A variation of Basket Weave





Blanket made with strips

Blanket made in one piece

Material: Approx 150 / 200grms Double Knitting wool and 4mm (UK size 8) needles

Cast on 22 stitches. <u>1st Block:</u> Rows 1-6: Knit 6 rows Rows 7 - 12 (Pattern) 1st row Knit 4 *Purl 2 Knit 4* Repeat from * to* twice more. 2nd row Knit 6, Purl 4, Knit 2, Purl 4, Knit 6. Repeat these 2 rows twice more. Rows 13 - 18: Knit 6 rows Rows 19 - 24: Repeat pattern rows 7-12 Rows 25 - 30: Knit 6 rows

Change colour.

Repeat the 30 row block 5 times, continuing to change colour each time you restart the block. Cast off.

Make a further 4 strips. (If using 2 colours, alternate the colour you use for casting on.)

Sew up using a flat seam - making sure to place the strips to give a chessboard effect.

Either double crochet or pick up stitches and knit a border to neaten.

More variations:

Increase the needle size to a larger size giving a looser design.

Enlarge or decrease size by changing the number of blocks / strips.

Use 'ball ends' to make a multicoloured blanket.

Use the 30 row pattern to make it in one piece instead of strips Fasten the strips together (see photo) using a flat crochet stitch - technical name unknown(!) and impossible to describe method on paper!