

Marty's Afghan



Materials:

1600 Yards of a worsted weight yarn.
I used the beautiful hand-dyed 100% pima cotton Laurel from Shaefer Yarns. (this yarn is now discontinued but has an extraordinary lasting life. Should you find on the market...buy!)

Needles: Size US 8

Stitch Patterns:

Borders: (4 row pattern)

Row 1: K3, P3, K3

Row 2: P3, K3, P3

Row 3: P3, K3, P3

Row 4: K3, P3, K3

Blocks (Body of Blanket): (Each block is made up 12 rows)

First Block

Odd Rows: K9, P9, K9

Even Rows: P9, K9, P9

Second Block

Odd Rows: P9, K9, P9

Even Rows: K9, P9, K9

Note: Alternating these 2 blocks of twelve create the basketweave pattern

Instructions:

Cast on 189 stitches. Work Border pattern for 12 rows.

Keeping 9 edge stitches on each edge, begin Block Stitch Pattern.

Work until 30 rows of blocks have been completed.

Remember each block has 12 rows, so 30 rows of blocks equals 360 rows plus the original 12 rows of the border. A lot of fun knitting!

Work 11 rows of the Border pattern. Cast off in pattern. You really do want to work 11 rows; the cast off row acts like the 12th row.

2004: I knit this blanket during my mother Marty's cancer illness. She loved the afghan and wanted it for herself when it was done. For me it was my comfort knitting. In memory of Mom....Carolyn

2016: I have recently been diagnosed with Non-Hodgkins Lymphoma. This blanket is now my comfort blanket as I fight this battle which is recorded at <https://www.caringbridge.org/visit/carolynandmathilda>.....Carolyn



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