Alpaca Lace
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I’ve wanted to try shading Alpaca Lace by triple stranding and changing one color at a time. It knit up fairly quickly and the results are beautiful. With 36 colors to choose from there are numerous combinations that can be put together for this project. I did use a lifeline every color change as this does not rip out well if you make any mistakes.

Materials:
Alpaca Lace (100% Baby Alpaca; 437 yds/50 g) 1 skein each of 4 colors – shown in: [A] 1403 (Ballerina Pink), [B] 1410 (Peony Pink), [C] 1407 (Amethyst Heather), [D] 1416 (Thistle) – wind each color into 3 balls
-US 7 Needles
-Scrap of yarn for Life Line
-Needle for weaving in ends

Abbreviations: K – Knit
 K1 – Knit 1
 K2TOG – Knit 2 together
 YO – Yarn over
 SI1 – Slip 1
 PSSO – Pass Slipped Stitch Over

Pattern:
Row 1: [RS] – K1 *K2TOG, YO, K1, YO, Sl1, K1, PSSO; Repeat from *; end K1
Row 2: Purl

Essentially you knit 3 strands of Alpaca Lace for 14 rows of the pattern and then change 1 strand to the next color. When you get to color D, you knit the pattern for 56 rows. Then you reverse the order of the colors and go back to changing every 14 rows.

Cast on 27 stitches with 3 strands of [A]. Knit 14 rows of pattern.
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Bind off loosely.
Weave in ends.