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# Plaid Dishtowels

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These Dishtowels are knit flat. Stitches are picked up around the towel and the edging is added after the main Towel is complete. Horizontal contrast stripes are knit as you go, while the vertical stripes are added at the end with a crochet hook. A circular needle is necessary for the stitch pattern.

## FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

**Width:** 16”
**Length:** 26”

## MATERIALS

**Premier® Yarns** *Premier Basix® Cotton* (100% Cotton; 3.5oz/100g, 154m/168yds)

- C1: 2210-15 Holly – 2 balls
- C2: 2210-02 Linen – 1 ball
- C3: 2210-08 Fuchsia – 2 balls
- C4: 2210-16 Light Blue – 1 ball

**Needle:** US Size 7 (4.5 mm) and US Size 6 (4 mm) 24” circular or size needed to obtain gauge
**Notions:** Tapestry needle, US Size 7 (4.5 mm) crochet hook

## GAUGE

20 sts x 26 rows = 4” in St st with larger needle
20 sts x 40 rows = 4” in Garter st with smaller needle
*Save time, check your gauge.*

## SKILLS/TECHNIQUES USED IN THIS PATTERN:

- Knit and purl stitches.
- Changing colors.
- Surface crochet stitches.
- Picking up and knitting stitches.

## STITCH GUIDE

**Plaid *(multiple of 8 sts + 3)***
*Note: This pattern is also charted at the end. Keep C1 attached throughout. Cut C2 after Row 7 of each instance of two C2 rows.*
**Row 1 (RS):** With C1, k2, *k2, p1, k1, p1, k3; rep from * to last st, k1.
**Row 2 (WS):** P1, *p3, k1, p1, k1, p2; rep from * to last 2 sts, p2.
**Rows 3-4:** Rep Rows 1-2.
**Row 5 (RS):** With C2, rep Row 1.
Slide sts to other end of needle to beg a RS row.
**Row 6 (RS):** With C1, rep Row 1.
**Row 7 (WS):** With C2, rep Row 2.
Slide sts to other end of needle to beg a WS row.
**Row 8 (WS):** With C1, rep Row 2.
**Row 9 (RS):** With C1, rep Row 1.
Rep Rows 2-9 for patt.

**Surface Crochet**
Make a slip knot and hold beneath work. With crochet hook on the right side of work, insert through the first purl stitch from front to back. Pull slip knot through to the RS of the work. *Insert hook through the next purl stitch in the column, pull up a loop and through the loop on the hook – 1 slip st made. Rep from * for entire column.

## DISHTOWEL

**Green Towel**
With C1 and larger needle, cast on 67 sts. Work in **Plaid** patt until piece measures approximately 24”, ending with Row 3 of patt. Bind off all sts with C1.

**Edging**
With C1 and smaller needle, pick up and knit 120 sts along long edge. Work in Garter st for 1”. Bind off all sts. Rep for other long edge. With C1 and smaller needle, pick up and knit 5 sts along side of Garter st edge, 67 sts along cast-on edge, and 5 sts along other Garter st edge – 77 sts. Work in Garter st for 1”. Bind off all sts. Rep for bind-off edge.

**Surface Crochet**
With C2, work **Surface Crochet** along all purl columns.

**Pink Towel**
Work as for Green Towel, substituting C3 for C1, and C4 for C2.

## FINISHING

Weave in ends. Wash and block.

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## ABBREVIATIONS

| | |
|---|---|
| **beg** | begin(ning) |
| **C** | color |
| **Garter st** | Knit every row. |
| **k** | knit |
| **p** | purl |
| **patt** | pattern |
| **rep** | repeat(ing) |
| **RS** | right side |
| **st(s)** | stitch(es) |
| **St st** | Stockinette stitch: knit on RS rows, purl on WS rows. |
| **WS** | wrong side |

## MEET THE DESIGNER



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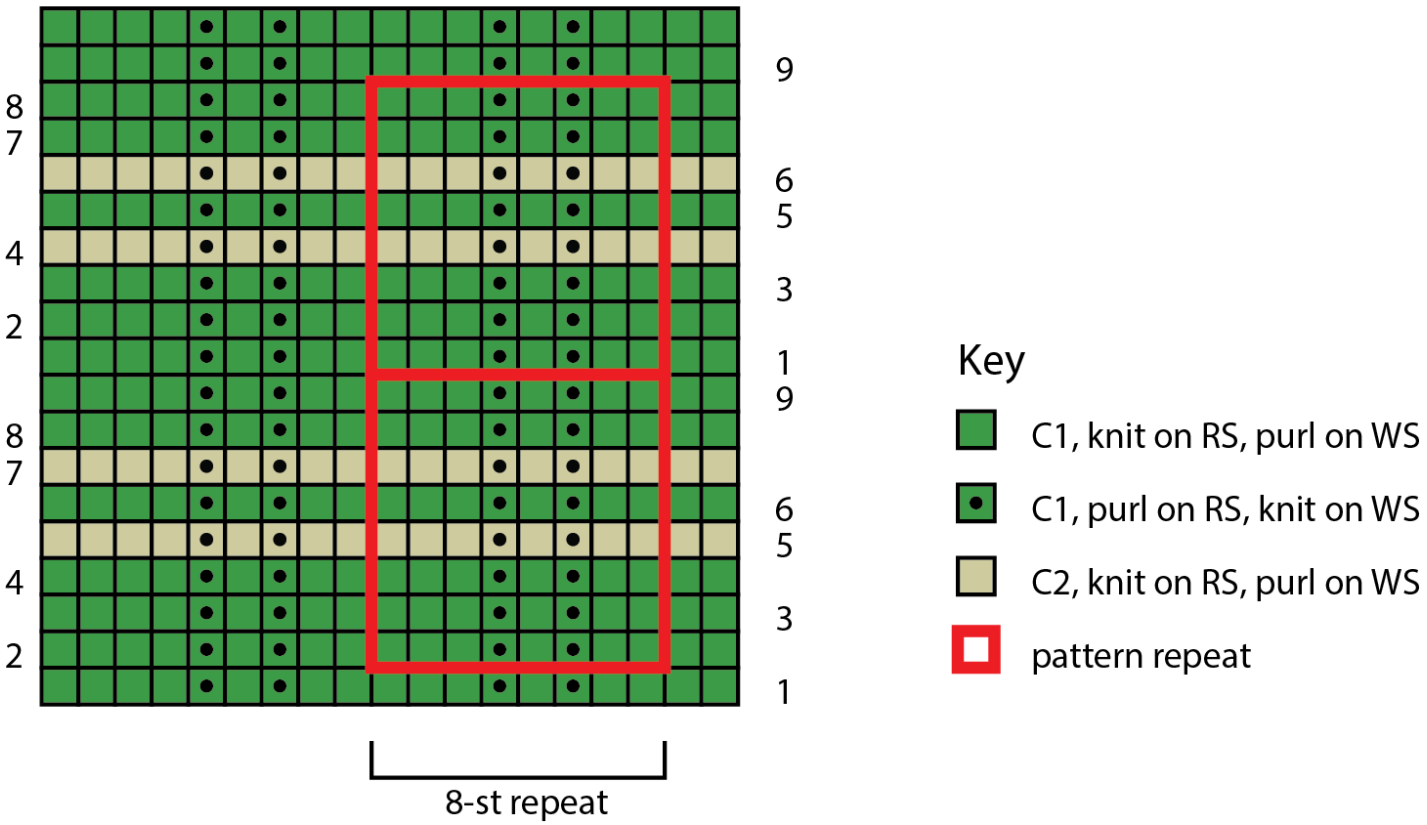
## PLAID STITCH CHART



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