ALLIE'S BLANKIE

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This lacy, cabled baby blanket is knitted from soft, 100% cotton yarn for maximum comfort and cuddliness. It machine-washes and dries nicely, despite the yarn's washing instructions. This little afghan makes a great lap-blanket, too.

Skill Level Intermediate

Yarn 21 oz / 595g or 1050 yds / 961m worsted weight soft cotton yarn, such as Bernat Cottontots or Lion Brand Nature's Choice Organic Cotton in photo: Bernat Cottontots - 5 skeins "Cottage Colors," 2 skeins "Earth Child"

Additional Materials

US size 8 / 5.0cm circular knitting needles with 36" / 91.5cm cable or longer cable stitch needle / holder

Finished Measurements approx. 35" x 42" / 89cm x107cm (before machine-drying)

Gauge 15 sts x 20 rows = 3.5" x 3.5" / 9cm x 9cm in stockinette

Pattern Notes

- U.S. knitting terms
- This pattern uses soft cotton yarn, which has a fluffy roving core with a thin cotton thread wound around it. Regular worsted weight cotton yarn can be used, but it won't be as comfy.
- Care for this blanket is easy: machine wash and dry. It should hold its shape and size fairly well, depending upon the yarn used. However, cotton yarn will probably shrink in the dryer-width: about 1", length: about 3" for Cottontots. If you don't have a dryer, lay it out to dry flat.
- The blanket in the photo was made by working the stitch pattern with 2 skeins of the main color (MC), then 1 skein contrasting color (CC), 1 skein MC, 1 skein CC, 2 skeins MC.
- The side edges roll slightly for a finished look.
- The first and last 4 rows are worked in garter stitch.

Stitch Abbreviations

<u>K2tog</u> - knit 2 stitches together <u>YO</u> - yarn over

Instructions

Cable cast on 162 sts.

Row 1-4: Knit.

Row 5: Purl.

Row 6: [(K2tog) 3 times, (K1, YO) 6 times, (K2tog) 3 times, K6] 6 times, (K2tog) 3 times, (K1, YO) 6 times, (K2tog) 3 times.

Row 7: Purl.

Row 8: K3, [P12, K12] 6 times, P12, K3.

Row 9: Purl.

Row 10: Repeat Row 6.

Row 11: Purl.

Row 12: K3, [P12, K3, place next 3 sts on cable needle in front of work, K3, K3 from cable needle, K3] 6 times, P12, K3.



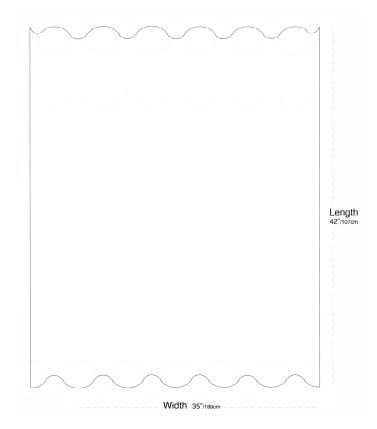
Repeat Rows 5-12 about 27 times, or to desired length.

Repeat Rows 5-8.

Repeat Rows 1-4.

Bind off.

Schematic Diagram





Check my blog for tips and variations on this pattern.

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