

DIAGONAL

COMFORT AND CUDDLE

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This pattern is for those who wish to knit and donate a small comfort blanket (a “Comfort”) to Comfort and Cuddle, an organization that distributes comforts to children in need, such as those in long-term hospitals and psychiatric facilities. If you would like to donate a Comfort, please see the donation requirements on the [Comfort and Cuddle website](#) and join us in our [Ravelry group](#).

DIMENSIONS

Approximately 10” x 15”

YARN REQUIREMENTS

Color A: 210 yards worsted weight yarn.

Color B: 210 yards worsted weight yarn.

Hold one strand of Color A and one strand of Color B together throughout.

OTHER MATERIALS

US 13 (9 mm) knitting needles

Needle for weaving in ends

GAUGE

11 stitches and 14 rows = 4” in stockinette

ABBREVIATIONS

st(s): stitch(es)

k: knit

p: purl

kfb: knit front back front. k the st, but do not drop it from the left-hand needle. k into the back loop of the same st, then into the front loop again. Drop original st from left-hand needle. 2 sts increased.

kfb: knit front and back. k the st, but do not drop it from the left-hand needle. k into the back loop of the same st, then drop the original st from left-hand needle. 1 st increased.

ssk: slip slip knit. Slip the next 2 sts one at a time as if to k. Return sts to left-hand needle and k together through the back loops. 1 st decreased.

k2tog: knit two together. k the next 2 sts together as if they were one. 1 st decreased.

PATTERN

Cast on 5 sts.

SETUP ROWS

Row 1: k1, kfb, k1, kfb, k1. (7 sts)

Row 2: k all sts.

Row 3: k2, kfb, k1, kfb, k2. (9 sts)

Row 4: k3, p3, k3.

Row 5: k3, kfb, k1, kfb, k3. (11 sts)

Row 6: k all sts.

INCREASE SECTION

Row 1: k3, kfb, k to 4 sts before end, kfb, k3.

Row 2: k3, p to 3 sts before end, k3.

Row 3: repeat Row 1.

Row 4: k all sts.

Work these 4 rows a total of 7 times. 39 sts.

STRAIGHT SECTION

Row 1: k3, ssk, k to 4 sts before end, kfb, k3.

Row 2: k3, p to 3 sts before end, k3.

Row 3: repeat Row 1.

Row 4: k all sts

Work these 4 rows a total of 3 times. 39 sts.

DECREASE SECTION

Row 1: k3, ssk, k to 5 sts before end, k2tog, k3.

Row 2: k3, p to 3 sts before end, k3.

Row 3: repeat Row 1.

Row 4: k all sts.

Work these 4 rows a total of 7 times. 11 sts.

END ROWS

Row 1: k3, ssk, k1, k2tog, k3. (9 sts)

Row 2: k3, p3, k3.

Row 3: k2, ssk, k1, k2tog, k2. (7 sts)

Row 4: k all sts.

Row 5: k1, ssk, k1, k2tog, k1. (5 sts)

Row 6: k all sts.

BIND OFF AND FINISHING

Bind off all sts. Cut yarn and pull through last loop. Weave in ends securely and block if desired.