



Rainbow Knit Blanket Pattern

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Skill level: Beginner/Intermediate

The blanket approximately measures 40 by 60 inches (101.6cm by 152.4cm) size.

Supplies used:

One 29-inch long Circular needle, Size 17 US or 12.5mm

Links to actual yarn colors used:

- Color 1: Hometown USA Yarn (102) Honolulu Pink — <http://goo.gl/OcjbuR>
- Color 2: Vanna's Choice Yarn, Pink — <http://goo.gl/4UI2yv>
- Color 3: Hometown USA Yarn, Las Vegas Gold — <http://goo.gl/HWzjNC>
- Color 4: Vanna's Choice Yarn, Mustard — <http://goo.gl/nEpFOH>
- Color 5: Hometown USA Yarn (133) Syracuse Orange — <http://goo.gl/oiCtFP>
- Color 6: Hometown USA Yarn, Atlanta Apricot — <http://goo.gl/5GYFdQ>
- Color 7: Hometown USA Yarn (172) Oklahoma City Green — <http://goo.gl/bz0GoK>
- Color 8: Hometown USA Yarn, Monterey Lime — <http://goo.gl/MGKGra>
- Color 9: Hometown USA Yarn-Detroit Blue Brand New — <http://goo.gl/6EQGqm>
- Color 10: Vanna's Choice Yarn, Silver Blue — <http://goo.gl/7bqEsr>
- Color 11: Vanna's Choice Yarn, Dusty Purple — <http://goo.gl/DlvwvN>
- Color 12: Hometown USA Yarn, Minneapolis Purple — <http://goo.gl/hT4pSt>

Gauge/ tension:

2 stitches = 1 inch, 8 stitches= 4 inches, knit in pattern with two strands of Vanna's choice yarn held together as one **OR** with one strand of Hometown USA yarn.

Always check your tension before you begin. Adjust your needle size accordingly to obtain mentioned measurements.

Notes:

- The entire blanket is knit in one piece.
- Although you are using circular needles, do not join to complete the loop, but work back and forth in rows instead. The circular needles are used here only to accommodate the large number of stitches.
- The blanket is knit in a **pattern** of four rows- called the **Slant Stitch**.
 - Row 1 (right side): K1, * Slip 1, Make 1 by knitting in the front and back of the next stitch, Pass the slip stitch over (PSSO) the 2 stitches* repeat till last stitch, K1
 - Rows 2 and 4: Purl
 - Row 3: Knit
- All color changes should occur on a Row 1 of the pattern.
- The project is knit with two strands of yarn held together as one (a double strand if you may) while using the Lions brand Vanna's choice yarns. This matches the gauge of one strand of a thicker bulkier yarn, here Lion's brand Homeland USA yarn.



How to:

Cast on 80 stitches on the circular needles with Color 1 yarn (Dark Pink)

Begin blanket in pattern as follows:

{ Row 1 (right side): K1, * S1, M1 by knitting in the front and back of the next stitch, PSSO 2 stitches* repeat till last stitch, K1

Rows 2 and 4: Purl

Row 3: Knit }

Repeat {} 2 more times to end up with 12 rows of Color 1.

Trim off the Color 1 yarn leaving about 4 inches to weave in later.

Add Color B yarn (Dusty light pink Vanna's choice yarn- remember to use two strands of the yarn held as one to achieve required bulkiness) and work 12 more rows.



Continue in this manner working 12 rows each of Color 3, Color 4, Color 5, Color 6, Color 7, Color 8, Color 9, Color 10, Color 11 and Color 12 or until desired length is achieved. Bind off loosely and tuck in stray yarn ends.

If you run into any trouble with the pattern, feel free to email me at smikatti@gmail.com
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