

Argosy Baby Blanket

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The Argosy series continues. The baby blanket is a beefed up version using a larger gauge yarn and with a grid that has more stockinette stitches and rows for each "square". It resembles a rectangular shape but is a bit skewed (refer to schematics to see what I mean). The cotton yarn used in this version is very soft and does not stress your hands like some other cotton yarns do but beware of some (not much) loose fuzz. The blanket works up quicker than you'd think and there's even yarn to spare so you can work lots of embroidered flowers (try it, they're easy). The yarn is available in many fun shades so there's a color that's just right for the recipient in mind. And it could even be used as a lap blanket for bigger folks in transitional seasons.

To make up a more "square" version, use Kay Gardiner's advice: When you're at the halfway point with your yarn, that's the point where you need to start the decreasing part. For example, if you have 6 skeins, while working with the 3rd skein, work the first decrease part toward the end of that skein.

Materials:

- Blue Sky Cotton 100% color: color: Pumpkin #622
10 gms/150 yds.
6 skeins
- US #9 (5.5 mm) 32" circ. needles
- Tapestry needle

Gauge: 16 sts x 24 rows in stockinette st

Finished size: 54 inches long by 47 wide
(refer to schematic drawing)

Abbreviations:

K = Knit
P = Purl
St = stitch
SSK = slip, slip, knit these 2 sts together
K2tog = knit 2 sts together

CO = cast on
RS = right side
WS = wrong side

Pattern Notes:

Note 1: When casting on, always use the Knitted-On Cast On method. Note that this is different from the original Argosy pattern published on Knitty.com.

Note 2: A schematic is included. If a chart is desired, please email me (vyvneel@sbcglobal.net). It's hard to get it to print clearly on letter size paper.

Note 3: Odd-numbered rows are RS rows and even-numbered rows are WS rows.



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WRITTEN DIRECTIONS:

CO 13 sts. Do not join but turn at the end of each row.

Rows 1, 2, 4, 6, 8, 10 & 12: K1, p11, k1.

Rows 3, 5, 7, 9 & 11: K1, yo, k2tog, k7, ssk, yo, k1.

Row 13: K1, yo, k2tog, k7, ssk, yo, k1, CO 12 sts. (25 sts).

Row 14: [K1, p11] 2 times, k1, CO 12 sts. (37 sts)

Rows 15 & 16: [K1, p11] 3 times, K1.

Rows 17, 19, 21, 23 & 25: K1, yo, k2tog, [k7, ssk, yo, k1, yo, k2tog] 2 times, k7, ssk, yo, k1.

Rows 18, 20, 22, 24 & 26: [K1, p11] 3 times, k1.

Row 27: K1, yo, k2tog, [k7, ssk, yo, k1, yo, k2tog] 2 times, k7, ssk, yo, k1, CO 12 sts. (49 sts).

Row 28: [K1, p11] 4 times, k1, CO 12 sts. (61 sts).

Rows 29 & 30: [K1, p11] 5 times, K1.

Rows 31, 33, 35, 37 & 39: K1, yo, k2tog, [k7, ssk, yo, k1, yo, k2tog] 4 times, k7, ssk, yo, k1.

Rows 32, 34, 36, 38 & 40: [K1, p11] 5 times, k1.

Row 41: K1, yo, k2tog, [k7, ssk, yo, k1, yo, k2tog] 4 times, k7, ssk, yo, k1, CO 12 sts. (73 sts).

Row 42: [K1, p11] 6 times, k1, CO 12 sts. (85 sts).

Rows 43 & 44: [K1, p11] 7 times, K1.

Rows 45, 47, 49, 51 & 53: K1, yo, k2tog, [k7, ssk, yo, k1, yo, k2tog] 6 times, k7, ssk, yo, k1.

Rows 46, 48, 50, 52 & 54: [K1, p11] 7 times, k1.

Row 55: K1, yo, k2tog, [k7, ssk, yo, k1, yo, k2tog] 6 times, k7, ssk, yo, k1, CO 12 sts. (97 sts).

Row 56: [K1, p11] 8 times, k1, CO 12 sts. (109 sts).

Rows 57 & 58: [K1, p11] 9 times, K1.

Rows 59, 61, 63, 65 & 67: K1, yo, k2tog, [k7, ssk, yo, k1, yo, k2tog] 8 times, k7, ssk, yo, k1.

Rows 60, 62, 64, 66 & 68: [K1, p11] 9 times, k1.

Row 69: K1, yo, k2tog, [k7, ssk, yo, k1, yo, k2tog] 8 times, k7, ssk, yo, k1, CO 12 sts. (121 sts).

Row 70: [K1, p11] 10 times, k1, CO 12 sts. (133 sts).

Rows 71 & 72: [K1, p11] 11 times, K1.

Rows 73, 75, 77, 79 & 81: K1, yo, k2tog, [k7, ssk, yo, k1, yo, k2tog] 10 times, k7, ssk, yo, k1.

Rows 74, 76, 78, 80 & 82: [K1, p11] 11 times, k1.

Row 83: K1, yo, k2tog, [k7, ssk, yo, k1, yo, k2tog] 10 times, k7, ssk, yo, k1, CO 12 sts. (145 sts).

Row 84: [K1, p11] 12 times, k1, CO 12 sts. (157 sts).

Rows 85 & 86: [K1, p11] 13 times, K1.

Rows 87, 89, 91, 93 & 95: K1, yo, k2tog, [k7, ssk, yo, k1, yo, k2tog] 12 times, k7, ssk, yo, k1.

Rows 88, 90, 92, 94 & 96: [K1, p11] 13 times, k1.

Row 97: K1, yo, k2tog, [k7, ssk, yo, k1, yo, k2tog] 12 times, k7, ssk, yo, k1, CO 12 sts. (169 sts).

Row 98: [K1, p11] 14 times, k1, CO 12 sts. (181 sts).

Rows 99 & 100: [K1, p11] 15 times, K1.

Rows 101, 103, 105, 107 & 109: K1, yo, k2tog, [k7, ssk, yo, k1, yo, k2tog] 14 times, k7, ssk, yo, k1.

Rows 102, 104, 106, 108 & 110: [K1, p11] 15 times, k1.

Row 111: K1, yo, k2tog, [k7, ssk, yo, k1, yo, k2tog] 14 times, k7, ssk, yo, k1, CO 12 sts. (193 sts).

Row 112: [K1, p11] 16 times, k1, CO 12 sts. (205 sts).

Rows 113 & 114: [K1, p11] 17 times, K1.

Rows 115, 117, 119, 121 & 123: K1, yo, k2tog, [k7, ssk, yo, k1, yo, k2tog] 16 times, k7, ssk, yo, k1.

Rows 116, 118, 120, 122 & 124: [K1, p11] 17 times, k1.

Row 125: K1, yo, k2tog, [k7, ssk, yo, k1, yo, k2tog] 16 times, k7, ssk, yo, k1, CO 12 sts. (217 sts).

Row 126, 127 & 128: [K1, p11] 18 times, k1.

Row 129: [K2tog, slip st back to left needle] 12 times, k2tog, yo, k8, ssk, yo, [k1, yo, k2tog, k7, ssk, yo] 16 times, k1 (205 sts).

Rows 130: [K1, p11] 17 times, K1.

Rows 131, 133, 135 & 137: K1, yo, k2tog, [k7, ssk, yo, k1, yo, k2tog] 16 times, k7, ssk, yo, k1.

Rows 132, 134, 136 & 138: [K1, p11] 17 times, k1.

Row 139: K1, yo, k2tog, [k7, ssk, yo, k1, yo, k2tog] 16 times, k7, ssk, yo, k1, CO 12 sts. (217 sts).

Row 140, 141 & 142: [K1, p11] 18 times, k1.

Row 143: [K2tog, slip st back to left needle] 12 times, k2tog, yo, k8, ssk, yo, [k1, yo, k2tog, k7, ssk, yo] 16 times, k1 (205 sts).

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Rows 144: [K1, p11] 17 times, K1.

Rows 145, 147, 149, 151 & 153: K1, yo, k2tog, [k7, ssk, yo, k1, yo, k2tog] 16 times, k7, ssk, yo, k1.

Rows 146, 148, 150, 152, 154 & 155: [K1, p11] 17 times, k1.

Row 156: [P2tog, slip st back to left needle] 11 times, p2tog, [p11, k1] 16 times (193 sts).

Row 157: [K2tog, slip st back to left needle] 12 times, k2tog, yo, k8, ssk, yo, [k1, yo, k2tog, k7, ssk, yo] 14 times, k1 (181 sts).

Rows 158: [K1, p11] 115 times, K1.

Rows 159, 161, 163, 165 & 167: K1, yo, k2tog, [k7, ssk, yo, k1, yo, k2tog] 14 times, k7, ssk, yo, k1.

Rows 160, 162, 164, 166, 168 & 169: [K1, p11] 15 times, k1.

Row 170: [P2tog, slip st back to left needle] 11 times, p2tog, [p11, k1] 14 times (169 sts).

Row 171: [K2tog, slip st back to left needle] 12 times, k2tog, yo, k8, ssk, yo, [k1, yo, k2tog, k7, ssk, yo] 12 times, k1 (157 sts).

Rows 172: [K1, p11] 13 times, K1.

Rows 173, 175, 177, 179 & 181: K1, yo, k2tog, [k7, ssk, yo, k1, yo, k2tog] 12 times, k7, ssk, yo, k1.

Rows 174, 176, 178, 180, 182 & 183: [K1, p11] 13 times, k1.

Row 184: [P2tog, slip st back to left needle] 11 times, p2tog, [p11, k1] 12 times (145 sts).

Row 185: [K2tog, slip st back to left needle] 12 times, k2tog, yo, k8, ssk, yo, [k1, yo, k2tog, k7, ssk, yo] 12 times, k1 (133 sts).

Rows 186: [K1, p11] 11 times, K1.

Rows 187, 189, 191, 193 & 195: K1, yo, k2tog, [k7, ssk, yo, k1, yo, k2tog] 10 times, k7, ssk, yo, k1.

Rows 188, 190, 192, 194, 196 & 197: [K1, p11] 11 times, k1.

Row 198: [P2tog, slip st back to left needle] 11 times, p2tog, [p11, k1] 10 times (121 sts).

Row 199: [K2tog, slip st back to left needle] 12 times, k2tog, yo, k8, ssk, yo, [k1, yo, k2tog, k7, ssk, yo] 8 times, k1 (109 sts).

Rows 200: [K1, p11] 9 times, K1.

Rows 201, 203, 205, 207 & 209: K1, yo, k2tog, [k7, ssk, yo, k1, yo, k2tog] 8 times, k7, ssk, yo, k1.

Rows 202, 204, 206, 208, 210 & 211: [K1, p11] 9 times, k1.

Row 212: [P2tog, slip st back to left needle] 11 times, p2tog, [p11, k1] 8 times (97 sts).

Row 213: [K2tog, slip st back to left needle] 12 times, k2tog, yo, k8, ssk, yo, [k1, yo, k2tog, k7, ssk, yo] 6 times, k1 (85 sts).

Rows 214: [K1, p11] 7 times, K1.

Rows 215, 217, 219, 221 & 223: K1, yo, k2tog, [k7, ssk, yo, k1, yo, k2tog] 6 times, k7, ssk, yo, k1.

Rows 216, 218, 220, 222, 224 & 225: [K1, p11] 7 times, k1.

Row 226: [P2tog, slip st back to left needle] 11 times, p2tog, [p11, k1] 6 times (73 sts).

Row 227: [K2tog, slip st back to left needle] 12 times, k2tog, yo, k8, ssk, yo, [k1, yo, k2tog, k7, ssk, yo] 4 times, k1 (61 sts).

Rows 228: [K1, p11] 5 times, K1.

Rows 229, 231, 233, 235 & 237: K1, yo, k2tog, [k7, ssk, yo, k1, yo, k2tog] 4 times, k7, ssk, yo, k1.

Rows 230, 232, 234, 236, 238 & 239: [K1, p11] 5 times, k1.

Row 240: [P2tog, slip st back to left needle] 11 times, p2tog, [p11, k1] 4 times (49 sts).

Row 241: [K2tog, slip st back to left needle] 12 times, k2tog, yo, k8, ssk, yo, [k1, yo, k2tog, k7, ssk, yo] 2 times, k1 (37 sts).

Rows 242: [K1, p11] 3 times, K1.

Rows 243, 245, 247, 249 & 251: K1, yo, k2tog, [k7, ssk, yo, k1, yo, k2tog] 2 times, k7, ssk, yo, k1.

Rows 244, 246, 248, 250, 252 & 253: [K1, p11] 3 times, k1.

Row 254: [P2tog, slip st back to left needle] 11 times, p2tog, [p11, k1] 2 times (25 sts).

Row 255: [K2tog, slip st back to left needle] 12 times, k2tog, yo, k8, ssk, yo, [k1, yo, k2tog, k7, ssk, yo] k1 (13 sts).

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Rows 256, 258, 260, 262, 264, 266 & 267: [K1, p1] k1.

Rows 257, 259, 261, 263 & 265: K1, yo, k2tog, k7, ssk, yo, k1.

Row 268: [P2tog, slip st back to left needle] 11 times, p2tog. Break yarn, draw through last st and pull tight.

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