



Mitered Knitting: Make a Pillow

with Edie Eckman



Edie Eckman provides a perfect primer for mitered knitting, showing you how to creatively combine picked up stitches and decreases to create connected squares. You will learn how to work two different decreases and cast-ons to create two very different Garter stitch designs. At the end, you'll seam together the front and back using mattress stitch in order to create your pillowcase sampler.

Learn How To:

- Start squares using long tail cast-on and purl cable cast-on
- Work squares using k3tog and s2kp
- Seam Garter stitch fabric with Mattress stitch

Size:

To fit 14" [36 cm] square pillow form

Gauge:

18 sts and 36 rows = 4" [10 cm] in garter stitch

Each Square is 6" x 6" [15 cm x 15 cm]

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Materials:

- Brown Sheep Lamb's Pride Worsted (85% wool/15% mohair, 4 oz/113 g, 190 yd/173 m),
2 skeins
 - A: M-140 Aran
- 1 skein each
 - B: M-149 Hawaiian Teal
 - C: M-110 Orange You Glad
 - D: M-157 Orchid Blush
 - E: M-155 Lemon Drop
- US size 8 [5 mm] knitting needles
- Removable stitch marker
- 14" pillow form
- Tapestry needle
- Scissors

Abbreviations:

- k** knit
- k3tog** knit 3 stitches together
- p** purl
- rep** repeat
- st(s)** stitch(es)

Special Techniques:

Purl-cable cast-on: With RS facing, insert needle from back to front between first 2 stitches on left-hand needle, yarn over and draw a new stitch back through between the existing stitches; place loop onto left-hand needle; rep from * for desired number of cast-on stitches.

Note:

Refer to Assembly Diagrams for placement of Squares.

FRONT**SQUARE 1**

With A, long-tail cast on 55 sts. Place marker in center st and move it up as you work each row.

Row 1 (WS): Knit.

Row 2: Knit to 1 st before marked st, k3tog, knit to end—2 sts decreased.

Rows 3-16: Rep Rows 1-2—39 sts.

Row 17: Rep Row 1. Cut A.

With B, rep Rows 1-2 until 3 sts remain, then rep Row 1 once more.

K3tog. Fasten off B.

SQUARE 2

With A, long-tail cast on 27 sts. With RS of work facing, pick up and knit 28 sts from lower right corner to upper right corner of Square 1—55 sts.

Work as for Square 1, changing to C on Row 18.

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SQUARE 3

With A and RS of work facing, pick up and knit 28 sts from lower left corner to lower right corner of Square 1; turn; purl-cable cast on 27 sts—55 sts.

Work as for Square 1, changing to D on Row 18.

SQUARE 4

With A and RS of work facing, pick up and knit 27 sts from lower right corner to upper right corner of Square 3, 1 st in center of joined Squares, and 27 sts from lower left corner to lower right corner of Square 2—55 sts.

Work as for Square 1, changing to E on Row 18.

BACK**SQUARE 5**

With B, cast on 55 sts.

Row 1 (WS): Knit.

Row 2: With A, knit to 1 st before marked st, k3tog, knit to end—2 sts decreased.

Row 3: With A, knit.

Row 4: With B, rep Row 2—2 sts decreased.

Row 5: With B, knit.

Rep Rows 2-5 until 3 sts remain. Cut A.

With B, k3tog. Fasten off B.

SQUARE 6

With B, long-tail cast on 27 sts. With RS of work facing, pick up and knit 28 sts from lower right corner to upper right corner of Square 5—55 sts.

Work as for Square 5, beginning with Row 1.

SQUARE 7

With B and RS of work facing, pick up and knit 28 sts from lower left corner to lower right corner of Square 5; turn; purl-cable cast on 27 sts—55 sts.

Work as for Square 5, beginning with Row 1.

SQUARE 8

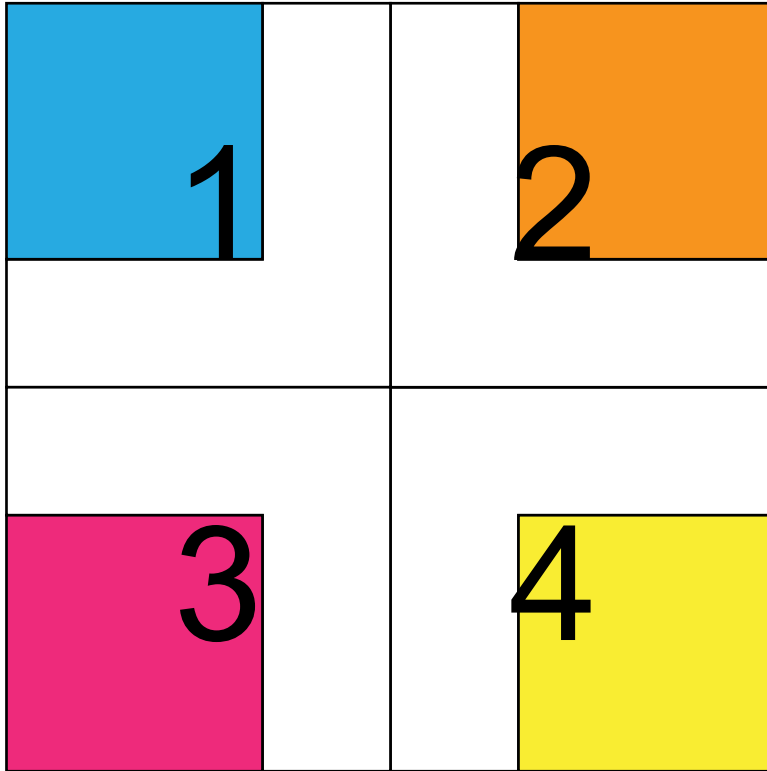
With B and RS of work facing, pick up and knit 27 sts from lower right corner to upper right corner of Square 7, 1 st in center of joined Squares, and 27 sts from lower left corner to lower right corner of Square 6—55 sts.

Work as for Square 5, beginning with Row 1.

FINISHING

Weave in ends. With tapestry needle and A, sew Front to Back, inserting pillow form before sewing final side. Weave in remaining ends.

FRONT



BACK

