

3 Squared #2

(make your favorite size - photo shows 7")

needed:

light worsted yarn

(12" size requires approx 50 gm/1.75 oz - approx 110 yards)

4.5 mm (us 7) knitting needles, or size needed to achieve gauge
gauge: 4" = 18 st/34 r

abbreviations:

k: knit

k2tog: knit two stitches together (right-leaning decrease)

m1: with the tip of the needle, lift the purl bump from the previous st in the row below for right edge increases -- from the next st for left edge increases -- onto your left needle and knit it.

RS: right side

ssk: slip two stitches (individually) knitwise, insert left needle into the front of the two stitches (needles will be pointing in opposite directions) and knit the slipped stitches together (left-leaning decrease)

sk2p: slip 1 st knitwise. k2tog. insert needle into slipped st and slip the st over the knitted stitch. (double decrease)

WS: wrong side

yarn used in photo: Berella 4 (shown at 7" - worked to 39 st before decreasing)



DESIGNER NOTES: this square is worked diagonally.

work increase rows until one side is desired length, then work decrease rows.

pattern must be worked until there are 23 st before beginning decreases.

stitch count should always be an odd number.

instructions:

beginning & garter increases:

cast on 3 st with your favourite cast on

row 2: p1, k1, p1

row 3: (RS) k1, k in front, back, and front of next st, k1 (5 st)

row 4: p1, k3, p1

row 5: k1, m1, k3, m1, k1 (7 st)

row 6: p1, k to last st, p1

row 7: k1, m1, k5, m1, k1 (9 st)

row 8: p1, k to last st, p1

stockinette increases:

RS: k1, m1, k to last st, m1, k1 (11 st)

WS: p1, k4, p to last 5 st, k4, p1

repeat these rows until there are 17 st

seed st increases:

transition: (RS) k1, m1, k7, p1, k7, m1, k1 (19 st)

WS: p1, k4, p to last 5 st, k4, p1

RS: k1, m1, k7. *p1, k1. repeat from * to last 8 st.
k7, m1, 51.

continue in established seed st increase pattern, increasing one st each end of RS row, until side of square is desired length. End having completed a WS row.

seed st decreases:

RS: k1, ssk, k7. *p1, k1. repeat from * to last 10 st. k7, k2tog, k1.

WS: p1, k4, p to last 5 st, k4, p1

repeat these rows until there are 21 st remaining. count will reduce by 2 st each RS row

stockinette decreases:

transition: (RS) k1, ssk, k7, p1, k7, k2tog, k1 (19 st)

WS: p1, k4, p to last 5 st, k4, p1

RS: k1, ssk, k to last 3 sts, k2tog, k1.

repeat rows 1 and 2 until 11 st remain.

End having completed a WS row.

garter decreases & finishing:

row 1: k1, ssk, k5, k2tog, k1 (9 st)

row 2: (and WS rows through row 6) p1, k to last st, p1

row 3: k1, ssk, k3, k2tog, k1. (7 st)

row 5: k1, ssk, k1, k2tog, k1. (5 st)

row 7: (last row) k1, sk2p, k1. (3 st)

pull tail through all loops. weave in ends.

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