
THE MAGIC SQUARE BLANKET

This is a blanket of knitted squares without having to sew the squares together.

You can use any ply wool with the appropriate size needles but keep to the same ply throughout.

The first strip of squares:

Cast on an odd number of stitches, according to the size of the square you want.

Below is an example and directions for the knitting of the Magic Square blanket:

Knitting the first square

Cast on 51 stitches.

**Row 1. Knit 25, p1, K25	Row 2. Knit 24, Sl 1, k2tog, pss0, K24
Row 3. Knit 24, p1, K24	Row 4. Knit 23, Sl 1, k2tog, pss0, K23
Row 5. Knit 23, p1, K23	Row 6. Knit 22, Sl 1, k2tog, pss0, K22
Row 7. Knit 22, p1, K22	Row 8. Knit 21, Sl 1, k2tog, pss0, K21
Row 9. Knit 21, p1, K21	Row 10. Knit 20, Sl 1, k2tog, pss0, K20
Row 11. Knit 20, p1, K20	Row 12. Knit 19, Sl 1, k2tog, pss0, K19

Continue in this manner until 1 st remains**

Then pick up and knit 25 sts along top of square (you will now have 26sts on the needle) then cast on 25 sts (you will now have 51 sts on the needle)

Follow instructions for **Knitting the first square** from ** to ** until 1 st remains.

- Continue in this manner adding squares until the length of the strip is the finished length of blanket that you want.
- Fasten off the remaining stitch.

The second strip of squares:

Begin at the bottom of the first strip.

Cast on 26sts, pick up and knit 25 sts along the side of the 1st square (you will now have 51 sts on your needle)

Follow instructions for **Knitting the first square** from ** to ** until 1 st remains

Then pick up and knit 25 sts along top of square (you will now have 26sts on the needle) and pick up and knit 25 sts along the side of 2nd square of first strip (you will now have 51 sts on your needle)

Follow instructions for **Knitting the first square** from ** to ** until 1 st remains

- Repeat until length of 1st strip is reached.
 - Fasten off the remaining stitch.
 - Continue in this manner adding strips until the blanket is the finished size required.
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