

chocolate parfait baby blanket by narangkar glover



Dimensions

28" x 28"

Gauge

24 stitches and 32
rows = 4"

Needles

US 5 – 3.75mm

Yarn

Rowan Lenpur
Linen in Pueblo
(approximately 900
yards, or 8 skeins),
or any similar yarn

Abbreviations

K – Knit

P – Purl

K2tog – Knit two stitches together

YO – Yarn Over

SSK – Slip two stitches from left needle to right needle,
Knit those two stitches together

Sl1, K2tog, PSSO – Slip one stitch from left to right
needle, Knit two stitches together, Pass Slipped Stitch
Over (Double Decrease)

Instructions

Cast on a total of 160 stitches

Note: When working flat I like to slip the first stitch on every row. This creates a neater selvedge.

Begin border by working in Seed Stitch (K1, P1 Right Side; P1, K1 Wrong Side) for 10 rows, or 1.5 inches

Beginning on a Right Side Row: K1, P1 (4 times), Work in Pattern provided on page 2 (9 times), K1, P1 (4 times).

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Wrong Side: P1, K1 (4 times) Purl across to last 8 stitches, P1, K1 (4 times).
Continue on in this manner until piece measures 26.5" ending with a wrong side row.

Next Row (Right Side): Work in Seed Stitch (K1, P1 Right Side; P1, K1 Wrong Side) for 10 rows, or 1.5 inches. Bind off.

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- | knit on right side, purl on wrong side
- purl on right side, knit on wrong side
- yarn over
- λ k2tog
- λ ssk
- Λ slip one, k2tog, pssso

Even Number Rows are Wrong Side
Odd Number Rows are Right Side

ADDITIONAL TIPS FOR CALCULATING YOUR OWN DIMENSIONS FOR ANY PIECE

When I began designing the Chocolate Parfait Baby Blanket, I made a number of calculations that would help me figure the final dimensions based on the amount of yarn I had on hand. This was because my yarn of choice had been discontinued, and I wanted to use up everything I had (8 skeins of Rowan Lenpur Linen). A baby blanket is typically a square, so the first things I needed to know was *how many stitches would I need to cast on?*

If you want to make your blanket bigger or smaller, or, like me, you only have so much yarn on hand, follow these simple calculations (you can find them on my Ravelry page and on my blog as well):

1. Knit a swatch and measure the total AREA. Eg. if your swatch measures 6.62" by 5.25", the area is $6.62 \times 5.25 = 34.75$ square inches.
2. Weigh your swatch on a kitchen or postal scale. Convert Ounces to Grams since most balls are measured in Grams. Hint: 1 oz. = 28.35 grams
3. Divide the swatch AREA by swatch WEIGHT (in grams). Eg. $34.75 \div 14.175g = 2.45$ sq. inches per gram.
4. Figure your total weight (in grams). Example: I figured for 6.5 balls, each weighing roughly 50g the total equals 325g. ($6.5 \times 50 = 325$)
5. Multiply total weight by square inches per gram. Eg: $325 \times 2.45 = 796.25$ square inches
6. Take the square root of that number. Mine comes to 28. So, I have enough for a 28 x 28 inch blanket.
7. Measure your GAUGE. Use gauge measurements to figure how many stitches to cast on. Eg: My gauge was precisely 5.7 stitches per inch. So, $5.7 \times 28 = 159.6$, rounded up to 160 stitches.