

Blanket Squares for the Linus Project

This fun project is perfect to use up your scrap yarns, while contributing to a very meaningful project. Make your square solid or striped with your left over washable yarn. Don't worry about color or pattern – just start working!

Directions are given to make 6x6 inch squares in different yarn weights. We will put these squares together to finish blankets to send to the Linus Project.

The different weights, needle sizes, and gauges are detailed as follows:

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<u>Yarn Weight</u>	<u>Needle Size</u>	<u>Approximate Gauge,</u> <u>(sts / 4")</u>
Dk (#3)	5	22
Worsted (#4)	8	19
Bulky (#5)	10	15-19

If you have finer yarns, we encourage you to combine them and use strands held together to make the squares quicker to work. (A general rule is a fingering weight (#2) doubled is equivalent to a dk.)

You can donate squares at any time to JJ's Knitting Knook. We will have a day devoted to making and collecting these squares on August 27th.

Here are some square ideas. Patterns are written for dk, with changes for worsted and bulky written in parenthesis.

For each of the patterns below, work the given pattern rows until the square measures 6", then bind off. These are suggestions for simple squares; please feel free to use your own pattern.

Garter Square:

Cast on 33 (29, 24) sts. Knit until piece measures 6 inches. Bind off.

Broken Rib:

Cast on 34 (30, 26) sts.

Row 1 (RS): K2, *p2, k2; rep from * to end.

Row 2 (WS): Knit.

K2, P2, Rib:

Cast on 38 (34, 30) sts.

Row 1 (RS): K2, *p2, k2; rep from * to end.

Row 2 (WS): P2, *k2, p2; rep from * to end.

Cartridge Stitch:

Cast on 33 (29, 24) sts.

(RS) Row 1, 3, 4, 6: Knit.

(WS) Row 2 and 5: Purl.

Trinity Stitch:

Cast on 33, (30, 24) sts

Row 1: *K3, p3; rep from * across.

Repeat Row 1.

Loop Pattern:

Cast on 34 (30, 24) sts.

Row 1 (RS): Knit

Row 2 (WS): *K1, sl 1; rep from * to last 2 sts, k2.

Row 3: Knit.

Row 4: K2, *sl 1, k1, rep from * to end.

Vertical Bar Lines:

Cast on 34 (30, 26) sts

Row 1 (RS): P2, *k2, p2; rep from * to end.

Row 2 (WS): K2, *keeping yarn to the back, slip next 2 sts purlwise, k2; rep from * to end.

Dot Stitch:

Cast on 35 (31, 27) sts

Row 1(RS): K1, *p1, k3; rep from * to last 2 sts.

Row 2 (WS): Purl.

Row 3:*K3, p1; rep from * to last 3 sts, k3.

Row 4: Purl

Box Stitch:

Cast on 34 (30, 26) sts

Row 1 (RS): K2, *p2, k2; rep from * to end.

Row 2 (WS): P2, *k2, p2; rep from * to end.

Row 3: Repeat row 2

Row 4: Repeat row 1

Double Rice Stitch

Cast on 35 (31, 27) sts

Row 1 (WS): P1, *K tbl, p1; rep from * to end.

Row 2 (RS): Knit

Row 3: *K tbl, p1; rep from * to last st, K tbl.

Row 4: Knit.

Basket Weave:

Cast on 36, (32, 28) sts.

Row 1: K4, *p4, k4; rep from * to end.

Row 2: P4, *k4, p4; rep from * to end.

Repeat rows 1 & 2 once more.

Row 5: As Row 2.

Row 6: As Row 1.

Repeat rows 5 & 6 once more.