## Bullfinch Blanket Knit Version



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## MATERIALS

## Scheepjes Limited Edition Mega Whirl

(60\% Cotton, 40\% Acrylic; 666g/2998m)
400 (coral, grey, blue) x 1 yarn cake
See Tips \& Tricks document when using standard Scheepjes Whirl
3.25 mm knitting needles (circular or straight)

Closed stitch marker
Locking stitch markers

## ABBREVIATIONS

[ ] number of sts on given row/round
beg begin(s)/beginning
cnr corner
DS double stitch: pick up the purl bar below the stitch and slip on left needle, knit through picked up bar, slip knitted stitch
back on left needle (without twisting)
k knit
k2tog knit 2 sts together to decrease by 1 st
kwise knitwise
pm place stitch marker
psso pass slipped stitch over
pwise purlwise
rm remove marker
RS right side
st1 slip 1 st kwise
sl1p slip 1 st pwise
sm stitch marker
ssk slip slip knit
st(s) stitch(es)
WS wrong side

## GAUGE/TENSION

Each Square measures approx. $9.5 \times 9.5 \mathrm{~cm}(33 / 4 \times 33 / 4 \mathrm{in})$, after blocking
Refer to Schematic 1: Gauge Weight throughout to ensure you do not run out of yarn; see Pattern Notes for more info

## MEASUREMENTS

Approx. $110 \times 150 \mathrm{~cm}(4311 / 4 \times 59 \mathrm{in})$, after blocking

## VIDEO TUTORIALS

In the video description there are time stamps to help you find the place in the video that you are looking for.
English https://youtu.be/vevMbwKpC9o
Dutch https://youtu.be/rEzO2-Q3X7U

## PATTERN NOTES

Blanket is worked diagonally in 140 separate Square motifs; see Schematics $2 \mathrm{a}-2 \mathrm{~b}$ (in T\&T document) for order and placement of Squares to achieve gradient effect. Cast-on edge of Square 1 forms bottom right cnr of Blanket.
Always slip the first st of a row knitwise, this gives a nice edge for picking up sts on when making subsequent squares. When picking up sts along the edge of a Square, be sure to work from cnr to cnr: first st is picked up in one cnr and last st is picked up in the other cnr to prevent holes forming in blanket.
Each Square weighs approx. 3.8 ; however, Squares with a
cast-on edge are heavier. Refer to Schematic 1 for precise weight of Blanket after the respective number of Squares are worked to ensure gauge is maintained, and you have sufficient yarn to complete Blanket.
Place removable stitch marker on front of work to help identify RS and WS as you work. Move marker to working Square as you go. When RS is facing, work a decrease row.

## INSTRUCTIONS

Beg using yarn from centre of yarn cake for each Square.

## SQUARE 1

Note: your swatch forms Square 1.
Cast on 50 sts using long tail cast-on method.
Row 1 (WS) Sl1, k24, pm, k25. [50 sts]
Row 2 (RS) Sl1, k to 2 sts before marker, k2tog, slip sm, ssk, knit to end. [48 sts]
Row 3 Sl1, k to sm, slip sm, k to end. [48 sts]
Row 4-47 Repeat Rows 2-3, decreasing on every even row. At end of Row 47 there are 4 sts left with sm in middle.
Row 48 (RS) K2tog, rm, ssk. [2 sts]
Row 49 (WS) st1, k1, psso.
Fasten off.
Note: Square could be a little wonky, if so pull cnrs and edges to form square shape.

## SQUARE 2

Beg with RS of Blanket facing; refer to schematic if needed. Beg in cnr (for first Square 2, this is the cnr where Square 1 finished), pick up 25 sts along side of adjacent Square up to next cnr. Cast on 25 more sts onto needle using knitted cast-on method. [50 sts]
Row 1 K25, pm, k25. [50 sts]
Rows 2-49 Work as for Square 1.
Fasten off.

## SQUARE 3

Cast on 25 sts using long tail cast-on method. Beg with RS of Blanket facing and at top right cnr of adjacent Square; refer to schematic if needed.
Beg in cnr, pick up 25 sts along side of adjacent Square up to next cnr. [50 sts]
Rows 1-49 Work as for Square 1.
Fasten off.

## SQUARE 4

Work as for Square 3.

## SQUARE 5

Beg with RS of Blanket facing and at top left cnr of adjacent Square; refer to schematic if needed.
Beg in cnr, pick up 25 sts along the side of adjacent Square up to next cnr, then pick up 25 sts along top of the next Square. [50 sts]
Rows 1-49 Work as for Square 1.

## SQUARE 6



Work as for Square 2.

## SQUARES 7-140

Repeat pattern, referring to schematic throughout for position of Squares. Each Square will either be a repeat of Square 2, 3 or 5.

## BORDER

Note: after working all 140 Squares to given gauge, you will have approx. 120 g of yarn left. Each long edge of Border uses approx. 31 g of yarn, each short edge uses approx. 21 g of yarn, and each corner uses 1.5 g of yarn when continuing to work to same gauge. A total of 100 g of yarn is used for Border section. If you have significantly less yarn left before beg Border, reduce garter st border from 15 sts to 12 sts.
Before beg Border, Blanket measures approx. $94 \times 134 \mathrm{~cm}(37 \times$ $523 / 4 \mathrm{in}$ ): $10 \times 14$ squares (approx. 9.5 cm ( $33 / 4 \mathrm{in}$ ) each).

## First Edge

Beg in first row after cnr of last Square worked (Square 140) and with RS of Blanket facing. Work back and forth around Blanket.
Using a provisional cast-on, cast on 15 sts.
Row 1 (RS) Sl1, k14, pick up st along edge of adjacent Square, slip last worked st over picked up st, turn. [15 sts]
Row 2 (WS) Sl1p, pull working yarn a little to prevent gaps, $k$ to end, turn. [15 sts]
Row 3-700 Repeat Rows 1-2 along the edge of each square, working 25 repeats for each square for the entire edge of the blanket up to the cnr.

## First Corner

Row 1 (RS) Sl1, *k14, pick up st in the cnr, slip last worked st over picked up st, turn. [15 sts]
Row 2 (WS) Sl1p, pull working yarn a little to prevent gaps, $k$ to end, turn. [15 sts]
Rows 3 to 30 increase cnr.
Row 3 (RS) SL1, k13, DS, turn.
Row 4 (WS) and all following WS rows Knit, turn.
Row 5 Sl1, k12, DS.
Row 7 Sl1, k11, DS.
Row 9 Sl1, k10, DS.
Row 11 Sl1, k9, DS.
Row 13 Sl1, k8, DS.
Row 15 Sl1, k7, DS.
Row 17 Sl1, k6, DS.
Row 19 Sl1, k5, DS.
Row 21 Sl1, k4, DS.
Row 23 Sl1, k3, DS.
Row 25 Sl1, k2, DS.
Row 27 SI1, k1, DS.
Row 29 SI1, DS.
Row 30 (WS) K1.
There are now 14 DS and 1 regular st on needle.
Row 31 (RS) Sl1, k all 14 DS as though they are 1 st, pick up st in cnr, slip last worked st over picked up st, turn
Row 32 (WS) Sl1p, pull working yarn a little to prevent gaps, k to end, turn.
Rows 33 to 60 decrease cnr.
Row 33 (RS) SI1, DS, turn.
Row 34 (WS) and all following WS rows Knit, turn.
Row 35 SL1, knit DS, DS.
Row 37 Sl1, k1, knit DS, DS.
Row 39 Sl1, k2, knit DS, DS.

Row 41 Sl1, k3, knit DS, DS.
Row 43 Sl1, k4, knit DS, DS.
Row 45 Sl1, k5, knit DS, DS.
Row 47 Sl1, k6, knit DS, DS.
Row 49 Sl1, k7, knit DS, DS.
Row 51 Sl1, k8, knit DS, DS.
Row 53 Sl1, k9, knit DS, DS.
Row 55 Sl1, k10, knit DS, DS.
Row 57 SI1, k11, knit DS, DS.
Row 59 Sl1, k12, knit DS, DS.
Row 60 (WS) Knit, turn.
There are now 14 regular sts and 1 DS on needle.
Row 61 (RS) SI1, k13, knit DS, pick up st in cnr, slip last worked st over picked up st, turn. [15 sts]
Row 62 (WS) Sl1p, pull working yarn a little to prevent gaps, k to end, turn. [15 sts]
Cnr is now complete.

## Next Corners and Edges

Work next 3 edges and 3 cnrs in same way as for first cnr and edge. When you are all the way round, pick up sts from provisional cast-on and join the two ends of the applied Border with a kitchener st.

## TO FINISH

Work away all yarn tails and remove all stitch markers. Block to given final measurements.


