



Free Knitting Pattern
Lion Brand® Fishermen's Wool
Aran Knit Sampler Afghan
Pattern Number: 80801AD



Knit in the classic Aran style, this wool afghan is sure to become an heirloom item passed down through the generations.

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SKILL LEVEL: Experienced

SIZE: One Size
45 x 65 in. (114.5 x 165 cm)

CORRECTIONS: None as of Jan 6, 2010. To check for later updates, click [here](#).

MATERIALS

- 150-123 Lion Brand Fishermen's Wool Yarn: Oatmeal
6 Balls
- Lion Brand Knitting Needles- Size 9 [5.5 mm]
- Lion Brand Cable Needles (Set of 2)
- Large-Eye Blunt Needles (Set of 6)

GAUGE:

1 Block = 10 in. (25.5 cm) wide. BE SURE TO CHECK YOUR GAUGE. When you match the gauge in a pattern, your project will be the size specified in the pattern and the materials specified in the pattern will be sufficient. If it takes you less stitches and rows to make a 4 in. [10 cm] square, try using a smaller size hook or needles; if more stitches and rows, try a larger size hook or needles.

STITCH EXPLANATION:

RTK (Right Twist with Knit) Sk next st on needle, k next st and do not sl off needle, k the skipped st and sl both sts off needle tog.

RTP (Right Twist with Purl) Sk next st on needle, k next st and do not sl off needle, p the skipped st and sl both sts off needle tog.

LT (Left Twist) Sk next st on needle, k next st through back loop and do not sl off needle, k the skipped st and sl both sts off needle tog.

BC (Back Cross) Sl 1 st to cable needle and hold in back, k2, then p1 from cable needle.

FC (Front Cross) Sl 2 sts to cable needle and hold in front, p1, then k2 from cable needle.

NOTES:

Afghan is made up of 16 blocks, worked in 5 different pattern stitches. The blocks are sewn together following the assembly diagram.

2	4	2	1
5		3	
3	4	2	
2		5	
3		2	4
		2	1

AFGHAN

BLOCK 1 (make 2)

Cast on 48 sts.

Rows 1 and 3 (RS): K1, *p2, k6, p2, RTK; rep from *, end last rep p2, k1, instead of p2, RTK.

Row 2: K1, *k2, p6, k2, p2; rep from *, end last rep k3 instead of k2, p2.

Row 4: K1, *k2, p2, sl 2 with yarn in front, p2, k2, p2; rep from *, end last rep k3 instead of k2, p2.

Row 5: K1, *p2, sl 2 to cable needle and hold in back, k1, k2 from cable needle, sl next st to cable needle and hold in front, k2, k1 from cable needle, p2, RTK; rep from *, end last rep p2, k1 instead of p2, RTK.

Rows 6-9: Rep Rows 4 and 5 twice.

Rows 10 and 12: Rep Row 2.

Row 11: Rep Row 1.

Rep Rows 1-12 until piece measures 20 in. (51 cm) from beg. Bind off.

BLOCK 2 (make 2)

Cast on 41 sts.

Row 1: K1, *p1, k1; rep from * across.

Rep Row 1 until piece measures 10 in. (25.5 cm) from beg. Bind off.

BLOCK 3 (make 3 – 2 are 20 in. (51 cm) long, 1 is 10 in. (25.5 cm) long)

Cast on 55 sts.

Rows 1 and 3 (RS): K1, *p2, k13, p3; rep from * across.

Rows 2 and 4: K1, *k2, p13, k3; rep from *.

Row 5: K1, *p2, sl 3 sts to cable needle and hold in front, k3, k3 from cable needle, k1, sl 3 sts to cable needle and hold in back, k3, k3 from cable needle, p3; rep from * across, end last rep p2, k1.

Rows 6, 8, 10, and 12: Rep Row 2.

Rows 7, 9, and 11: Rep Row 1.

Row 13: K1, *p2, sl 3 sts to cable needle and hold in back, k3, k3 from cable needle, k1, sl 3 sts to cable needle and hold in front, k3, k3 from cable needle, p3; rep from * across, end last rep p2, k1.

Rows 14 and 16: Rep Row 2.

Row 15: Rep Row 1.

Rep Rows 1-16 for indicated lengths. Bind off.

BLOCK 4 (make 3 – 2 are 10 in. (25.5 cm) long, 1 is 30 in. (76 cm) long)

Cast on 50 sts.

Row 1 (WS): K4, *p2, k6; rep from * across, end last rep k4.

Row 2: K1, p2, *RTP, LT, p4; rep from *, end last rep p2, k1.

Row 3: K3, *p1, k2, p1, k4; rep from * across, end last rep k3.

Row 4: K1, p1, *RTP, p2, LT, p2; rep from * across, end last rep p1, k1.

Row 5: K2, *p1, k4, p1, k2; rep from * across.

Row 6: K1, *RTP, p4, LT; rep from * across, end k1.

Row 7: K1, *p1, k6, p1; rep from * across, end k1.

Row 8: K2, *p6, sk next st, k next st and do not sl off needle, k the skipped st through back loop and sl both sts off needle tog; rep from * across, end p6, k2.

Rows 9, 11, 13, and 15: Rep Rows 7, 5, 3, and 1.

Row 10: K1, *LT, p4, RTP; rep from * across, end k1.

Row 12: K1, p1, *LT, p2, RTP, p2; rep from * across, end last rep p1, k1.

Row 14: K1, p2, *LT, RTP, p4; rep from * across, end last rep p2, k1.

Row 16: K1, p3, *LT, p6; rep from * across, end last rep p3, k1.

Rep Rows 1-16 for indicated lengths. Bind off.

BLOCK 5 (make 2)

Cast on 62 sts.

Row 1 (WS): K1, (k 3, p2, k3, p4, k3, p2, k3) 3 times, k1.

Row 2: K1, *(p2, BC) twice, (FC, p2) twice; rep from * 3 times in all, k1.

Row 3 and all subsequent WS rows: K1, (k all k sts and p all p sts) across, end k1.

Row 4: K1, *p1, (BC, p2) twice, FC, p2, FC, p1; rep from * 3 times in all, k1.

Row 6: K1, *(BC, p2) twice, (p2, FC) twice; rep from * 3 times in all, k1.

Row 8: K1, *(FC, p2) twice, (p2, BC) twice; rep from * 3 times in all, k1.

Row 10: K1, *p1, (FC, p2) twice, BC, p2, BC, p1; rep from * 3 times in all, k1.

Row 12: K1, *(p2, FC) twice, (BC, p2) twice; rep from * 3 times in all, k1.

Rep Rows 1-12 until piece measures 20 in. (51 cm) from beg. Bind off.

FINISHING

This assembly is made from pieces that have been knit to be different lengths. The assembly is NOT symmetrical. To assemble right half of afghan:

1. Join one Block 2 and one long Block 3. The Block 2 will be positioned so that the rows are horizontal; this end joins with the short end of the Block 3. The resulting piece will be 10 in. (25.5 cm) wide and 30 in. (76 cm) long. This is piece A.

2. Join one Block 1 and one Block 2. The short edge of the Block 1 is joined to the Block 2; the Block 2 positioned so that the rows are horizontal. The resulting piece will be 10 in. (25.5 cm) in wide and 30 in. (76 cm) long. This is piece B.

3. Join the long edges of pieces A and B, positioning them so that the two Block 2 are not together (they are at opposite ends when the piece is positioned lengthwise), and piece A is to the left of piece B. The resulting piece will be 20 in. (51 cm) wide and 30 in. (76 cm) long. This is piece C.

4. Join one Block 2 and one short Block 4, positioning the Block 4 so that the longer direction of the diamonds is vertical. The Block 2 is on the left, with the Block 4 on the right. The piece will be 20 in. (51 cm) wide and 10 in. (25.5 cm) long. This is piece D.

5. Positioning piece D so that the Block 2 is on the left, join the remaining Block 1 to the bottom, positioning it so that it is horizontal. You will have a square 20 in. (51 cm) on each side. It has a Block 1 on the bottom and one Block 2 and one Block 4 above it. This is piece E.

6. Position one Block 5 horizontally across the top of piece E and join. Piece E now has a Block 1 positioned horizontally at the bottom and a Block 5 positioned horizontally at the top. It is 20 in. (51 cm) wide and 30 in. (76 cm) long. This is piece F.

7. Join the long top edge of piece F (this is Block 5) to the lower edge of piece C (the edge that has the short edge of Block 3 and the short edge of Block 2). The resulting piece is 20 in. (51 cm) wide and 60 in. (152.5 cm) long. This is the right side of the afghan.

To assemble left half of afghan:

8. Make a long strip by joining the short piece of Block 3, then a Block 2 and finally a long Block 3 positioned vertically. This piece will be 10 in. (25.5 cm) wide and 40 in. (101.5 cm) long. This is piece G.

9. Make a second long strip by joining the long Block 4 and a Block 2. The short edge of the Block 4 joins to a side of the Block 2, where Block 2 is positioned with the rows horizontal. This piece will be 10 in. (25.5 cm) wide and 40 in. (101.5 cm) long. This is piece H.

10. Position piece G so that the short Block 3 is at the top and position piece H so that the Block 4 is at the top. Piece G is on the left and piece H is on the right. Join together in the long direction. You will have a piece that is 20 in. (51 cm) wide and 40 in. (101.5 cm) long. This is piece J.

11. Join the remaining Block 2 and short Block 4, positioning Block 4 so that the longer direction of the diamonds is vertical. The Block 2 is on the left, with Block 4 on the right. The piece will be 20 in. (51 cm) wide and 10 in. (25.5 cm) long. This is piece K. 12. Position the remaining Block 5 horizontally across the bottom of piece K and join. The piece will be 20 in. (51 cm) square. This is piece L.

13. Join the bottom edge of piece L (this is the free horizontal edge of the Block 5) to the portion of piece J that has Block 3 on the left and Block 4 on the right. The resulting piece is 20 in. (51 cm) wide and 60 in. (152.5 cm) long.

This is the left side of the afghan.

14. Position the long edges of the left and right sides together and join.

Border with Mitered Corners (make 4 – 2 are 40 in. (101.5 cm) long for short edges, 2 are 60 in. (152.5 cm) long for long edges)

Cast on 1 st. Working in Block 2 pattern, increase 1 st at same edge every row until there are 11 sts on needle. Work even until piece measures indicated length. Decrease 1 st at same edge as increases every row until 1 st remains. Bind off. Sew to Afghan invisibly and along mitered corners.

ABBREVIATIONS / REFERENCES	
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<u>beg = begin(s)(ning)</u>	<u>k = knit</u>
<u>p = purl</u>	<u>RS = right side</u>
<u>sk = skip</u>	<u>sl = slip</u>
<u>st(s) = stitch(es)</u>	<u>tog = together</u>
<u>WS = wrong side</u>	

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