dye lot.

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