

Parquet Squares

Source – Learn to Knit Afghan Book
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Materials – Red Heart Worsted Acrylic

Yarn - Color A and Color B

size US 8/5.0mm needles

Gauge – 16 sts over 4in/10cm over stockinette stitch

With color A cast on 18 sts. Knit one row. Join color B.

Rows 1 & 2: with color B - knit

Rows 3 & 4: with color A - knit



Repeat these 4 rows until there are 17 2-row stripes, 8 stripes of color B and 9 stripes of color A. Break color B. Bind off with color on right side, knitting all of the stitches. Keep the last bound off stitch on the needle. Turn the square clockwise a quarter turn, so that the right side is facing and the left edge is uppermost. With color A pick up 17 sts along this edge to make a total of 18 sts. Turn. Knit one row. Join color B.

Repeat the same 4 rows until there are 17 stripes on the second square. As for the first square, break color B, bind off, turn the square one quarter clockwise and pick up 17 sts for the third square. Repeat the process again for the fourth square.

After picking up the stitches for the fourth square, with right side still facing, *pick up one more stitch from the cast on edge at the bottom of the first square. With the left hand needle, pass the second stitch on the right-hand needle over the first stitch and off needle, eliminating the extra stitch. Repeat from * at the end of every right side row throughout the fourth square, to attach this side edge to the cast-on edge. Finish and bind off the fourth square like the other three, drawing the yarn through the last bound off stitch to fasten off. Block if needed and weave in yarn tails.