Free Knitting Pattern
Lion Brand® Fishermen's Wool®
Erin Afghan

Pattern Number: 80234AD

This complex Aran style cable afghan is sure to impress. **Note:** Single crochet is used on the border of the afghan.

SKILL LEVEL: Experienced

SIZE: One Size
About 54 x 72 in. (137 x 183 cm)

CORRECTIONS: (applied Mar 15, 2012)

Row 14: P2, k4, p4, * M1, k3, skp, k4, k2tog, k3, M1,** p5; rep from * to ** once more, p4, k4, p2.

Row 26: P2, k4, p1, p2tog, (k4, p2) twice, k4, p3tog, (k2 4, p2) twice, k4, p2tog, p1, k4, p2.

MATERIALS

- 150-098 Lion Brand Fishermen's Wool Yarn: Natural
  14 Balls
- Lion Brand Knitting Needles - Size 10 [6 mm]
- Lion Brand Crochet Hook - Size J-10 (6 mm)
- Lion Brand Cable Needles (Set of 2)
- Lion Brand Split Ring Stitch Markers
- Large-Eye Blunt Needles (Set of 6)
- Additional Materials
  7 in. (18 cm) piece of heavy cardboard

GAUGE:

One block measures about 17 1/2 x 18 1/2 in. (44.5 x 47 cm) with 2 strands of yarn held tog. 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 fewer 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:

2/1 LPC (2 over 1 left purl cross) Sl 2 sts to cable needle, hold in front, p1, then k2 from cable needle.
2/1 RPC (2 over 1 right purl cross) Sl 1 st to cable needle, hold in back, k2, then p1 from cable needle.
2/2 LC (2 over 2 left cross) Sl 2 sts to cable needle, hold in front, k2, then k2 from cable needle.
2/2 RC (2 over 2 right cross) Sl 2 sts to cable needle, hold in back, k2, then k2 from cable needle.
M1 (as if to purl) An increase worked by lifting the horizontal thread lying between the needles and placing it onto the left needle. Purl this new stitch through the back loop.
skp Slip 1, knit 1, pass slip stitch over knit stitch.
MB (Make Bobble) All in one st work (k1, p1) 3 times, then k1 for a total of 7 sts in 1. Pass in sequence, the 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, and 7th sts on right needle over the last st made.

PATTERN STITCHES
Cable Pattern 1 (worked over 49 sts)
Rows 1, 3, 5, 7, and 9 (WS): (K2, p4) 4 times, k1, (p4, k2) 4 times.
Row 2 (RS): (P2, k4) 4 times, p1, (k4, p2) 4 times.
Row 4: (P2, 2/2 LC, p2, k4) twice, p1, (k4, p2, 2/2 RC, p2) twice.
Row 6: Rep Row 2.
Row 8: P2, 2/2 LC, p2, k4, p2, 2/2 LC, p2, sl 5 sts to cable needle, hold in front, k4, sl p st from cable needle to left needle and purl it, k4 from cable needle, p2, 2/2 RC, p2, k4, p2, 2/2 RC, p2.
Row 10: P2, k4, p2, M1, (k4, p2) twice, k4, M1, p1, M1, (k4, p2) twice, k4, M1, p2, k4, p2.
Row 11: K2, p4, * k3, p4, (k2, p4) twice; rep from * once more, k3, p4, k2.
Row 12: P2, 2/2 LC, p3, M1, k4, p2tog, 2/2 LC, p2tog, k4, M1, p3, M1, k4, p2tog, 2/2 RC, p2tog, k4, M1, p3, 2/2 RC, p2.
Row 13: K2, p4, k4, * (p4, k1) twice, p4 **, k5; rep from * to ** once more, k4, p4, k2.
Row 14: P2, k4, p4, * M1, k3, skp, k4, k2tog, k3, M1,** p5; rep from * to ** once more, p4, k4, p2.
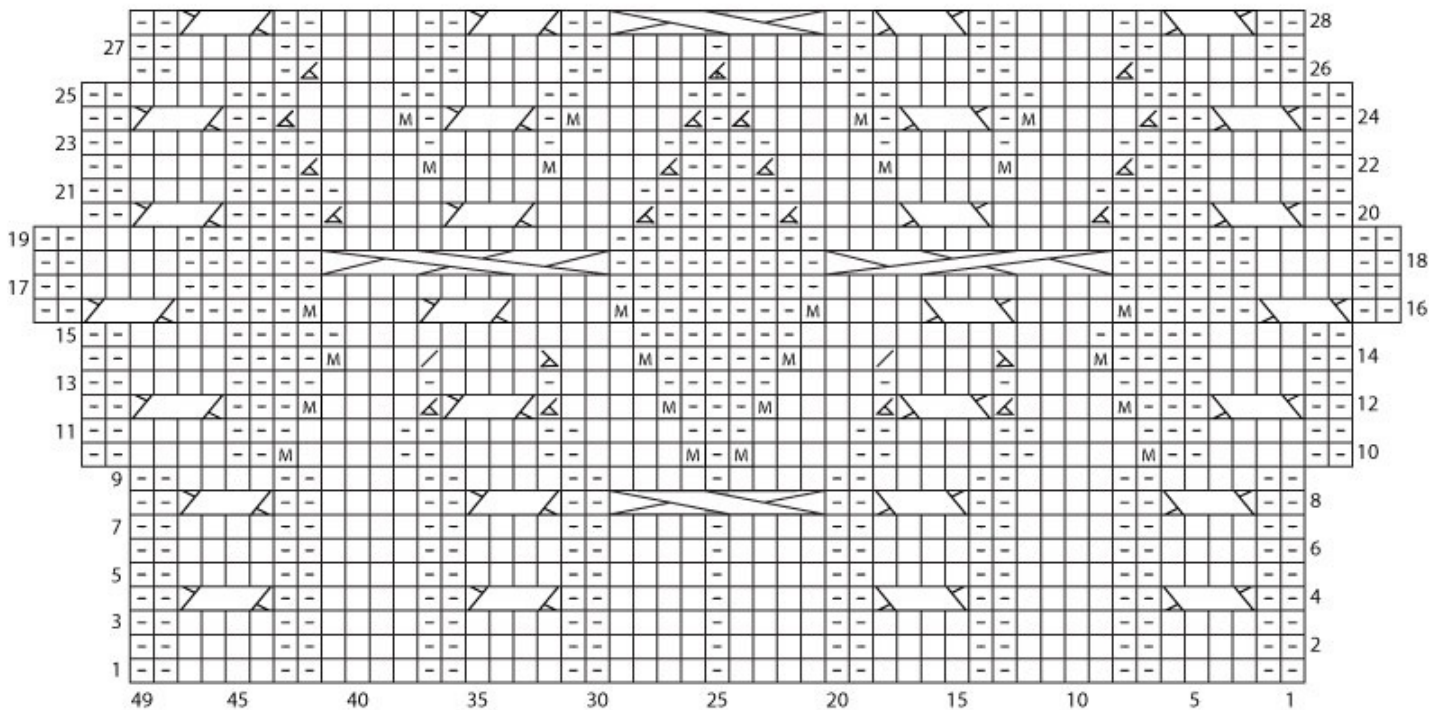**Row 15:** K2, p4, k5, p12, k7, p12, k5, p4, k2.

Row 16: P2, 2/2 LC, p5, M1, k4, 2/2 LC, k4, M1, p7, M1, k4, 2/2 RC, k4, M1, p5, 2/2 RC, p2.
Row 17: K2, p4, k6, p12, k9, p12, k6, p4, k2.
Row 18: P2, k4, p6, sl next 8 sts to cable needle, hold in back, k4, sl the last 4 sts from the cable needle back to left needle and knit them, k4 from cable needle; p9; sl next 8 sts to cable needle and hold in front, k4, sl last 4 sts from cable needle back to left needle and knit them, k4 from cable needle, p6, k4, p2.
Row 19: Rep Row 17.
Row 20: P2, 2/2 LC, p4, p2tog, k4, 2/2 LC, k4, p2tog, p5, p2tog, k4, 2/2 RC, k4, p2tog, p4, 2/2 RC, p2.
Row 21: Rep Row 15.
Row 22: P2, k4, p3, * p2tog, (k4, M1) twice, k4, p2tog, p3; rep from * once more, k4, p2.
Row 23: Rep Row 13.
Row 24: P2, 2/2 LC, p2, p2tog, k4, M1, p1, 2/2 LC, p1, M1, k4, p2tog, p1, p2tog, k4, M1, p1, 2/2 RC, p1, M1, k4, p2tog, p2, 2/2 RC, p2.
Row 25: Rep Row 11.
Row 26: P2, k4, p1, p2tog, (k4, p2) twice, k4, p3tog, (k4, p2) twice, k4, p2tog, p1, k4, p2.
Row 27: Rep Row 3.
Row 28: Rep Row 8.
Rep Rows 1-28 for Cable pattern 1.

Cable Pattern 2 (worked over 15 sts)
Rows 1, 3, 5, and 7 (WS): K5, p5, k5.
Row 2 (RS): P5, k2, MB, k2, p5.
Row 4: P5, MB, k3, MB, p5.
Row 6: Rep Row 2.
Row 8: P4, 2/1 RPC, p1, 2/1 LPC, p4.
Row 9: K4, p2, k1, p1, k1, p2, k4.
Row 10: P3, 2/1 RPC, k1, p1, k1, 2/1 LPC, p3.
Row 11: K3, p3, k1, p1, k1, p3, k3.
Row 12: P2, 2/1 RPC, (p1, k1) twice, p1, 2/1 LPC, p2.
Row 13: K2, p2, (k1, p1) 3 times, k1, p2, k2.
Row 14: P2, k3, (p1, k1) twice, p1, k3, p2.
Row 15: Rep Row 13.
Row 16: P2, 2/1 LPC, (p1, k1) twice, p1, 2/1 RPC, p2.
Row 17: Rep Row 11.
Row 18: P3, 2/1 LPC, k1, p1, k1, 2/1 RPC, p3.
Row 19: Rep Row 9.
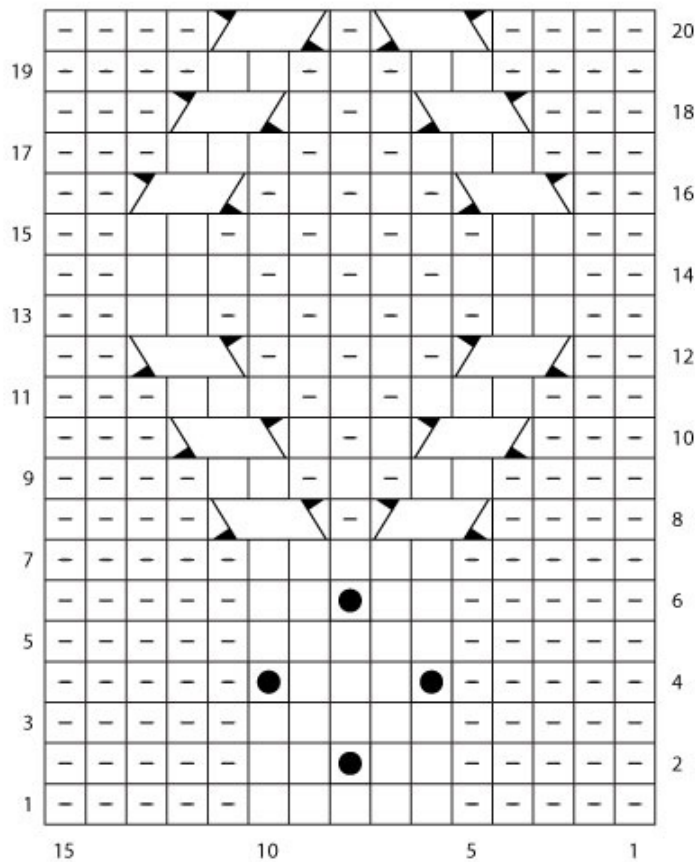**Row 20:** P4, 2/1 LPC, p1, 2/1 RPC, p4.
Rep Rows 1-20 for Cable pattern 2.

NOTES:

Afghan is worked with 2 strands of yarn held tog.

Cable Pattern 1 Key

- ☐ k on RS, p on WS
- − p on RS, k on WS
- M make 1 as if to purl
- ╱ k2tog on RS
- ◿ p2tog on RS
- ◸ skp on RS
- ◺ p3tog on RS

2/2 LC (2 over 2 left cross): Sl 2 sts to cable needle, hold in front, k2, then k2 from cable needle.

2/2 RC (2 over 2 right cross): Sl 2 sts to cable needle, hold in back, k2, then k2 from cable needle.

4/1/4 LPC: Sl 5 sts to cable needle, hold in front, k4, sl p st from cable needle to left needle and purl it, then k4 from cable needle.

RB (Right Braid): Sl 8 sts to cable needle, hold in back, k4, sl last 4 sts from cable needle back to left needle and knit them, then k4 from cable needle.

LB (Left Braid): Sl 8 sts to cable needle, hold in front, k4, sl last 4 sts from cable needle back to left needle and knit them, then k4 from cable needle.

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Cable Pattern 2

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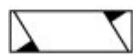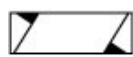12
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Cable Pattern 2 Key

k on RS, p on WS

− p on RS, k on WS

● All in one st work [(k1, p1) 3 times, k1] for a total of 7 sts in 1.
Pass, in sequence, the 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, and 7th sts on right
needle over the last st made.

2/1 LPC (2 over 1 left purl cross): Sl 2 sts to cable needle,
hold in front, p1, then k2 from cable needle.

2/1 RPC (2 over 1 right purl cross): Sl 1 st to cable needle,
hold in back, k2, then p1 from cable needle.

AFGHAN
BLOCK (make 12)
With 2 strands held tog, cast on 85 sts.
Row 1 (WS): K3, place marker, work Row 1 of Cable pattern 2 over next 15 sts, place marker; work Row 1 of Cable pattern 1 over next 49 sts, place marker; work Row 1 of Cable pattern 2 over next 15 sts, k3.
Row 2: P3, work Row 2 of Cable pattern 2 over next 15 sts; work Row 2 of Cable pattern 1 over next 49 sts; work Row 2 of Cable pattern 2 over next 15 sts, p3.
Rows 3-87: Keeping first and last 3 sts in reverse Stockinette st (p on RS, k on WS), continue in Cable patterns as established, thus ending with a Row 3 of Cable pattern 1 and a Row 7 of Cable pattern 2. Bind off.

FINISHING
Alternating directions, sew blocks into 3 strips of 4 blocks each. Seam strips to make Afghan.
Edging
Rnd 1: From RS, with crochet hook, join 2 strands of yarn with sc anywhere along outside edge of Afghan. Work sc evenly spaced around entire outer edge, working 3 sc in each corner; join with sl st in first sc.
Rnd 2: Ch 1, sc in each st around, working 3 sc in each corner; join with sl st in first sc. Fasten off.
BANDED TASSEL (make 4)
Wrap yarn around 7 in. (18 cm) cardboard 45 times. Cut a piece of yarn 16 in. (40.5 cm) long and thread, doubled, into large-eyed blunt needle. Insert needle under all strands at upper edge of cardboard. Pull tightly and knot securely near strands. Cut yarn loops at lower edge of cardboard. Cut a piece of yarn 8 in. (20.5 cm) long and wrap tightly around loops 2 in. (5 cm)

below top knot to form tassel neck. Knot securely; thread ends onto needle and weave ends to center of Tassel. Trim Tassel ends evenly.

Band
Cast on 10 sts, then bind off these same sts. Wrap band over tassel neck. Sew ends of band together. Tie a Tassel to each corner of Afghan. Weave in ends.

ABBREVIATIONS / REFERENCES	
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ch(s) = chain(s)	k = knit
k2tog = knit 2 together	p = purl
p2tog = purl 2 together	p3tog = purl 3 together
rep = repeat(s)(ing)	rnd(s) = round(s)
RS = right side	sc = single crochet
sl = slip	st(s) = stitch(es)
tog = together	WS = wrong side

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