

Knitting

for Beginners



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Letter from the Editors

Dear Knitters,

So you've decided to embark on the exciting journey that is knitting – congratulations! Inside this special collection, you'll find six patterns that are all designed to improve your knitting skills. After all, there is no secret sauce to getting better at knitting; you just have to practice, practice and practice!

Are you worried that all that practicing with simple patterns will get boring? Don't be, because we've provided a wide variety of all different types of knit items to keep things interesting. From fabulous kitchen knits to easy gift ideas for baby showers, you'll be able to make a variety of patterns as you improve your skills and build up your confidence!

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Happy Knitting,

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For the Kitchen

Cotton Stripes Dishcloth

By: Bernat

Create practical yet attractive dishcloths with this free pattern that's ideal for beginners. The cotton yarn featured in this design is washable and easy to work with.



Materials:

- Yarn: 1 ball of Bernat Handicrafter Stripes (42.5 g / 1.5 oz) (21143 Country Stripes)
- Knitting Needles: Size 5.5 mm (U.S. 9) knitting needles or size needed to obtain gauge.

Gauge:

15 sts and 28 rows = 4" [10 cm] in garter st.

Measurements:

10" [25.5 cm] square.

Instructions:

Cast on 37 sts.

Knit every row (garter st) for 10 ins 25.5 cm. Cast off knitwise.

Sugar n' Cream Stripes Placemat

By: Lily Sugar'n Cream

Jazz up your table with this beautiful pastel striped placemat. Easily impress guests with your knitting prowess using this simple design!



Instructions:

Cast on 47 sts.

1st row: (WS). K1. *P1. K1. Rep from * to end of row.

Rep last row for 17 ins [43 cm], ending with a RS row. Cast off in pat.

Measurements:

Approx 11 x 17 ins [28 x 43 cm].

Materials:

- **Lily® Sugar'n Cream® Stripes**
 - (56.7 g / 2 oz)
 - #21732 (Pinky Stripes) **2 balls**

OR

- **Lily® Sugar'n Cream® Stripes Super Size**
 - 70.9 g / 2.5 oz
 - #23732 (Pinky Stripes) **2 balls**
- Size 5 mm (U.S. 8) knitting needles **or size needed to obtain gauge.**

Gauge:

18 sts and 24 rows = 4 ins [10 cm]
in stocking st.

For the Wardrobe

Easy Knit Slippers

By: Bernat

Looking for some thrifty gift ideas? Use this Easy Knit Slippers pattern to create a cozy gift for everyone on your gift list. While you're at it, you might as well use these knitting instructions and whip up a pair for yourself.



Materials:

- Bernat® Handicrafter® Twists (80 g/2.8 oz) 45708 (Yuletide Twist) 2 (2-2) balls OR
- Bernat® Handicrafter® Twists (280 g/9.9 oz) 66708 (Yuletide Twist) 1 (1-1) ball OR
- Bernat® Handicrafter® Cotton (50 g/1.75 oz) 2(2-2) balls
- Size 4 mm (U.S. 6) knitting needles or size needed to obtain gauge. Optional: Ribbon.

GAUGE:

21 sts and 28 rows = 4 ins [10 cm] in stocking st.

Instructions:

Cast on 13 sts.

1st row: (RS). K3. M1. K1 (place marker on last st). M1. K5. M1. K1 (place marker on last st). M1. K3. 17 sts.

2nd and alt rows: Purl.

3rd row: K4. M1. Knit marked st. M1. K7. M1. Knit marked st. M1. K4. 21 sts.

5th row: K5. M1. Knit marked st. M1. K9. M1. Knit marked st. M1. K5. 25 sts.

7th row: K6. M1. Knit marked st. M1. K11. M1. Knit marked st. M1. K6. 29 sts.

Cont in this manner, working M1 at either side of marked sts on following alt rows twice more. 37 sts.

Cont even in stocking st until work from beg measures 4 (4¼-4½) ins [10 (11-11.5) cm] ending with a purl row. Place marker at each end of last row.

Next row: (RS). Knit.

Next row: K9. P19. K9.

Rep last 2 rows until work from beg measures 8½ (9-9½) ins [21.5 (23-24) cm] ending with a RS row.

Next row: (WS). K9. (K1. K2tog) 6 times. K1. K9. 31 sts.

Next row: K9. Cast off 13 sts. K9.

Join a 2nd ball of yarn to first 9 sts. Working both sides at same time, cont in garter st (knit every row) until strips from cast off edge measure 1¼ ins [3 cm]. Cast off . Sew ends of back strips tog. Sew side of strips to cast off edge of Slipper. Sew center front seam to marked row. Sew toe closed.

Optional: Tie ribbon into bow and sew to slippers as shown in picture.

Shifting Colors Dishcloth Scarf

By: Lily Sugar'n Cream

This fun scarf tutorial is perfect for improving your knitting skills. Create two versions of this fabulous scarf using the suggested pattern below, or create your own scarf if your favorite hues! Just have fun with it!



- Contrast C 01223 (Mod Green) 2 balls
- Contrast D 01111 (Mod Blue) 2 balls
- Contrast E 01215 (Robin's Egg) 2 balls
- Size 4.5 mm (U.S. 7) knitting needles or size needed to obtain gauge. Large eye blunt-ended needle.

Gauge:

19 stitches

Instructions:

Make 5 Solid Squares, 1 each in Contrast A, B, C, D and E.

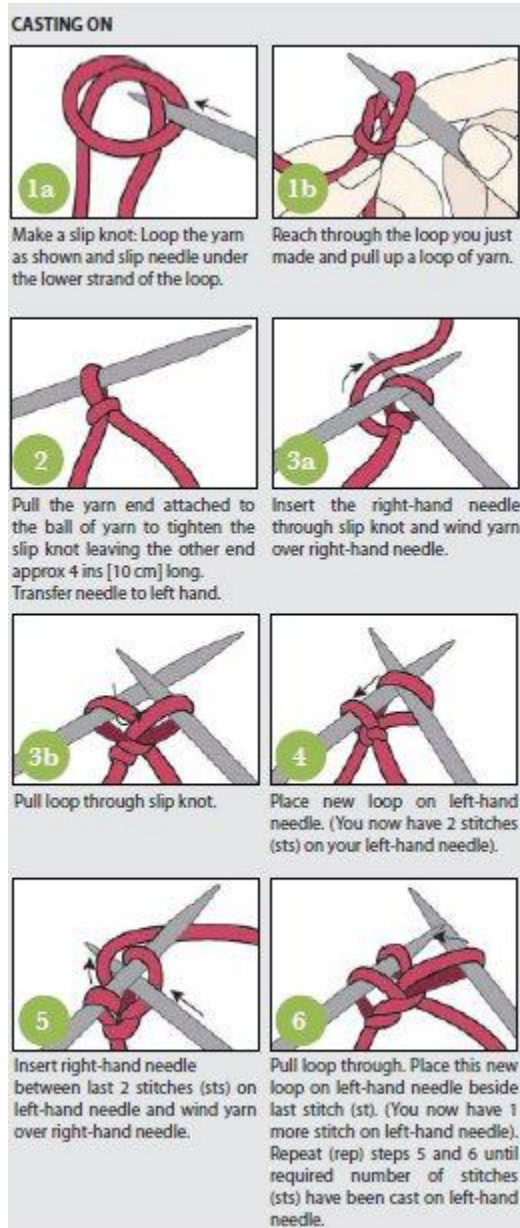
Materials:

- Lily® Sugar'n Cream® (Solids: 70.9 g/2.5 oz; 109 m/120 yds)
 - **Version 1**
 - Contrast A 00015 (Wine) 2 balls
 - Contrast B 01530 (Country Red) 2 balls
 - Contrast C 00095 (Red) 2 balls
 - Contrast D 01699 (Tangerine) 2 balls
 - Contrast E 00042 (Tea Rose) 2 balls
 - **Version 2**
 - Contrast A 01222 (Country Green) 2 balls
 - Contrast B 00084 (Sage Green) 2 balls

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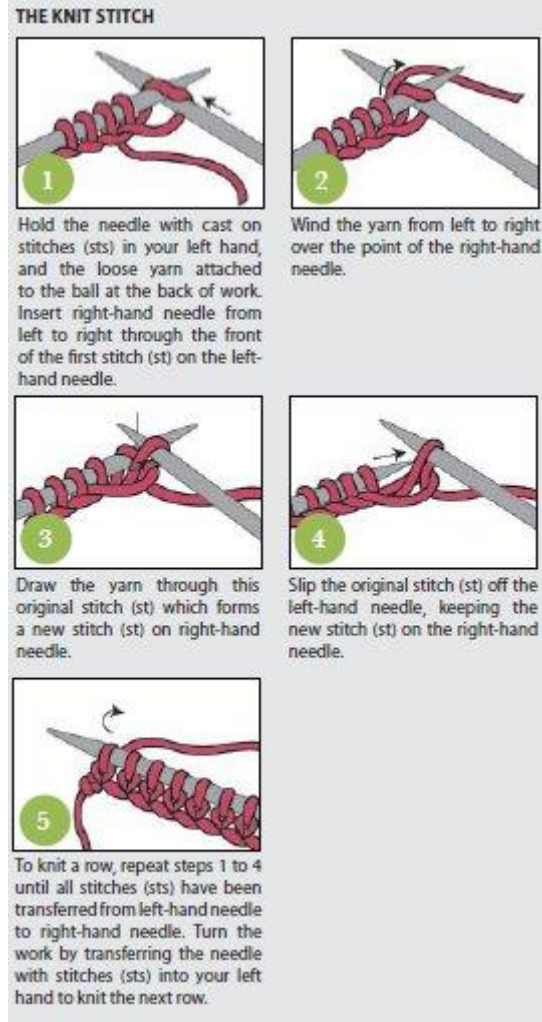
SOLID SQUARE

Cast on 38 stitches.



1st row: (Wrong side). Knit

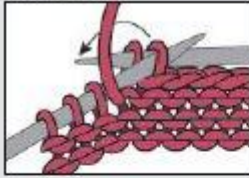
2nd row: (Right side). Knit



Repeat these 2 rows for garter stitch pattern. Continue in pattern as established until work from beginning measures 8 inches [20.5 centimeters], ending with a Right side (2nd) row. Cast off knitwise (Wrong side).

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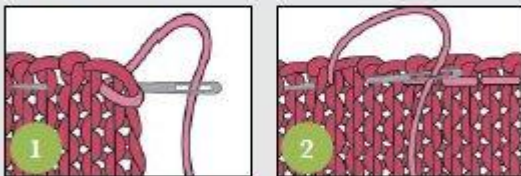
CASTING OFF



Knit the first 2 stitches (sts). *Using left-hand needle, lift first stitch (st) over second stitch (st) and drop it off between points of the 2 needles. Knit the next stitch (st); repeat (rep) from * until all stitches (sts) from left-hand needle have been worked and only 1 stitch (st) remains on the right-hand needle. Cut yarn (leaving enough to sew in end) and thread cut end through stitch (st) on needle. Draw yarn up firmly to fasten off last stitch (st).

Weave in ends.

WEAVING IN ENDS

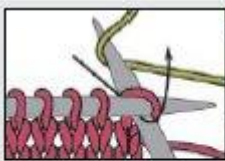


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Make 4 Stripped Squares in the following color combinations:

- 1 using A as Contrast A and B as Contrast B.
- 1 using B as Contrast A and C as Contrast B.
- 1 using C as Contrast A and D as Contrast B.
- 1 using D as Contrast A and E as Contrast B.

STRIPED SQUARE



Notes

- To change colors, simply drop previous color and begin knitting with new color.
- When joining a new color for the first time, leave a tail approximately 4 inches [10 centimeters] long to ensure you are left with enough yarn to weave in your end.
- When working narrow stripes as given below, **do not** cut your yarn when changing colors. Simply allow the color not in use to be drawn up loosely along the side of your work.

With A, cast on 38 stitches.

1st row: (Wrong side). With A, knit.

Proceed in Stripe pattern as follows:

1st row: (Right side). With B, knit.

2nd row: With B, knit.

3rd row: With A, knit.

4th row: With A, knit.

These 4 rows form Stripe pattern.

Continue in pattern as established until work from beginning measures 8 inches [20.5 centimeters], ending with a Right side (1st or 3rd) row.

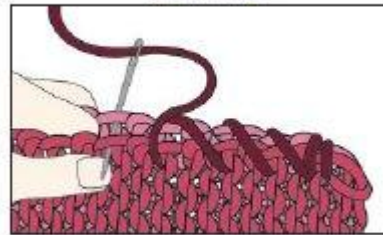
With same color as previous row, cast off knitwise (Wrong side).

Weave in ends.

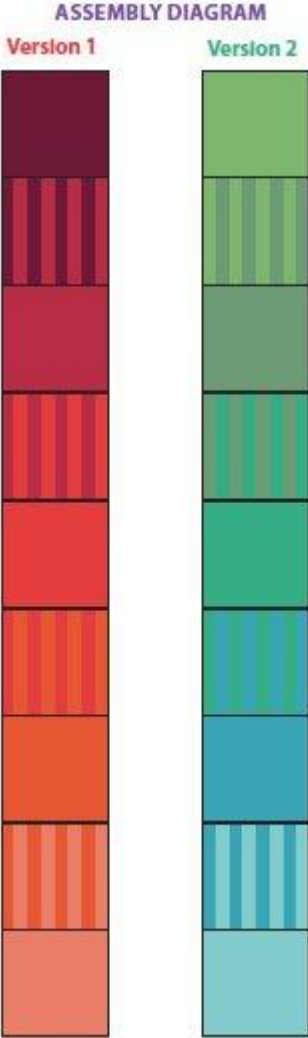
FINISHING

Sew squares together using a flat seam as shown in Diagram, noting striped squares will be placed sideways.

FLAT SEAM



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For Gifting

Beginner Tea Cozy

By: Lily Sugar'n Cream

Tea drinkers, rejoice! This Beginner Tea Cozy is just what you need for your kitchen. Made entirely in the garter stitch, you'll be able to use this tea cozy pattern to make a practical item for your kitchen in no time.



Size

To fit 4 cup tea pot.

Materials:

- Lily Sugar'n Cream (Solids: 70.9 g/2.5 oz; 109 m/120 yds) 01215 (Robin's Egg) 2 balls
- Size 4.5 mm (U.S. 7) knitting needles or size needed to obtain gauge.
- Large eye blunt-ended needle. 4 safety pins.

GAUGE

19 stitches and 32 rows = 4 inches [10 centimeters] in garter stitch.

Instructions:

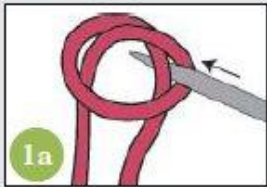
Make 2 Squares.

SQUARE


Cast on 38 stitches.

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CASTING ON




1a
Make a slip knot: Loop the yarn as shown and slip needle under the lower strand of the loop.




1b
Reach through the loop you just made and pull up a loop of yarn.




2
Pull the yarn end attached to the ball of yarn to tighten the slip knot leaving the other end approx 4 ins [10 cm] long. Transfer needle to left hand.



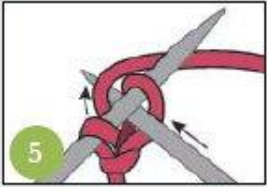
3a
Insert the right-hand needle through slip knot and wind yarn over right-hand needle.




3b
Pull loop through slip knot.



4
Place new loop on left-hand needle. (You now have 2 stitches (sts) on your left-hand needle).

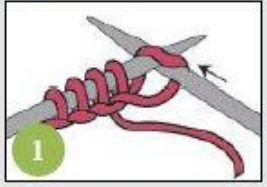


5
Insert right-hand needle between last 2 stitches (sts) on left-hand needle and wind yarn over right-hand needle.

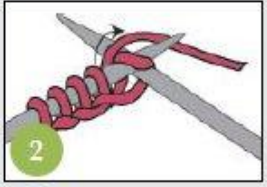


6
Pull loop through. Place this new loop on left-hand needle beside last stitch (st). (You now have 1 more stitch on left-hand needle). Repeat (rep) steps 5 and 6 until required number of stitches (sts) have been cast on left-hand needle.

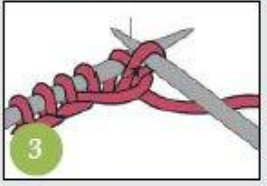
THE KNIT STITCH



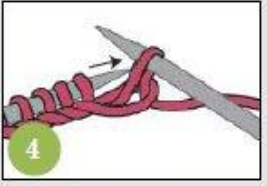
1
Hold the needle with cast on stitches (sts) in your left hand, and the loose yarn attached to the ball at the back of work. Insert right-hand needle from left to right through the front of the first stitch (st) on the left-hand needle.



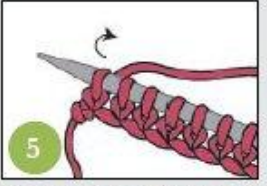
2
Wind the yarn from left to right over the point of the right-hand needle.



3
Draw the yarn through this original stitch (st) which forms a new stitch (st) on right-hand needle.



4
Slip the original stitch (st) off the left-hand needle, keeping the new stitch (st) on the right-hand needle.



5
To knit a row, repeat steps 1 to 4 until all stitches (sts) have been transferred from left-hand needle to right-hand needle. Turn the work by transferring the needle with stitches (sts) into your left hand to knit the next row.

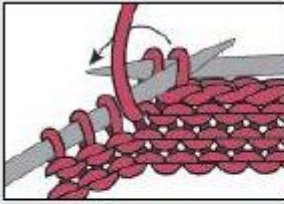
Repeat these 2 rows for garter stitch pattern. Continue in pattern as established until work from beginning measures 8 inches [20.5 centimeters], ending with a Right side (2nd) row. Cast off knitwise (Wrong side).

1st row: (Wrong side). Knit.

2nd row: (Right side). Knit.

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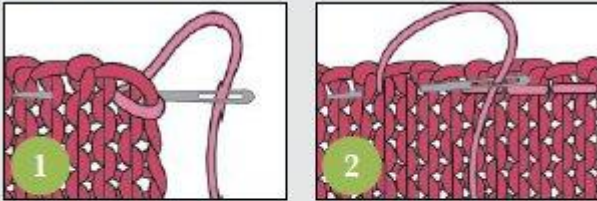
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Weave in ends.

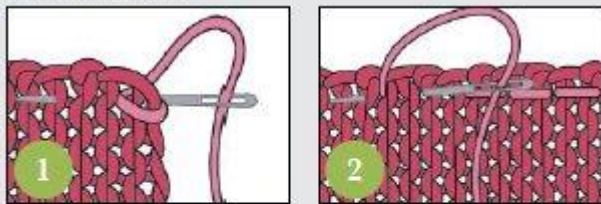
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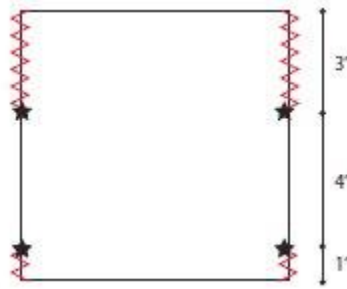
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Finishing:

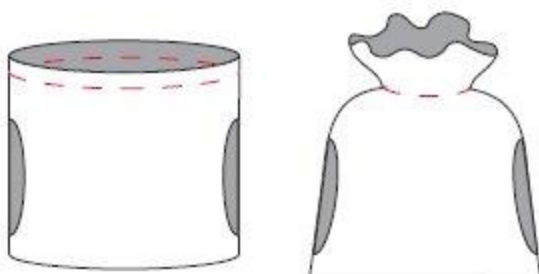
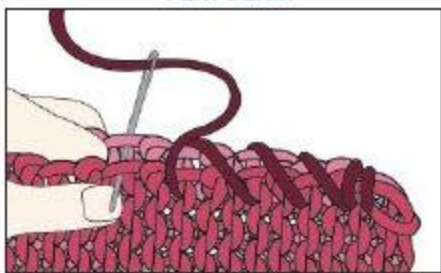


Place squares on top of one another with wrong sides facing each other.

Mark side edges with safety pins 1 inch [2.5 centimeters] up from bottom edge, and 3 inches [7.5 centimeters] down from top edge.

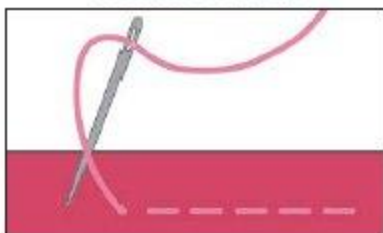
Sew edges together with a Flat Seam leaving area between safety pins open for spout and handle.

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Thread a length of yarn onto large eye blunt-ended needle. Work a loose running stitch around circumference of Cozy 1 inch [2.5 centimeters] below top edge. Draw yarn tightly to gather top of Cozy.

RUNNING STITCH



Beginner Knit Baby Kimono

By: Bernat

Knit Baby something fun and unique for your next baby shower using this adorable pattern for beginners!



Sizes: 6 (12-18-24) mos

To fit chest measurement: 17 (18-19-21) ins [43 (45.5-48-53.5) cm].

Finished chest: 21 (22-23-25) ins [53.5 (56-58.5-63.5) cm].

Materials:

- Bernat® Baby Jacquards (100 g / 3.5 oz)
- 2 (2-2-3) balls of #06317 (Easter Basket).

Size 4 mm (U.S. 6) knitting needles or size needed to obtain gauge.

Gauge
22½ sts and 44 rows = 4 ins [10 cm] in garter st.

Steps:
The instructions are written for smallest size. If

changes are necessary for larger sizes the instructions will be written thus ().

RIGHT and LEFT FRONT (make alike).

Cast on 52 (55-58-63) sts.

Work in garter st (knit every row) for 2 ins [5 cm].

Shape front: Dec 1 st at beg of row on next and every following alt row to 35 (38-47-50) sts, then every following 4th row from previous dec to 31 (33-36-39) sts, ending with a RS row.

Shape armhole: Cast off 7 (8-9-10) sts beg of next row. 24 (25-27-29) sts.

Dec 1 st at front edge on every following 4th row from previous dec to 12 (12-14-15) sts.

Cont even until armhole measures 4¾ (5-5½) ins [12 (12.5-12.5-14) cm], ending with a RS row. Cast off.

BACK

Cast on 58 (61-64-69) sts.

Work in garter st (knit every row) until work from beg measures same length as Front before armhole shaping.

Shape armholes: Cast off 7 (8-9-10) sts beg next 2 rows. 44 (45-46-49) sts.

Cont even until Back measures same length as Front before shoulder. Cast off.

Place markers 2¼ (2¼-2½-2¾) ins [5.5 (5.5-6-7) cm] in from sides for shoulders.

SLEEVES

Cast on 33 (35-39-39) sts.

Work in garter st, inc 1 st each end of needle on 5th and every following 8th row to 51 (55-55-61) sts.

Cont even until sleeve from beg measures 8 (9-9½-10) ins [20.5 (23-24- 25.5) cm], ending with a RS row. Cast off.

Place markers along sides 1¼ (1½-1½-1¾) ins [3 (4-4-4.5) cm] down from cast off edge.

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FINISHING: Pin garment pieces to measurements. Cover with a damp cloth, leaving cloth to dry.

Sew shoulder seams. Sew in sleeves, placing rows above markers along cast off sts of Fronts and Back to form square armholes.

Ties: (make 4). Cast on 25 sts. Cast off. Sew 2 ties at beg of front shaping on each front and 2 ties at side seams 2 ins [5 cm] up from cast on edge of body to match to front ties.

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