KNIT
SKILL LEVEL
INTERMEDIATE

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What you will need:

RED HEART® Soft®: 9 balls 9388 Wheat

Note: 8 balls may be sufficient. Designer recommends buying a 9th ball to allow for making swatches, and leaving long tails for weaving in and sewing squares together.

Susan Bates® Knitting Needles: 5 mm [US 8]

Susan Bates® Circular Knitting Needles: 5mm [US 8] 32" (80 cm) or longer (for border)

Cable needle, yarn needle

GAUGE: 18 sts = 4" (10 cm); 36 rows = 4" (10 cm) in Garter st (knit every row); 19 sts = 4" (10 cm); 23 rows = 4" (10 cm) in Stockinette st (knit on right side, p on wrong side); Each square = 10 x 10" (25.5 x 25.5 cm). **CHECK YOUR GAUGE.** Use any size needles to obtain the gauge.

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RED HEART® Soft®, Art. E728 available in 5 oz (141 g), 256 yd (234 m) balls.

SHOP KIT

Knit Your Cables Afghan

This is a wonderful throw for those who like to learn new stitch patterns with a variety of cabled textures. Each of the 10 squares is a knitting adventure! A garter stitched square is placed between the cabled squares in a checkerboard arrangement. We've shown it in all one neutral shade, but of course you can use whatever colors you choose for your own unique design.

Afghan measures 42" (106.5 cm) wide x 52" (132 cm) long

Notes
1. The afghan is worked in individual pieces, then seamed.
2. A border is added after all the pieces have been sewn together. The garter stitch squares (Square A) are worked corner-to-corner on the bias.
3. Row 1 is the right side on some squares and the wrong side on other squares; all cable twists take place on right side rows.

Special Abbreviations
1/1 LC (1 over 1 Left Cross): Slip next st to cable needle and hold in front, k1, k1 from cable needle OR bring right needle behind next st on left needle; knit into 2nd st on left needle but do not drop st off needle; knit into first st on right needle, drop both sts off needle.

1/1 RC (1 over 1 Right Cross): Slip next st to cable needle and hold in back, k1, k1 from cable needle OR knit into 2nd st on left needle but do not drop st off needle; knit into first st on left needle, drop both sts off needle.

1/2 LPC (1 over 2 Left Purl Cross): Slip next st to cable needle and hold in front, p2, k1 from cable needle.

1/2 RPC (1 over 2 Right Purl Cross): Slip next 2 sts to cable needle and hold in back, k1, p2 from cable needle.

2/1 LPC (2 over 1 Left Purl Cross): Slip next 2 sts to cable needle and hold in front, p1, k2 from cable needle.

2/1 RPC (2 over 1 Right Purl Cross): Slip next st to cable needle and hold in back, k2, p1 from cable needle.

2/2 LC (2 over 2 Left Cross): Slip next 2 sts to cable needle and hold in front, k2, k2 from cable needle.

2/2 RC (2 over 2 Right Cross): Slip next 2 sts to cable needle and hold in back, k2, k2 from cable needle.

2/2 LPC (2 over 2 Left Purl Cross): Slip next 2 sts to cable needle and hold in front, p2, k2 from cable needle.

2/2 RPC (2 over 2 Right Purl Cross): Slip next 2 sts to cable needle and hold in back, k2, p2 from cable needle.

3/1 LPC (3 over 1 Left Purl Cross): Slip next 3 sts to cable needle and hold in front, p1, k3 from cable needle.

3/1 RPC (3 over 1 Right Purl Cross): Slip next st to cable needle and hold in back, k3, p1 from cable needle.

3/3 LC (3 over 3 Left Cross): Slip next 3 sts to cable needle and hold in front, k3, k3 from cable needle.

3/3 RC (3 over 3 Right Cross): Slip next 3 sts to cable needle and hold in back, k3, k3 from cable needle.

k1-tbl: Knit 1 stitch through back loop.

kfb (knit into front and back): Knit next st but do not remove from needle, knit into back loop of same st and remove from needle.

Special Technique
Cable Cast On = Place a slip knot on left needle, insert right needle into stitch on left needle as if to knit, pull loop through and place on left needle (2 sts on left needle), *insert needle between first 2 stitches on left needle, pull loop through and place on left needle; repeat from * until the required number of stitches are on the left needle.

SQUARE A (make 10)
Cast on 3 sts.
Knit 1 row.
Increase Row: Knit to last 2 sts, kfb, k1—1 st increased.

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Repeat Increase Row until there are 57 sts on the needle.
Next row: Knit.
Decrease Row: Knit to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1—1 st decreased.
Repeat Decrease Row until 3 sts remain. Bind off.

SQUARE B
Cable cast on 50 sts.
Rows 1 and 5 (right side): P7, [k4, p4] 5 times, p3.
Rows 2 and 4: K3, [k4, p4] 5 times, k7.
Row 3: P7, [2/2 LC, p4] 5 times, p3.
Row 6: Repeat Row 2.
Repeat Rows 1-6 ten more times. Bind off in pattern on right side.

SQUARE C
Cable cast on 50 sts.
Rows 1, 5, 7, 9, 13 and 15 (right side): P7, *k6, p4; repeat from * to last 3 sts, p3.
Row 2 and all wrong side rows: K7, *p6, k4; repeat from * to last 3 sts, k3.
Row 3: P7, [3/3 RC, p4] 2 times, [3/3 LC, p4] 2 times, p3.
Row 11: P7, [3/3 LC, p4] 2 times, [3/3 RC, p4] 2 times, p3.
Row 16: K7, *p6, k4; repeat from * to last 3 sts, k3.
Repeat Rows 1-16 three more times, then work Rows 1-4 once more. Bind off in pattern on right side.

SQUARE D
Cable cast on 50 sts.
Rows 1, 3 and 7 (right side): P3, k4, *p6, k4; repeat from * to last 3 sts, p3.
Rows 2, 4, 6 and 8: K3, *p4, k6; repeat from * to last 7 sts, p4, k3.

Row 5: P3, 2/2 LC, *p6, 2/2 LC; repeat from * to last 3 sts, p3.
Rows 9, 11, and 15: P7, *p1, k4, p5; repeat from * to last 3 sts, p3.
Rows 10, 12, and 14: K3, *k5, p4, k1; repeat from * to last 7 sts, k7.
Row 13: P7, *p1, 2/2 RC, p5; repeat from * to last 3 sts, p3.
Row 16: K3, *k5, p4, k1; repeat from * to last 7 sts, k7.
Repeat Rows 1-16 two more times, then work Rows 1-8 once. Bind off in pattern on right side.

SQUARE E
Cable cast on 50 sts.
Rows 1 and 5 (right side): Knit.
Row 2 and all wrong side rows: Purl.
Row 3: K1, *2/2 RC, k4; repeat from * to last st, k1.
Row 7: K1, *k4, 2/2 LC; repeat from * to last st, k1.
Row 8: Purl.
Repeat Rows 1-8 six more times. Bind off in pattern on right side.

SQUARE F
Long-tail cast on 48 sts.
Row 1 and all wrong side rows: [K4, p2] 2 times, k4, p16, k4, [p2, k4] 2 times.
Row 2: [P4, 1/1 RC] 2 times, p4, k4, 2/2 RC, 2/2 L/C, k4, p4, [1/1 LC, p4] 2 times.
Row 4: [P4, 1/1 RC] 2 times, p4, k2, 2/2 RC, k4, 2/2 LC, k2, p4, [1/1 LC, p4] 2 times.
Row 6: [P4, 1/1 RC] 2 times, p4, 2/2 RC, k8, 2/2 LC, p4, [1/1 LC, p4] 2 times.
Repeat Rows 1-6 nine more times, then work Rows 1-3 once more. Bind off in pattern on right side.

SQUARE G
Cable cast on 54 sts.
Set-Up Row 1 (right side): P5, k8, p6, k6, p4, k6, p6, k8, p5.

Set-Up Row 2: K5, p8, k6, p6, k4, p6, k6, p8, k5.
Row 1: P5, 2/2 RC, 2/2 LC, p6, 3/3 RC, p4, 3/3 LC, p6, 2/2 RC, 2/2 LC, p5.
Rows 2, 12 and 14: K5, p8, k6, p6, k4, p6, k6, p8, k5.
Rows 3 and 15: P5, k8, p5, 3/1 RPC, 3/1 LPC, p2, 3/1 RPC, 3/1 LPC, p5, k8, p5.
Rows 4, 10, 16 and 22: K5, p8, k5, [p3, k2] 3 times, p3, k5, p8, k5.
Rows 5 and 17: P5, k8, p4, [3/1 RPC, p2, 3/1 LPC] 2 times, p4, k8, p5.
Rows 6, 8, 18 and 20: K5, p8, k4, [p3, k4, p3] 2 times, k4, p8, k5.
Rows 7: P5, 2/2 LC, 2/2 RC, p4, k3, p4, 3/3 RC, p4, k3, p4, 2/2 LC, 2/2 RC, p5.
Rows 9 and 21: P5, k8, p4, [3/1 LPC, p2, 3/1 RPC] 2 times, p4, k8, p5.
Rows 11 and 23: P5, k8, p5, 3/1 LPC, 3/1 RPC, p2, 3/1 LPC, 3/1 RPC, p5, k8, p5.
Row 13: P5, 2/2 LC, 2/2 RC, p6, 3/3 LC, p4, 3/3 RC, p6, 2/2 LC, 2/2 RC, p5.
Row 19: P5, 2/2 RC, 2/2 LC, p4, k3, p4, 3/3 LC, p4, k3, p4, 2/2 RC, 2/2 LC, p5.
Row 24: Rep Row 2.
Repeat Rows 1-24 one more time, then repeat Rows 1-14 once more. Bind off in pattern on right side.

SQUARE H
Cable cast on 50 sts.
Set-Up Row 1 (right side): K1, *k1, p4, k1; repeat from * to last st, k1.
Set-Up Row 2: P1, *p1, k4, p1; repeat from * to last st, p1.
Row 1 (right side): K1, *1/2 LPC, 1/2 RPC; repeat from * to last st, k1.
Rows 2 and 4: K1, *k2, p2, k2; repeat from * to last st, k1.
Row 3: P1, *p2, k2, p2; repeat from * to last st, p1.
Row 5: K1, *1/2 RPC, 1/2 LPC; repeat from * to last st, k1.

Rows 6: P1, *p1, k4, p1; repeat from * to last st, p1.
Row 7: K1, *k1, p4, k1; repeat from * to last st, k1.
Row 8: Repeat Row 6.
Repeat Rows 1-8 seven more times. Bind off in pattern on right side.

SQUARE I
Cable cast on 56 sts.
Rows 1 and 5 (right side): P2, k1-tbl, p2, k6, p2, k1-tbl, p2, k24, p2, k1-tbl, p2, k6, p2, k1-tbl, p2.
Row 2 and all wrong side rows: K2, p1, k2, p6, k2, p1, k2, p24, k2, p1, k2, p6, k2, p1, k2.
Row 3: P2, k1-tbl, p2, 2/2 RC, k2, p2, k1-tbl, p2, [2/2 RC, 2/2 LC] 3 times, p2, k1-tbl, p2, 2/2 RC, k2, p2, k1-tbl, p2.
Row 7: P2, k1-tbl, p2, k2, 2/2 LC, p2, k1-tbl, p2, [2/2 LC, 2/2 RC] 3 times, p2, k1-tbl, p2, k2, 2/2 LC, p2, k1-tbl, p2.
Row 8: K2, p1, k2, p6, k2, p1, k2, p24, k2, p1, k2, p6, k2, p1, k2.
Repeat Rows 1-8 six more times. Bind off in pattern on right side.

SQUARE J
Long-tail cast on 50 sts.
Rows 1 and 3 (wrong side): K3, *k4, p4, k4, p2, [k1, p1] 3 times, p2; repeat from * once, k3.
Row 2: P3, *k2, [p1, k1] 3 times, k2, p4, 2/2 RC, p4; repeat from * once, p3.
Row 4: P3, *2/1 LPC, [k1, p1] 2 times, 2/1 RPC, p3, 2/1 RPC, 2/1 LPC, p3; repeat from * once, p3.
Row 5: K3, *k3, p2, k1, p3, k4, p3, k1, p1, k1, p2, k1; repeat from * once, k3.
Row 6: P3, *p1, 2/1 LPC, p1, k1, 2/1 RPC, p3, 2/1 RPC, p1, k1, 2/1 LPC, p2; repeat from * once, p3.

Row 7: K3, *k2, p3, k1, p1, k1, p2, k4, p2, k1, p3, k2; repeat from * once, k3.

Row 8: P3, *p2, 2/1 LPC, 2/1 RPC, p3, 2/1 RPC, [k1, p1] 2 times, 2/1 LPC, p1; repeat from * once, p3.

Row 9: K3, *k1, p2, [k1, p1] 3 times, p2, k4, p4, k3; repeat from * once, k3.

Row 10: P3, *p3, 2/2 RC, p4, k2, [p1, k1] 3 times, k2, p1; repeat from * once, p3.

Row 11: K3, *k1, p2, [k1, p1] 3 times, p2, k4, p4, k3; repeat from * once, k3.

Row 12: P3, *p2, 2/1 RPC, 2/1 LPC, p3, 2/1 LPC, [k1, p1] 2 times, 2/1 RPC, p1; repeat from * once, p3.

Row 13: K3, *k2, p3, k1, p1, k1, p2, k4, p2, k1, p3, k2; repeat from * once, k3.

Row 14: P3, *p1, 2/1 RPC, p1, k1, 2/1, LPC, p3, 2/1 LPC, p1, k1, 2/1 RPC, p2; repeat from * once, p3.

Row 15: K3, *k3, p2, k1, p3, k4, p3, k1, p1, k1, p2, k1; repeat from * once, k3.

Row 16: P3, *2/1 RPC, [k1, p1] 2 times, 2/1 LPC, p3, 2/1 LPC, 2/1 RPC, p3; repeat from * once, p3.

Repeat Rows 1-16 two more times, then work Rows 1-11 once more. Bind off in pattern on right side.

SQUARE K

Long-tail cast on 68 sts.

Rows 1 and 3 (wrong side): K1, *k2, p4; repeat from * to last st, k1.

Row 2: P1, *2/2 LC, p2; repeat from * to last st, p1.

Row 4: P3, *k2, 2/2 RPC; repeat from * to last 5 sts, k4, p1.

Rows 5 and 7: K1, *p4, k2; repeat from * to last st, k1.

Row 6: P1, *p2, 2/2 RC; repeat from * to last st, p1.

Row 8: P1, k4, *2/2 LPC, k2; repeat from * to last 3 sts, p3.

Repeat Rows 1-8 seven more times. Repeat Row 1 once more. Bind off in pattern on right side.

Finishing

Block pieces to approximately 10" (25.5 cm) square. Sew squares together according to assembly diagram, taking care to keep the ridges of all **A** squares going in the same direction.

Edging

With long circular needle and right side facing, pick up and knit 215 sts evenly spaced along one long edge of afghan. Knit 5 rows. Bind off. Repeat for other long edge.

With long circular needle and right side of one short edge facing, pick up and knit 3 sts from end of edging, pick up and knit 172 sts evenly spaced to opposite edging, then pick up and knit 3 sts from edging—178 sts.

Row 1: Knit to last st, slip 1 purlwise with yarn in front.

Rows 2-5: K1-tbl, knit to last st, slip 1 purlwise with yarn in front.

Bind off. Repeat for other short edge.

Weave in ends.

ABBREVIATIONS

k = knit; **k2tog** = knit next 2 sts together; **p** = purl; **st(s)** = stitch(es); **[ ]** = work directions in brackets the number of times specified; ***** = repeat whatever follows the * as indicated.
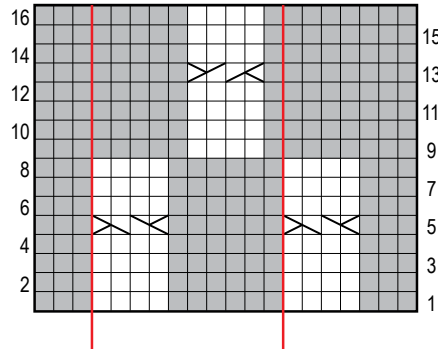
All Charts and the Assembly Diagram on next pages

Square D

10-st repeat

Square F

Assembly Diagram

A	D	A	K
B	A	I	A
A	H	A	E
F	A	C	A
A	J	A	G

Assembly Diagram
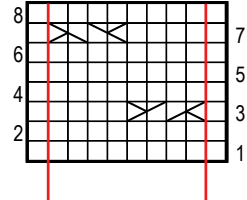
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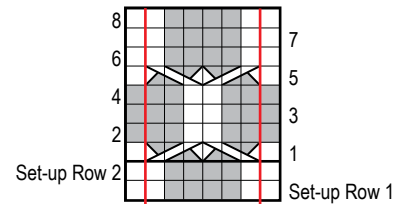**8-st repeat**
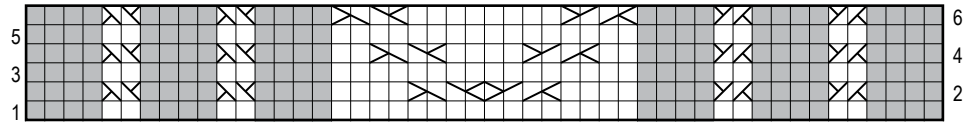
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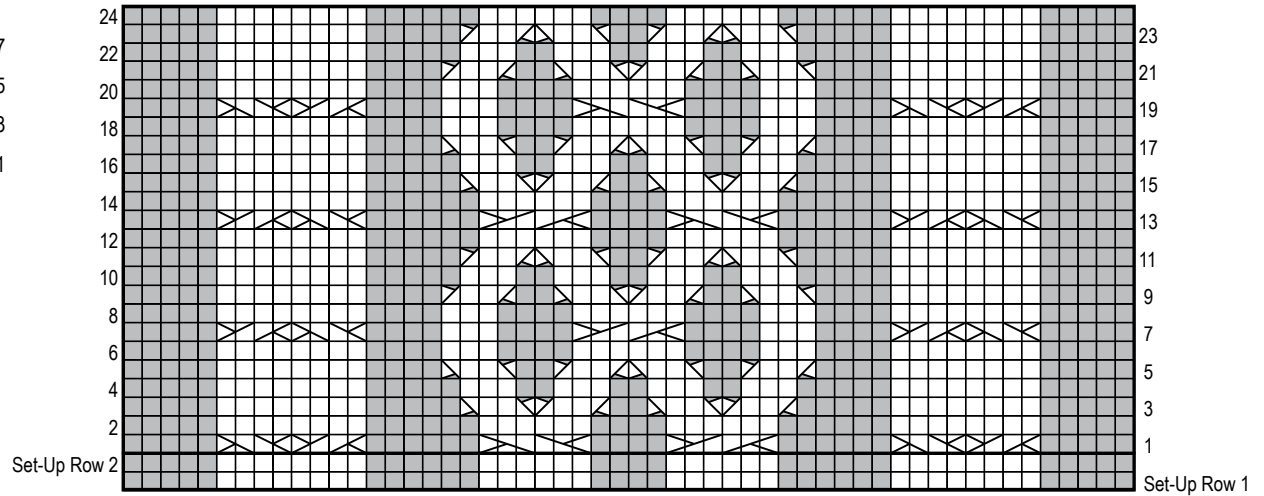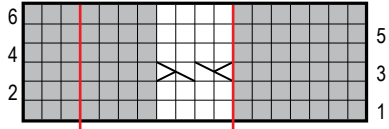
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8-st repeat

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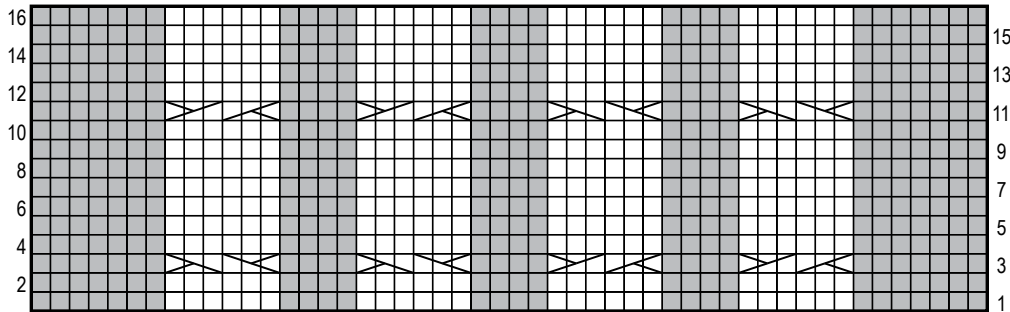
Square H

6-st repeat

Charts Continued...

Square I

8 · 7
6 · 5
4 · 3
2 · 1

Square J

15 · 16
13 · 14
11 · 12
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7 · 8
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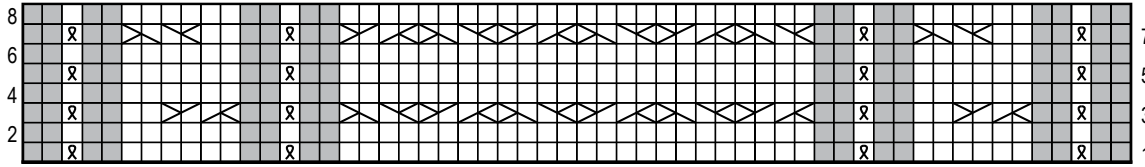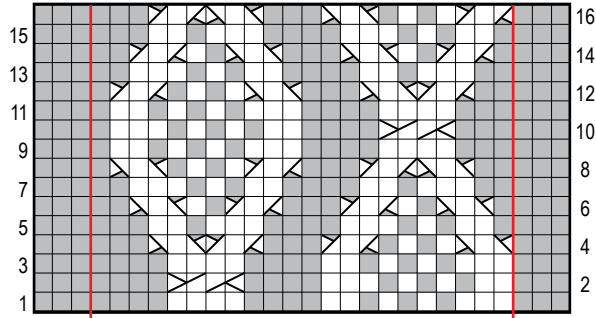
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Square K

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5 · 6
3 · 4
1 · 2
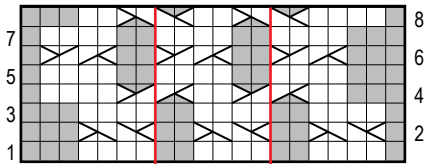
6-st repeat

KEY

☐	k on RS, p on WS
▨	p on RS, k on WS
⊠	k tbl
▱	1/1 RC
▱	1/1 LC
▱	2/1 LPC
▱	2/1 RPC
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▱	3/1 LPC
▱	3/1 RPC
▱	3/3 RC
▱	3/3 LC

See photo key on next page

A. Bias Garter Stitch Square

B. Basic Cables Square

C. Snake Cables Square

D. Checkerboard Cables Square

E. Stockinette Cables Square

F. Horseshoe Panel with Twists Square

G. XO Panels and Ensign's Braid Square

H. Honeycomb Trellis Square

I. Honeycomb and Braided Cables

J. Seed Stitch Diamonds Square

K. Lattice Cables Square