



CABLES AND CHECKS BLANKET AND PILLOW (TO KNIT)

MEASUREMENTS

BLANKET: Approx 35 x 45 ins [89 x 114.5 cm]

PILLOW: Approx 8 ins [20 cm] wide

MATERIALS

Patons Astra (50 g/1.75 oz)

BLANKET

Main color (MC) (Blue)	6	balls
Contrast A (Purple)	4	balls
Contrast B (Aqua)	2	balls

PILLOW

Main color (MC) (Blue)	1	ball	
Contrast A (Purple)	1	ball	
Contrast B (Aqua)	1	ball	

Size 4 mm (U.S. 6) knitting needles. Size 4 mm (U.S. 6) circular knitting needle 90 cm long for Afghan **or size needed to obtain tension**.

1 cable needle. Stuffing for Pillow.

TENSION

22 sts and 30 rows = 4 ins [10 cm] in stocking st.

ABBREVIATIONS

C6B = slip next 3 sts onto a cable needle and leave at back of work. K3, then K3 from cable needle.

Cr5B = slip next 2 sts onto a cable needle and leave at back of work. K3, then P2 from cable needle.

Cr5F = slip next 3 sts onto a cable needle and leave at front of work. P2, then K3 from cable needle.

MK = P2tog without slipping sts off needle, then K2tog over same sts.

Inc1P = inc 1 st purlways in next st. **Inc1K** = inc 1 st knitways in next st.

INSTRUCTIONS

BLANKET

STRIP A (make 2)

**With A, cast on 35 sts.

1st row: (RS). K4. *P3. K3. Rep from * to last st. K1. **2nd row:** P4. *K3. P3. Rep from * to last st. P1.

3rd row: As 1st row.

4th row: Purl.

5th row: K1. *P3. K3. Rep from * to last 4 sts. P3. K1. **6th row:** P1. *K3. P3. Rep from * to last 4 sts. K3. P1.

7th row: As 5th row.

8th row: Purl.

Rep last 8 rows 7 times more, then 1st to 4th rows once.

(68 rows in all).***

Proceed as follows:

1st row: With MC, knit.

2nd row: With MC, K1. *MK. Rep from * to end of row.

3rd row: With B. knit.

4th row: With B, *MK. Rep from * to last st. K1. Rep last 4 rows 14 times more, then 1st and 2nd rows

once. (62 rows in all).**



Rep from ** to ** once more, then from ** to *** once. Cast off.

STRIP B (make 2)

With MC, cast on 35 sts. **1st row: (RS). With MC, knit.

2nd row: With MC, K1. *MK. Rep from * to end of

row.

3rd row: With B, knit.

4th row: With B, *MK. Rep from * to last st. K1. Rep last 4 rows 14 times more, then 1st and 2nd rows once. (62 rows in all).***

With A, proceed as follows:

1st row: K4. *P3. K3. Rep from * to last st. K1. **2nd row:** P4. *K3. P3. Rep from * to last st. P1.

3rd row: As 1st row.

4th row: Purl.

5th row: K1. *P3. K3. Rep from * to last 4 sts. P3. K1. **6th row:** P1. *K3. P3. Rep from * to last 4 sts. K3. P1.

7th row: As 5th row.

8th row: Purl.

Rep last 8 rows 7 times more, then 1st to 4th rows once.

(68 rows in all).**

Rep from ** to ** once more, then from ** to *** once. Cast off.

STRIP C (make 3)

With MC, cast on 22 sts. **1st row:** (WS). K8. P6. K8. **2nd row:** P8. C6B. P8.

3rd and alt rows: Knit all knit sts and purl all purl sts

as they appear.

4th row: P6. Cr5B. Cr5F. P6. **6th row:** P4. Cr5B. P4. Cr5F. P4. **8th row:** P2. Cr5B. P8. Cr5F. P2.

10th and 12th rows: P2. K3. P12. K3. P2.

14th row: P2. Cr5F. P8. Cr5B. P2. **16th row:** P4. Cr5F. P4. Cr5B. P4. **18th row:** P6. Cr5F. Cr5B. P6. These 18 rows form panel pat.

Cont in pat until work from beg measures same length as Strip A or B, when slightly stretched, ending on a 3rd row of pat. Cast off.

Sew strips tog in the following order, beg at left: Strip A, Strip C, Strip B, Strip C, Strip A, Strip C, Strip B.

Side Edging: With RS of work facing, MC and circular needle, pick up and knit 228 sts evenly across long edge of Afghan. Work 8 rows garter st (knit every row). Cast off knitways. Rep across opposite edge.

Top and Bottom Edging: Work as given for Side Edging, picking up 182 sts evenly across rem edges.



PILLOW

Note: When working separate sections of colors in Pillow, wind small balls of the colors to be used, one for each area of colour in the design. Start new colors as indicated in instructions. To change colors, twist the two colors around each other where they meet, on WS, to avoid a hole.

Panel Pat (worked over 18 sts) **1st row:** (RS). P6. C6B. P6.

2nd and alt rows: Knit all knit sts and purl all purl

sts as they appear.

3rd row: P4. Cr5B. Cr5F. P4. **5th row:** P2. Cr5B. P4. Cr5F. P2.

7th row: P2. K3. P8. K3. P2. 9th row: P2. Cr5F. P4. Cr5B. P2. 11th row: P4. Cr5F. Cr5B. P4.

12th row: As 2nd row.

These 12 rows form panel pat.

FRONT AND BACK (make 2 alike)

With MC, cast on 3 sts.

1st row: (RS). K3.

2nd row: (Inc1P) 3 times. 6 sts. **3rd row:** Inc1K. K4. Inc1K. 8 sts. **4th row:** Inc1K. P6. Inc1K. 10 sts. **5th row:** Inc1P. P1. C6B. P1. Inc1P.

6th row: K3. P6. K3.

7th row: Inc1P. Cr5B. Cr5F. Inc1P. 14 sts.

8th row: Inc1K. K1. P3. K4. P3. K1. Inc1K. 16 sts.

9th row: Inc1P. Cr5B. P4. Cr5F. Inc1P. 18 sts.

10th row: K2. P3. K8. P3. K2.

11th row: Inc1P. P1. K3. P8. K3. P1. Inc1P. 20 sts.

12th row: P1. K2. P3. K8. P3. K2. With A, P1.

13th row: With A, Inc1K. With MC, P2. Cr5F. P4.

Cr5B. P2. With B, Inc1K. 22 sts.

14th row: With B, P2. With MC, (K4. P3) twice. K4. With A, P2.

15th row: With A, Inc1K. K1. With MC, P4. Cr5F. Cr5B. P4. K1. Inc1K. 24 sts.

16th row: With MC, P3. K6. P6. K6. With A, P3.

17th row: With A, Inc1K. K2. With MC, work 1st row panel pat. With B, K2. Inc1K. 26 sts.

2nd row panel pat. With A, P4.

19th row: With A, Inc1K. P3. With MC, work [12.5 cm] long on one side edge. Stuff firmly. 3rd row panel pat. K3. Inc1K. 28 sts.

20th row: With MC, P1. (MK) twice. Work 4th row panel pat. With A, K3. P2.

21st row: With A, Inc1K. K1. P3. With MC, work 5th row panel pat. With B, K4. Inc1K. 30 sts.

22nd row: With B, P1. (MK) twice. P1. With MC, work 6th row panel pat. With A, P6.

23rd row: With A, Inc1K. P2. K3.

With MC, work 7th row panel pat. K5. Inc1K. 32 sts. **24th row:** With MC, P1. (MK) 3 times. Work 8th row panel pat. With A, P3. K3. P1.

25th row: With A, Inc1K. P3. K3. With MC, work 9th row panel pat. With B, K6. Inc1K. 34 sts.

26th row: With B, P1. (MK) 3 times. P1. With MC, work 10th row panel pat. With A, P8.

27th row: With A, Inc1K. P1. K3. P3. With MC, work 11th row panel pat. K7. Inc1K. 36 sts.

28th row: With MC, P1. (MK) 4 times. Work 12th row panel pat. With A, K3. P3. K3.

Pat is now in position.

Keeping cont of pat, inc 1 st each end of needle on next and following alt rows until there are 54 sts. Work 8 rows even in pat, thus ending on a 1st row of panel pat.

Next row: (WS). P2tog. Pat across 23 sts. P2togtbl. Turn. Leave rem sts on a spare needle.

Next row: Sl1. K1. psso. Pat to last 2 sts. K2tog.

Next row: P2tog. Pat to last 2 sts. P2togtbl.

Rep last 2 rows until there are 9 sts. With MC, cast off. With WS of work facing, join MC to rem sts.

Next row: P2tog. Pat to last 2 sts. P2togtbl.

Next row: Sl1. K1. psso. Pat to last 2 sts. K2tog.

Next row: P2tog. Pat to last 2 sts. P2togtbl.

18th row: With B, P1. MK. P1. With MC, work Rep last 2 rows until there are 9 sts. With A, cast off. Sew Front and Back tog leaving an opening 5 ins Sew opening closed.