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Pacific Chunky

Block & Stripes Blanket

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Finished Size: 43" wide x 60" long

Materials:

Cascade Yarns *Pacific Chunky* (60% Acrylic/40% Superwash Merino Wool)

(100g/3.5 oz skeins)

- 5 skeins - Color #70 Blue (MC)
- 3 skeins - Color #02 White
- 3 skeins - Color #48 Black
- 2 skeins - Color #25 Orange
- 2 skeins - Color #33 Green

Size 10 needles

Size 10 (29") circular needle

Gauge: 15 sts/4" and 18 rows/4" (Each block is 13" wide x 14" long and 50 sts x 64 rows)

Note: Blanket is made in 3 strips and sewn together. There is a selvedge stitch on each side of the strips. This makes it very easy to sew together and to pick up stitches for the borders.

Stitch Pattern:

Row 1 (RS): Slip the first stitch knitwise. Knit across.

Row 2: Slip the first stitch knitwise. Purl to last stitch, k1.

Repeat Rows 1 and 2 for pattern.

Strip 1:

Block 1: Cast on 50 sts with Green on size 10 needles.

Repeat stitch Pattern 32 times. (64 rows) Cut yarn.

Block 2 (Stripe Block): *Change to White. Repeat Stitch Pattern 4 times. (8 rows) Cut yarn. Change to Black. Repeat Stitch Pattern 4 times. (8 rows) Cut yarn; repeat from * 3 times more. (8 stripes/64 rows)

Block 3: Change to Orange. Repeat Stitch Pattern 32 times. Cut yarn.

Block 4: Repeat Block 2 (Stripe Block) Bind off.

Strip 2:

Block 1: Cast on 50 sts with White on size 10 needles.

Repeat Stripe Block. Cut yarn.

Block 2: Change to Blue. Repeat Stitch Pattern 32 times. Cut yarn.

Block 3: Repeat Stripe Block. Cut yarn.

Block 4: Change to Blue. Repeat Stitch Pattern 32 times. Bind off.

Strip 3:

Block 1: Cast on 50 sts with Orange.

Repeat Stitch Pattern 32 times. Cut yarn.

Block 2: Repeat Stripe Block. Cut yarn.

Block 3: Change to Green. Repeat Stitch Pattern 32 times. Cut yarn.

Block 4: Repeat Stripe Block. Bind off.

Weave in tails. Block Strips and sew together.

Borders:

Notes:

1. To evenly pick up stitches, place a marker every 4” and pick up the same number of stitches between markers. (ie. 15 sts between markers = 4“)

2. It is easier to pick up stitches with a needle a size or two smaller and place them on the working needle.

3. The circular needle is used because of the large number of stitches. You will work back and forth as on straight needles.

Long Side Ribbing Borders:

From right side, pick up 255 sts with Blue and size 10 (29”) circular needle along the long edge of Strip 1.

Ribbing:

Row 1 (WS): K1, *p1, k1; repeat from * across.

Row 2: P1, *k1, p1; repeat from * across.

Repeat Rows 1 and 2 four times, then repeat Row 1 once. (9 rows) Bind off.

Repeat Ribbing Border on long edge of Strip 3.

Top and Bottom Ribbing Borders:

From right side, pick up 165 sts with Blue and size 10 (29”) circular needle along the Top edge of the Blanket.

Work Ribbing the same as for the Long Side Ribbing Borders.

Repeat Ribbing Border on Bottom edge of blanket.

Weave in tails.