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DOGS ON SWEATERS

Knitting Patterns for 18 Different Breeds



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HOW TO USE THIS BOOK

MAKING THE SWEATERS

There are three adult options and three child/baby options, each with its own master pattern, so the first decision to make is to choose the shape of the sweater:

- Woman's Raglan Pullover (page 16): this is neat and boxy.
- Woman's Long and Loose Pullover (page 18): this is exactly what it is, easy to wear and suits most body shapes.
- Man's Pullover (page 20): relaxed style, set-in sleeves.
- Child's Pullover (page 68): dropped shoulders, loose shape.
- Baby's Raglan Pullover (page 70): for up to age 3 years, raglan shape, similar to a sweatshirt.
- Baby's Cardigan (page 72): for up to age 6 months, set-in sleeves, easy cardigan.

The second decision is to choose the dog you would like to knit. There is a choice of 18 dogs – plus a slogan design – for the adult sweaters (see pages 22–27), and 8 dogs for the child and baby sweaters (see pages 76–79). Start by following the master pattern for your selected sweater. When working the front of the sweater, refer to the separate instructions and chart for your chosen dog breed (see index of dog breeds on page 140).

YARNS

The adult sweaters are worked in worsted-weight yarn. We have used either Cascade 220 Solids and Heathers (CYCA #4) or Debbie Bliss Donegal Luxury Tweed Aran (CYCA #4) yarn for the main sweater. The yarn quantities for the main color are listed in the master patterns. For the dogs we have used mainly Cascade 220 because of

the superb color range. The yarn requirements for each dog are listed with the dog breed.

For the child and baby knitwear, we recommend Erika Knight's British Blue Wool (CYCA #3) or British Blue 100 (CYCA #3). This lovely soft, airy yarn is available at most yarn stores as well as online, but any double-knit (DK) weight would do.

DESIGN CHOICES

Our patterns are designed to be used as a template, to which you can then add details. There are two options for the rib: work in one color throughout, or add a contrast edge to the back, front and sleeves. Both possibilities are included in the master patterns. The dog chart pattern can be started anywhere on the sweater. We have generally placed the dog in the middle of the front, slightly higher than the center.

All of the dogs can be knitted directly onto the main color of the sweater, or they can be framed inside a square or oval in a contrasting color. The only exception is the Dachshund, which can be knitted onto a contrasting stripe running the full width of the sweater to accommodate its length.

A contrast square is much easier to work than an oval. We suggest knitting about 4 rows of contrast color above and below the dog, and 3 contrast stitches on either side of the dog. For the oval, use graph paper to draw an oval around the dog, leaving about 3 stitches/4 rows between the dog's nose/tail and the edge of the oval.

LETTERING

We have included an alphabet for dog names and dog slogans (page 130). Follow the pattern for the Golden Retriever front for the positioning of a dog's name (page 40); the height of the lettering will remain

the same, but the width of the name will vary. Using the alphabet provided, copy your dog's name onto graph paper and adjust the position as follows for a slogan sweater.

For slogan sweaters, copy the chosen letters onto graph paper, then count the stitches and rows. To position the slogan, refer to the index of dogs (page 140) and select the dog that is closest in size to your slogan. To center the slogan, count the number of stitches, subtract these from the width of the sweater and divide by two. Use a small ball of contrast color for each letter, and take the main color across the back of the letter. If there are more than 3 stitches in the contrast color, weave the main color across the back of the letter using the Fair Isle method (see below).

INTARSIA METHOD

We recommend using the intarsia method for knitting the dogs, although you can take the main color across the back of skinny legs, such as those of the Whippet. Use a small ball of yarn for each area of color, otherwise the yarns will easily become tangled. When changing to a new color, twist the yarns on the wrong side of the work to prevent holes from forming. When starting a new row, turn the knitting so that the yarns are hanging from it, untwisting them as much as possible. If you have several colors, you may occasionally have to reorganize the yarns at the back of the knitting.

FAIR ISLE METHOD

Use this method for skinny legs, Dalmatian spots and lettering. Begin knitting with the first color, then drop this when you introduce the second color. When you come to the first color again, take it under the second color to twist the yarns. When you come to the second color again, take it over the first color. If working over more than 3 stitches of the second color, catch the first color at the back of the work with the second color so that the first color strand is not floating loose. The secret is not to pull the strands on the wrong side of the work too tightly or the work will pucker.

EMBROIDERY STITCHES

Some of the dogs have a single stitch in a contrast color for the eyes or nose. Rather than knitting this as part of the pattern, you can use the contrast color to make a duplicate stitch over the knitted stitch below.

French knots are used to make the eyes of many of the dogs. You can make the knots smaller or larger, as you wish.

DUPLICATE STITCH

Thread a tapestry needle with yarn and insert it through the knitting from back to front, bringing it out at the bottom of the "V" of the required stitch. Insert the needle from right to left under the two strands of yarn at the base of the stitch above, then take it back through the entry point. This makes a duplicate stitch over the original stitch. YouTube is a helpful source for tutorials if you need extra assistance.

FRENCH KNOTS

Thread a tapestry needle with yarn and insert it through the knitting from back to front. Wrap the yarn around the needle about three times, depending on the thickness of the yarn and how big you want the finished knot to be. To finish the knot, insert the needle back into the knitting no more than one stitch away from where you came out. Slowly pull the needle and ease the yarn through the wrapped loops to complete a French knot.

CHECKLIST

- Shape of sweater
- Dog breed
- Contrast edges or not
- Square, oval, stripe or dog only
- Lettering





LURCHER

YARN

- Main color: Cascade 220 Solids and Heathers (CYCA #4) in 9450 Smoke Heather (mc); see pullover pattern for quantity
- Contrast color: 50g (2oz) of Cascade 220 Solids and Heathers in 4002 Jet – charcoal (ch)
- 15g (½oz) of Rowan Kidsilk Haze (CYCA #2) in 00664 Steel and 00639 Anthracite (mohair – mo) – use FOUR strands together throughout (TWO strands of each color)

CHART

See page 125

WOMAN'S RAGLAN PULLOVER (PAGE 16)

This is an example for knitting the Lurcher without a square.

Continue in st st until front measures 8¼ [8¾, 8¾] in/21 [22, 22] cm, ending on a p row.

Follow chart for Lurcher.

Row 1: K46 [48, 50] mc, k2mo, k42 [44, 46] mc.

Continue chart pattern until dog is finished.

WOMAN'S LONG AND LOOSE PULLOVER (PAGE 18)

This is an example for knitting the Lurcher without a square.

Continue in st st until front measures 12½ [12½, 13] in/32 [32, 33] cm, ending on a p row.

Follow chart for Lurcher.

Row 1: K54 [58, 62] mc, k2mo, k50 [54, 58] mc.

Continue chart pattern until dog is finished.

MAN'S PULLOVER (PAGE 20)

Our Lurcher is knitted on a contrast square. Continue in st st until front measures 12¼ [12½, 13] in/31 [32, 33] cm, ending on a p row.

NOTE: For version without a contrast square, work all ch sts in mc.

Row 1: K30 [33, 36] mc, k44ch, k30 [33, 36] mc.

Work 5 rows st st, colors as set. Then follow chart for Lurcher.

Row 7: K30 [33, 36] mc, k23ch, k2mo, k19ch, k30 [33, 36] mc.

Continue chart pattern until dog is finished.

Work 7 rows to match bottom of square, ending on a k row.

Continue in mc.



CHIHUAHUA

YARN

- Main color: Debbie Bliss Donegal Luxury Tweed Aran (CYCA #4) in 15 Charcoal (mc); see pullover pattern for quantity
- 15g (½oz) of Cascade 220 Solids and Heathers (CYCA #4) in 9499 Sand – fawn (fn)
- 5g (⅛oz) of Cascade 220 Solids and Heathers in 4192 Soft Pink (pk)
- Tiny amount of Cascade 220 Solids and Heathers in 8555 Black (bl) for eyes and nose

CHART

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WOMAN'S RAGLAN PULLOVER (PAGE 16)

Continue in st st until front measures 8¼ [8¾, 8¾] in/21 [22, 22] cm, ending on a p row.

Follow chart for Chihuahua.

Row 1: K29 [31, 33] mc, k2fn, k18mc, k2fn, k39 [41, 43] mc.

Continue chart pattern until dog is finished.

WOMAN'S LONG AND LOOSE PULLOVER (PAGE 18)

Continue in st st until front measures 12½ [13, 13½] in/32 [33, 34] cm, ending on a p row.

Follow chart for Chihuahua.

Row 1: K37 [41, 45] mc, k2fn, k18mc, k2fn, k47 [51, 55] mc.

Continue chart pattern until dog is finished.

MAN'S PULLOVER (PAGE 20)

Continue in st st until front measures 12½ [12½, 13] in/32 [32, 33] cm, ending on a p row.

Follow chart for Chihuahua.

Row 1: K36 [39, 42] mc, k2fn, k18mc, k2fn, k46 [49, 52] mc.

Continue chart pattern until dog is finished.

FINISHING DETAILS

Eyes: With bl, make a 4-loop French knot for each eye.



LABRADOODLE

YARN

- Main color: Cascade 220 Solids and Heathers (CYCA #4) in 8393 Navy (mc); see pullover pattern for quantity
- Contrast edge: 10g (¼oz) of Cascade 220 Solids and Heathers in 8010 Natural – cream (cr)
- 15g (½oz) of Drops Alpaca Bouclé (CYCA #4) in 0100 Off White (ow)
- Tiny amount of Cascade 220 Solids and Heathers in 8555 Black (bl) for eyes and nose

CHART

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WOMAN'S RAGLAN PULLOVER (PAGE 16)

Continue in st st until front measures 8 [8¼, 8¼] in/20 [21, 21] cm, ending on a p row.

Follow chart for Labradoodle.

Row 1: K50 [52, 54] mc, k3ow, k37 [39, 41] mc.

Continue chart pattern until dog is finished.

WOMAN'S LONG AND LOOSE PULLOVER (PAGE 18)

Continue in st st until front measures 11¾ [12¼, 12½] in/30 [31, 32] cm, ending on a p row.

Follow chart for Labradoodle.

Row 1: K58 [62, 66] mc, k3ow, k45 [49, 53] mc.

Continue chart pattern until dog is finished.

MAN'S PULLOVER (PAGE 20)

Continue in st st until front measures 12¼ [12¼, 12½] in/31 [31, 32] cm, ending on a p row.

Follow chart for Labradoodle.

Row 1: K57 [60, 63] mc, k3ow, k44 [47, 50] mc.

Continue chart pattern until dog is finished.

FINISHING DETAILS

Eyes: With bl, make 1 duplicate stitch for each eye.



BORDER COLLIE

YARN AND MATERIALS

- Main color: Cascade 220 Solids and Heathers (CYCA #4) in 9560 Liberty Heather – purple heather (mc); see pullover pattern for quantity
- Contrast edge: 10g (¼oz) of Cascade 220 Solids and Heathers in 9450 Smoke Heather – green heather (gh)
- 15g (½oz) of Cascade 220 Solids and Heathers in 8555 Black (bl)
- 15g (½oz) of Cascade 220 Solids and Heathers in 8505 White (wh)
- Black bead for eye, plus sewing needle and black thread for sewing on (optional)

CHART

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WOMAN'S RAGLAN PULLOVER (PAGE 16)

Continue in st st until front measures 8 [8¼, 8¾] in/20 [21, 21] cm, ending on a p row.

Follow chart for Border Collie.

Row 1: K34 [36, 38] mc, k2bl, k22mc, k3wh, k29 [31, 33] mc.

Continue chart pattern until dog is finished.

WOMAN'S LONG AND LOOSE PULLOVER (PAGE 18)

Continue in st st until front measures 10¾ [11, 11½] in/27 [28, 29] cm, ending on a p row.

Follow chart for Border Collie.

Row 1: K37 [41, 45] mc, k2bl, k22mc, k3wh, k42 [46, 50] mc.

Continue chart pattern until dog is finished.

MAN'S PULLOVER (PAGE 20)

Continue in st st until front measures 12¼ [12¼, 12½] in/31 [31, 32] cm, ending on a p row.

Follow chart for Border Collie.

Row 1: K36 [39, 42] mc, k2bl, k22mc, k3wh, k41 [44, 47] mc.

Continue chart pattern until dog is finished.

FINISHING DETAILS

Eye: Sew on black bead for eye.





CHILD AND BABY PULLOVERS AND CARDIGANS

We have one Child's Pullover shape, which is round-neck, with dropped shoulders, loose-fitting, and sized for ages 3–5, 5–7 and 7–9 years.

The Baby's Raglan Pullover is in a round-neck, raglan, sweatshirt shape and is sized for ages 6–12 months, 1–2 years and 2–3 years.

The Baby's Cardigan is round-neck, with set-in sleeves and pockets, and is sized for ages 0–3 months and 3–6 months. We have scaled down a selection of the adult-size dog charts for the child and baby sweaters.

There are eight different dogs; all eight breeds are pictured on pages 76–79 to help you make your selection. The simplest are the Labrador and West Highland Terrier. For a quick knit, we recommend the Baby's Raglan Pullover: the perfect present for a dog-loving new parent.

BABY'S CARDIGAN

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

Small

To fit age: 0–3 months
Chest: 7½in/19cm
Length: 9in/23cm

Medium

To fit age: 3–6 months
Chest: 8¾in/22cm
Length: 10¼in/26cm

NEEDLES, YARN AND MATERIALS

- US 3/3.25mm knitting needles
- US 6/4mm knitting needles
- Main color (mc): Erika Knight British Blue Wool or Erika Knight British Blue 100 (CYCA #3)

Size	Small	Medium
Quantity	90g (3¼oz)	110g (4oz)

- 10g (¼oz) of Erika Knight yarn in contrast color (optional):
Miniature Schnauzer: Mouse (grey – mu)
Dachshund: Mrs Dalloway (ochre – oc)
Jack Russell: Milk Chocolate (me)
- 6 [7] small buttons

GAUGE

22 sts and 30 rows to 4in/10cm measured over st st using US 6/4mm needles

DOGS ON FRONT

Erika Knight British Blue Wool or Erika Knight British Blue 100 in the following colors:

Miniature Schnauzer: 5g (⅛oz) of Mouse (grey – mu), 5g (⅛oz) of Pitch (black – bl), 5g (⅛oz) of Rowan Kidsilk Haze (CYCA #3) in 00634 Cream (mohair – mo) – use THREE strands of mo together throughout

Dachshund: 5g (⅛oz) of Pitch (black – bl), 5g (⅛oz) of Mrs Dalloway (ochre – oc)

Jack Russell: 5g (⅛oz) of Milk (cream – cr), 5g (⅛oz) of Milk Chocolate (me), small amount of Pitch (black – bl) for eye and nose. For picture see page 100.

CHARTS

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NOTE: Work eyebrows of Miniature Schnauzer using THREE strands of mo together and loopy stitch (see page 75).





Pug hat

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Dalmatian onesie

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Dachshund booties

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Pug booties

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Jack Russell scarf

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Jack Russell booties

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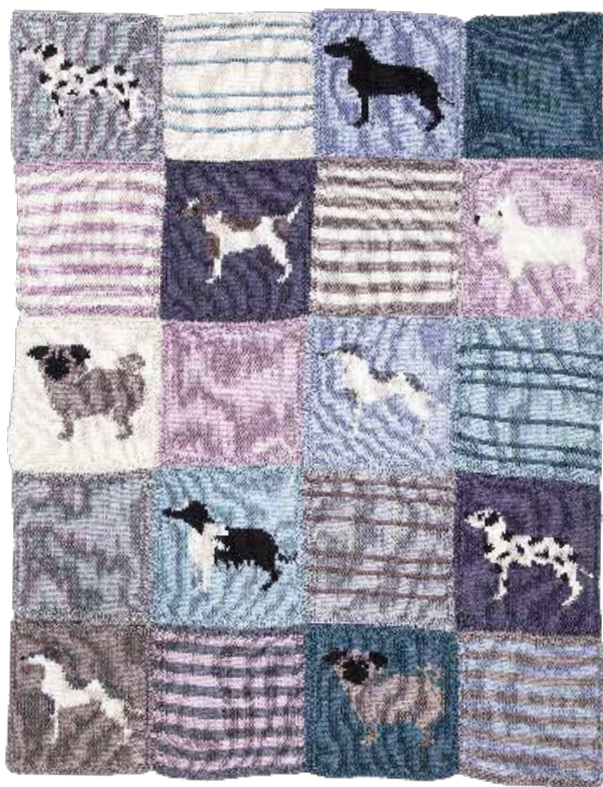
Patchwork baby blanket

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Dog coat

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DOG COAT

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

Extra small (XS)

To fit (for example): Chihuahua
Circumference of coat: 12¼in/32.5cm
Length to turtle neck: 12in/30.5cm

Small (S)

To fit (for example): Jack Russell
Circumference of coat: 15¼in/39cm
Length to turtle neck: 14¾in/37.5cm

Medium (M)

To fit (for example): Border Collie
Circumference of coat: 18in/46cm
Length to turtle neck: 18¾in/47.5cm

Large (L)

To fit (for example): Labrador
Circumference of coat: 24in/61cm
Length to turtle neck: 21¾in/55.5cm

Extra large (XL)

To fit (for example): German Shepherd
Circumference of coat: 27¾in/70.5cm
Length to turtle neck: 24in/61cm

LEVEL

Intermediate

NEEDLES AND YARN

- US 6/4mm knitting needles
- US 7/4.5mm knitting needles if using Debbie Bliss yarn or US 8/5mm needles if using Cascade yarn
- Debbie Bliss Donegal Luxury Tweed Aran (CYCA #4) or Cascade 220 Solids and Heathers (CYCA #4) yarn in main color (mc) and contrast color (co)

<u>Size</u>	XS	S	M	L	XL
<u>Main</u>	50g	60g	85g	120g	160g
<u>color (mc)</u>	(2oz)	(2¼oz)	(3oz)	(4¼oz)	(5½oz)
<u>Contrast</u>	15g	20g	30g	45g	60g
<u>color (co)</u>	(½oz)	(¾oz)	(1¼oz)	(1¾oz)	(2¼oz)

NOTE: Our dog coat was knitted in size small using Debbie Bliss Donegal Luxury Tweed Aran in 53 Meadow (mc) and 15 Charcoal (co)

GAUGE

18 sts and 24 rows to 4in/10cm measured over st st using US 7/4.5mm needles for Debbie Bliss yarn or US 8/5mm needles for Cascade yarn

TOP OF COAT

With US 6/4mm needles and co, cast on 34 [40, 48, 64, 74] sts.

Work 6 rows k1, p1 rib.

Change to larger needles.

Join in mc and continue in st st, working first and last 4 sts in co and st st center in mc as follows:

Next row (RS): [K1, p1] twice in co, m1 in mc, k26 [32, 40, 56, 66] mc, m1 in mc, [k1, p1] twice in co. (36 [42, 50, 66, 76] sts)

Next row (WS): [K1, p1] twice in co, p28 [34, 42, 58, 68] mc, [k1, p1] twice in co.

Continue to inc in this way on next and every other row 7 [3, 3, 5, 5] times, and then inc 1 st on every 4th row 0 [5, 5, 6, 8] times. (50 [58, 66, 88, 102] sts)

This sets pattern of st st center with 4-st rib border along each side. Continue straight in st st with rib border until top of coat measures

3 [4, 5, 7, 8] in/8 [10, 13, 18, 20] cm. Continue in mc and st st only (no rib border) until top of coat measures 5½ [7½, 11, 13, 14¼] in/ 14 [19, 28, 33, 36] cm, ending on a p row.

MARK LEG OPENINGS:

Mark each end of last row with a colored thread to indicate beg of leg openings.

Continue in st st until top of coat measures 7¼ [9½, 13, 15, 16½] in/

18.5 [24, 33, 38, 42] cm.

Mark each end of last row with a colored thread to indicate end of leg openings.

Continue in st st until top of coat measures 10 [12¼, 15¾, 17¾, 19¾] in/25 [31, 40, 45, 50] cm, ending on a p row.

SHAPE SHOULDERS:

Next row (RS): K12 [14, 16, 22, 23], k2tog, k22 [26, 30, 40, 52], k2tog, k12 [14, 16, 22, 23]. (48 [56, 64, 86, 100] sts)

Next row (WS): Purl.

Continue to dec in this way, working 2 sts less in center panel on next and every other row 4 [5, 5, 11, 13] times. (40 [46, 54, 64, 74] sts)

Continue in st st until top of coat measures 12 [14¾, 18¾, 21¾, 24] in/30.5 [37.5, 47.5, 55.5, 61] cm, ending on a p row.

Leave rem sts on a holder.

GUSSET

With US 6/4mm needles and co, cast on 14 [18, 24, 30, 34] sts.

Work k1, p1 rib until gusset measures 2¼ [3½, 6, 6, 6¼] in/ 6 [9, 15, 15, 16] cm.

MARK LEG OPENINGS:

Mark each end of last row with a colored thread to indicate beg of leg openings.

Continue in rib, matching end of leg openings with top of coat, until gusset measures 7½ [9½, 11, 12, 15] in/ 19 [24, 28, 30.5, 38] cm.

Dec 1 st at each end of next and every other row 3 [4, 6, 8, 9] times. (8 [10, 12, 14, 16] sts)

Leave rem sts on a holder.

TURTLE NECK

With US 6/4mm needles and mc and RS facing, rib across



8 [10, 12, 14, 16] sts from holder for gusset, then rib across 40 [46, 54, 64, 74] sts from holder for top of coat. (48 [56, 66, 78, 90] sts)

Work k1, p1 rib (matching rib with gusset) until polo neck measures 4¼ [4¾, 5, 5, 5½] in/ 11 [12, 13, 13, 14] cm.

Change to co.

Work 1 row k1, p1 rib.

Bind off loosely in rib.

LEG BANDS

Join gusset from end of leg openings to neck.

With US 6/4mm needles and mc, pick up 24 [26, 26, 26, 30] sts around first

leg opening, between markers.

Work 6 rows k1, p1 rib.

Change to co.

Work 1 row k1, p1 rib.

Bind off loosely in rib.

Repeat for second leg opening.

FINISHING

With RS together and matching leg openings, sew remaining gusset sides to top of coat. The cast-on edge of gusset should meet edge of rib on top of coat. Sew collar seam, reversing seam on outside for approx last 2¼–2½in/6–6.5cm of collar for turnback. Press gently.

PATCHWORK BABY BLANKET

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

Approx 30in/76cm wide and
39in/100cm long

LEVEL

Easy

NEEDLES AND YARN

- US 6/4mm knitting needles
- Erika Knight British Blue Wool (CYCA #3):
 - 70g (2½oz) of Milk – cream (cr)
 - 70g (2½oz) of Sea Fret – light grey (lg)
 - 60g (2¼oz) of Fawn (fn)
 - 60g (2¼oz) of Pretty – pale pink (pk)
 - 50g (2oz) of Iced Gem – aqua (ic)
 - 50g (2oz) of Mr Bhasin – petrol (mb)
 - 20g (¾oz) of Pitch – black (bl)
 - 15g (½oz) of Mouse – grey (mu)
 - 10g (¼oz) of Milk Chocolate (me)
- Erika Knight British Blue 100 (CYCA #3):
 - 50g (2oz) of French – mauve (fr)
 - 50g (2oz) of Kanoko – pale blue (pb)
- Rowan Kidsilk Haze (CYCA #2):
 - 15g (½oz) of Cream (mohair – mo) – use THREE strands together throughout

GAUGE

22 sts and 30 rows to 4in/10cm measured over st st

NOTE: Our baby blanket is made up of 20 squares, and each square has a seed stitch edge. You can alter the blanket, add initials, leave out the stripes or knit squares with only dogs – in other words, design your own blanket. The squares on the blanket are just the right size for any of the child-size dog breeds except the Dachshund, which is too long. Refer to the blanket plan on page 119 for the exact position of squares and use of colors.

