

Fairytale Blanket



MEASUREMENTS

Complete blanket approximately

90 x 126cm/35½ x 49¾in

SKILL LEVEL



MATERIALS

- 1 x 100g (295m) ball of Stylecraft Special DK (100% acrylic) in each of **Pomegranate** (1083), **Apricot** (1026), **Spring Green** (1316), **Sherbet** (1034), **Fondant** (1241), **Lemon** (1020), **Wisteria** (1432) and 2 balls of **White** (1001).
Get the exclusive yarn pack from theknittingnetwork.co.uk.
- A set of 4mm (UK 8) circular knitting needles (80-100cm length to accommodate the large number of stitches).

TENSION

22 stitches and 30 rows to 10 x 10cm/4 x 4in, over stocking stitch, using 4mm needles.

ABBREVIATIONS

K, knit; **p**, purl; **st(s)**, stitch(es); **sl1**, slip 1 st purlwise from the left-hand needle to the right-hand needle without knitting it; **k2tog**, knit 2 sts together (to decrease 1 st); **kfb**, knit into the front and back of the same st (to increase 1 st); **p2tog**, purl 2 sts together (to decrease 1 st); **yrn**, yarn round needle to make 1 st (bring yarn between needles to front then take it over the right-hand needle to the back, ready to knit the next st).

NOTES

Blanket is worked back and forth (in rows) on circular needles to accommodate the large number of stitches. Cut yarn after each colour change, leaving a tail end of approximately 15cm/6in for weaving in later. Yarn amounts are based on average requirements and are therefore approximate. Instructions in square brackets are worked as stated after 2nd bracket.

How to make

BLANKET

With 4mm circular knitting needles and White, cast on 176 sts.
Work in rows back and forth.

1st row (RS): K.

2nd row: K.

Change to Pomegranate.

3rd row: K.

4th row: *K1, sl1; repeat from * to last 2 sts, k2.

5th row: K.

6th row: K2, *sl1, k1; repeat from * to end.

7th row: K.

8th row: As 4th row.

9th row: K.

10th row: As 6th row.

11th row: K.

12th row: As 4th row.

13th row: K.

14th row: As 6th row.

Change to Fondant.

15th to 26th rows: As 3rd to 14th rows.

Change to White.

27th to 30th rows: K 4 rows.

Change to Apricot.

31st row: K.

32nd row: P.

33rd row: *K2, yrn, k2tog; repeat from * to end.

34th row: P.

35th row: K1, *yrn, k2tog, k2; repeat from * to last 3 sts, yrn, k2tog, k1.

36th row: P.

37th row: K3, *yrn, k2tog, k2; repeat from * to last st, k1.

38th row: P.

39th row: As 35th row.

40th row: P.

Change to White.

41st to 44th rows: K 4 rows.

Change to Lemon.

45th to 54th rows: As 31st to 40th rows.

Change to White.

55th to 58th rows: K 4 rows.

Change to Spring Green.

59th to 70th rows: As 3rd to 14th rows.

Change to Sherbet.

71st to 82nd rows: As 3rd to 14th rows.

Change to White.

83rd to 86th rows: K 4 rows.

Change to Wisteria.

87th to 96th rows: As 31st to 40th rows.

Change to White.

97th to 100th rows: K 4 rows.

Change to Pomegranate.

101st to 110th rows: As 31st to 40th rows.

Change to White.

111th to 114th rows: K 4 rows.

Change to Fondant.

115th to 126th rows: As 3rd to 14th rows.

Change to Apricot.

127th to 138th rows: As 3rd to 14th rows.

Change to White.

139th to 142nd rows: K 4 rows.

Change to Lemon.

143rd row: K1 *yrn, k2, pass yrn over the k2; repeat from * to last st, k1.

144th row: P.

Change to Spring Green.

145th to 158th rows: Repeat 143rd to 144th rows, 7 times more, in the following colour sequence: 2 rows Spring Green/2 rows Sherbert/2 rows Wisteria/2 rows White/2 rows Pomegranate/2 rows Fondant/2 rows Apricot.

Change to White.

159th to 162nd rows: K 4 rows.

Change to Lemon.

163rd to 174th rows: As 3rd to 14th rows.

Change to Spring Green.

175th to 186th rows: As 3rd to 14th rows.

Change to White.

187th to 190th rows: K 4 rows.

Change to Sherbert.

191st to 206th rows: Repeat 143rd to 144th rows, 8 times more, in the following colour sequence: 2 rows Sherbert/2 rows Wisteria/2 rows Pomegranate/2 rows Fondant/2 rows White/2 rows Apricot/2 rows Lemon/2 rows Spring Green.

Change to White.

207th to 210th rows: K 4 rows.

Change to Sherbet.

211th to 222nd rows: As 3rd to 14th rows.

Change to Wisteria.

223rd to 234th rows: As 3rd to 14th rows.

Change to White.

235th to 238th rows: K 4 rows.

Change to Pomegranate.

239th to 248th rows: As 31st to 40th rows.

Change to White.

249th to 252nd rows: K 4 rows.

Change to Fondant.

253rd to 262nd rows: As 31st to 40th rows.

Change to White.

263rd to 266th rows: K 4 rows.

Change to Apricot.

267th to 278th rows: As 3rd to 14th rows.

Change to Lemon.

279th to 290th rows: As 3rd to 14th rows.

Change to White.

291st to 294th rows: K 4 rows.

Change to Spring Green.

295th to 304th rows: As 31st to 40th rows.

Change to White.

305th to 308th rows: K 4 rows.

Change to Sherbet.

309th to 318th rows: As 31st to 40th rows.

Change to White.

319th to 322nd rows: K 4 rows.

Change to Wisteria.

323rd to 334th rows: As 3rd to 14th rows.

Change to Pomegranate.

335th to 346th rows: As 3rd to 14th rows.

Change to White.

347th to 350th rows: K 4 rows.

Change to Fondant.

351st to 366th rows: Repeat 143rd to 144th rows, 8 times more, in the following colour sequence: 2 rows Fondant/2 rows Apricot/2 rows Lemon/2 rows Spring Green/2 rows White/2 rows Sherbet/2 rows Wisteria/2 rows Pomegranate.

Change to White.

367th to 370th rows: K 4 rows.

Change to Fondant.

371st to 382nd rows: As 3rd to 14th rows.

Change to Apricot.

383rd to 394th rows: As 3rd to 14th rows.

Change to White.

395th to 398th rows: K 4 rows.

Change to Lemon.

399th-414th rows: Repeat 143rd to 144th rows, 8 times more, in the following colour sequence: 2 rows Lemon/2 rows Spring Green/2 rows Sherbet/2 rows Wisteria/2 rows White/2 rows Pomegranate/2 rows Fondant/2 rows Apricot.

Change to White.

415th to 418th rows: K 4 rows.

Change to Lemon.

419th to 430th rows: As 3rd to 14th rows.

Change to Spring Green.

431st to 442nd rows: As 3rd to 14th rows.

Change to White.

443rd to 444th rows: K 2 rows.

Cast off knitwise.

BORDERS

Top and bottom borders (both alike)

With 4mm circular needles and with RS facing and Sherbet, pick up and knit 176 sts (counts as first row).

2nd row: increase row (wrong side): Kfb, k to last st, kfb – 178 sts (2 sts increased).

Change to White.

3rd row: K.

4th row: increase row: Kfb, k to last st, kfb – 180 sts (2 sts increased).

5th to 14th rows: Repeat 3rd and 4th rows a further 5 times (10 more rows), in the following colour sequence: 2 rows Wisteria/2 rows White/2 rows Pomegranate/2 rows White/2 rows Fondant – 190 sts.

Change to White.

15th to 16th rows: K 2 rows.

Cast off knitwise. Repeat for the bottom border.

Side borders (both alike)

With 4mm circular needles and with RS facing and White, pick up and knit 240 sts (counts as first row).

2nd row: K.

Change to Sherbet and repeat 3rd and 4th rows of top and bottom borders, 7 times (14 rows), in the following colour sequence: 2 rows Sherbet/2 rows White/2 rows Wisteria/2 rows White/2 rows Pomegranate/2 rows White/2 rows Fondant – 254 sts.

Change to White.

17th to 18th rows: K 2 rows.

Cast off knitwise.

TO MAKE UP

Join the corners of the borders and sew them together on the wrong side, matching up the stripes