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Chunky Knit Baby Blanket



Level: Beginner/Easy

Approximate time: 2-4 hours

Size: 32"x32"

Materials

- Worsted weight yarn, Caron Simply Soft "Ocean", 3 balls
- Circular Needle US size 36 (20 mm)
- Tapestry needle
- Scissors

Gauge

1. Gauge is not essential for this project, and will vary depending on what weight of yarn is used, and how stretched out the blanket is when laid flat.
2. Gauge with worsted weight yarn, held triple, is 4 st x 8 rows = 4" x 4"

Tips

This blanket can be made from any worsted, bulky, or extra bulky yarn. If you are using worsted weight yarn, knit with 3 strands held together, if using bulky weight knit with 2 strands together, and if you are using extra bulky weight, 1 strand. You can either use all of the same yarn for a blanket (as I did), or combine different colors and textures for a more marled and textured look.

Instructions

To start the blanket, with 3 strands of yarn held together, cast on 40 stitches. Start working in garter stitch by knitting every row as follows:

Row 1: Knit

Row 2: Knit

Repeat these 2 rows for a total of 52 rows, or 26 "ridges" (every 2 rows make 1 ridge.) Bind off very loosely. Weave in the ends or secure with double knot and trim.

You are done! Your chunky blanket is ready. This pattern can be easily customized to make a bigger size blanket by simply casting on more stitches and knitting more rows.