

Diagonal Surprise Blanket

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

Width: 31" Length: 31"

MATERIALS

Premier® Yarns *DK Colors® Batik* (100% Acrylic; 5oz/140g, 383 yds/350m)

• 2053-13 Cloudy Day - 2 skeins

Needle: US Size 6 (4 mm) 29" circular knitting needle, or size needed to obtain gauge

Notions: Tapestry needle

GAUGE

22 sts x 28 rows = 4" in St st Save time, check your gauge.

Skills/techniques used in this pattern:

- Knit and purl stitches.
- Right and left leaning increases.
- Knit front, back and front increases.
- Right and left leaning decreases.

PATTERN NOTES

This blanket is worked flat diagonally, first increasing and then decreasing to create the shape. A circular needle is used to accommodate the large number of stitches.

BLANKET

Cast on 8 sts. Work 6 rows even in Garter st. **Row 1 (RS):** K3, [kfbf] twice, k3 – 4 sts inc'd, 12 sts total.

Row 2 (WS): K4, purl to last 4 sts, k4.

Row 3: K4, m1L, knit to last 4 sts, m1R, k4 –

2 sts increased.

Row 4: Work as for Row 2.

Rep last 2 rows 71 more times – 142 sts inc'd, 156 sts total.

Decrease Rows

Row 1 (RS): K4, ssk, knit to last 6 sts, k2tog, k4 – 2 sts dec'd.

Row 2 (WS): K4, purl to last 4 sts, k4. Rep Rows 1 and 2, 73 more times – 146 sts dec'd, 8 sts rem.

Work 6 rows even in Garter st. Loosely bind off all sts.

FINISHING

Weave in ends.

Abbreviations

dec('d) decrease(d)

Garter st Knit every row.

inc('d) increase(d)

k knit

kfbf knit into the front, back and front of

the next st (2 sts inc'd)

k2tog knit 2 sts together (1 st dec'd)

m1R make 1 stitch, right leaning (1 st inc'd)m1L make 1 stitch, left leaning (1 st inc'd)

rem remain(ing) rep repeat(ing) RS right side

ssk slip slip knit (1 st dec'd)

st(s) stitch(es)

St st Stockinette stitch: knit on RS rows, purl

on WS rows.

WS wrong side