

THE BIG MARL

THE ULTIMATE STASH-BUSTING PROJECT

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THE BIG MARL IS A SQUISHY PILE OF GOODNESS, THAT WILL KEEP YOU WARM ALL WINTER LONG. EASILY CUSTOMIZABLE FOR ANY SIZE AND ANY COMBINATION OF YARNS. TRY MY RAINBOW TECHNIQUE FOR PICKING COLOURS - USE ALL OF COLOURS OF THE RAINBOW, EM BUT ELIMINATE AT LEAST ONE. IN THE EXAMPLE SHOWN I USED (ALMOST) NO GREEN, BUT ALL OTHER COLOURS WERE GAME! #BEATABOW



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ABBREVIATIONS

SSK - slip the first stitch as if to knit, slip the second stitch as if to knit, then slide the left-hand needle into the front part of both stitches and knit them together, decreasing one stitch.

kfb - knit front and back of the stitch, increasing one stitch.

wyif - with yarn in front

PATTERN NOTES

Keep I-cord edging very loose.

Blanket is marled and knit holding multiple strands of yarn together. The example was knit using the following combinations:

1 strand each of Aran, DK and Fingering weights

2 strands DK weight and 2 strands of Fingering weight

3 strands DK weight

Due to the different combinations parts of the blanket are slightly thicker or thinner depending on the combo but not noticeable overall. To maintain the same thickness throughout, stick to one combo e.g.

1 strand each of Aran, DK and Fingering weights.

OVERVIEW

YARN	Any! This blanket used a mix of Hedgehog Fibres Aran, Hedgehog Fibres Merino DK, Hedgehog Fibres Sock, Hedgehog Fibres Sock Minis, Hedgehog Fibres Twist Sock and Hedgehog Fibres Skinny Singles. Lace weight yarns can easily be added.
NEEDLE	10mm circular needle, preferably with a long cable
GAUGE	9 stitches and 18 rows = 4 inches in garter
DIMENSIONS	Approx. 120cm by 120cm The sample weighs 1200g
TOOLS	Darning needle
SKILLS REQUIRED	Increases, decreases, Kitchener stitch/Grafting
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INSTRUCTIONS

Cast on 3 stitches and knit 3 rows of i-cord. Pick up one stitch along the side of the icord. Turn work and pick up 3 stitches from the cast on edge. Knit 1 stitch and slip remaining 3 stitches wyif.

Set-up row 1: Knit 3, kfb, Slip 3wyif.

Set-up row 2: Knit to last 3 stitches, Slip 3wyif.

Increase Row: Knit 3, kfb, knit to last 3 stitches, Slip 3wyif.

Repeat increase row until the sides measure the desired width/length of the blanket. In the example shown this was 4 feet. Continue work with Decrease row.

Decrease Row: Knit 3, SSK, knit to last 3 stitches, Slip 3wyif.

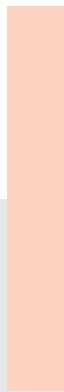
Repeat decrease row until 7 stitches left remain (3 for each icord edge and one stitch in middle).

Next row - Knit 2, SSK, slip last 3.

Graft i-cord stitches together and weave in any ends.

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