



MATERIALS

Bernat® Blanket Extra™ (10.5 oz/300 g; 97 yds/87 m)
Velveteal (27008) **2 balls**

Set of four size U.S. 10½ (6.5 mm) double-pointed knitting needles **or size needed to obtain gauge.** Size U.S. 10½ (6.5 mm) circular knitting needle 16" [40.5 cm] long **or size needed to obtain gauge.** Size U.S. 10½ (6.5 mm) circular knitting needle 36" [91.5 cm] long **or size needed to obtain gauge.** Stitch marker.

 **KNIT | SKILL LEVEL: INTERMEDIATE**

ABBREVIATIONS

Alt = Alternate(ing)

Approx = Approximately

Beg = Beginning

Cont = Continue

K = Knit

K2tog = Knit next 2 stitches together

Kfb = Increase 1 stitch by knitting into front and back of next stitch

P = Purl

Rep = Repeat

Rnd(s) = Round(s)

RS = Right side

St(s) = Stitch(es)

Tog = Together

WS = Wrong side

Yo = Yarn over

MEASUREMENTS

Approx 12" [30.5 cm] diameter x 9" [23 cm] high.

GAUGE

7 sts and 12 rows = 4" [10 cm] in stocking st.

6.5 sts and 13 rows = 4" [10 cm] in garter st.

INSTRUCTIONS

Notes: Transfer sts onto shorter circular needle when necessary, and then onto longer circular needle when necessary.

BASE

With set of 4 needles, cast on 6 sts. Divide evenly over 3 needles. Join in rnd, placing marker on first st.

1st rnd: *Kfb. Rep from * to end of rnd. 12 sts.

2nd and alt rnds: Knit.

3rd rnd: *K1. Kfb. Rep from * to end of rnd. 18 sts.

5th rnd: *K2. Kfb. Rep from * to end of rnd. 24 sts.

7th rnd: *K3. Kfb. Rep from * to end of rnd. 30 sts.

9th rnd: *K4. Kfb. Rep from * to end of rnd. 36 sts.

11th rnd: *K5. Kfb. Rep from * to end of rnd. 42 sts.

13th rnd: *K6. Kfb. Rep from * to end of rnd. 48 sts.

15th rnd: *K7. Kfb. Rep from * to end of rnd. 54 sts.

17th rnd: *K8. Kfb. Rep from * to end of rnd. 60 sts.

19th rnd: *K9. Kfb. Rep from * to end of rnd. 66 sts.

20th rnd: Knit.

Do not cast off; leave project on larger circular needle.

SIDES

1st rnd: (RS). Knit.

2nd rnd: Purl.

Cont in garter st until work from beg measures approx 7" [20.5 cm] from base, ending on a purl rnd.

Next rnd: *K2tog. yo. K10. yo. K2tog. K19. Rep from * once more. Cont in garter st until work from beg measures approx 9" [23 cm] from Base.

Cast off.

I-Cord Handles

With double-pointed needles, cast on 3 sts. *K3. Slide sts to opposite end of needle. Rep from * until i-cord measures approx 18" [46 cm].

Break yarn and thread end through sts. Fasten securely.

Thread i-cord through yarn-over eyelets on sides of Basket to form Handles.

Knot each end of i-cord to secure.

