

GARTERSQUISH

WEST
KNITS

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This super simple garter stitch blanket has an I-cord edge and is worked with two strands of worsted weight yarn held double. I used several skeins of yarn from my stash that resulted in a colorful squishy blanket. It's a great project for mindless knitting and with US 15 / 10mm needles, it eats delicious yarn in no time at all, leaving lots of empty space in your yarn box or cabinet or room to fill with new wooly acquisitions.

INSTRUCTIONS

CO 126 sts.

K123, sl3 wyif.

Repeat last row 282 more times or until there are 142 garter ridges. Work more or less row repeats for a shorter or longer blanket.

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS
66" / 168cm long from CO to BO, 48" / 122cm wide

NEEDLES & NOTIONS
32" US 15 / 10mm circular, tapestry needle

GAUGE
11 sts & 18 rows = 4" / 10cm in garter stitch

YARN
Worsted weight held double
Approximately 3,240yds / 2,963m

Yardage estimate is for the total amount of worsted weight yarn used. Worsted weight yarn is held double to equal a chunky weight gauge. For example, if you are only knitting the blanket with two colors, you would need 1,620yds / 1,481m of each color.

The blanket can also be made shorter or longer to accommodate varying amounts of yarn.

12 garter ridges or 24 rows uses approximately 137yds / 125m of each worsted weight strand.

There are 142 total garter ridges or 284 total rows in the blanket shown.

Shown in: A variety of worsted weight stash yarn.

Malabrigo Twist
Malabrigo Worsted
Fancy Tiger Heirloom
Romney
Fibre Company Terra
Manos del Uruguay Wool Clasica
Cestari Floral Collection
Green Mountain Spinnery
Worsted
Jade Sapphire 8 ply
Mountain Colors River Twist
Zitron Gobi
Sirri Colour
Noro Kureyon
Handspun

Sample shown always uses one strand of a light gray or natural held together with various colors.

NOTE
Two strands of worsted weight yarn are always held together. Change colors as often as you like. For most stripes, I worked 16 or 24 rows using the same 2 strands of yarn. I cut the yarn after I was finished with a stripe.

ABBREVIATIONS LIST

westknits.com/wp-content/uploads/2010/09/abbreviations.pdf

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BO all sts on the following row as follows, (k2tog tbl, slip stitch back to left needle) to end of row. Break yarn and weave in ends. I didn't block my blanket, but you could soak it or give steam it to relax the fabric or stretch the shape. If you still have leftover yarn, attach some fringe to the CO and BO edge!

