



***Free Knitting Pattern***  
**Lion Brand® Heartland®**  
**Field Study Afghan**  
Pattern Number: L40333  
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Love watching the leaves change color in the fall fall? Decorate your house for autumn with this sampler style afghan made with autumn foliage colors in Heartland yarn.

## **SKILL LEVEL – Intermediate**

### **SIZES**

One Size

About 50 x 59 in. (127 x 150 cm)

### **MATERIALS**

- Lion Brand® Heartland® (Art. #136)
  - 350 Mount Rainier Tweed 9 balls
  - 135 Yosemite 1 ball
  - 173 Everglades 1 ball
  - 158 Yellowstone 1 ball
  - 174 Joshua Tree 1 ball
  - 169 Shenandoah 1 ball
- Lion Brand® knitting needles size 9 (5.5 mm)
- Lion Brand® stitch markers
- Lion Brand® stitch holders
- Lion Brand® large-eyed blunt needle



### **ADDITIONAL MATERIALS**

Circular knitting needle size 9 (5.5 mm), 40 in. (101.5 cm) long

### **GAUGE**

16 sts = 4 in. (10 cm) over Pattern I.

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. The needle or hook size called for in the pattern is based on what the designer used, but it is not unusual for gauge to vary from person to person. If it takes you fewer stitches and rows to make your swatch, try using a smaller size hook or needles; if more stitches and rows, try a larger size hook or needles.

### **Making a Gauge Swatch**

### **STITCH EXPLANATION:**

**kfb (knit in front and back)** Knit next st without removing it from left needle, then k through back of same st – 1 st increased.

**pfb (purl in front and back)** Purl next st without removing it from left needle, then p through back of same st – 1 st increased.

**M1 (make 1)** An increase worked by lifting the horizontal strand lying between needles and placing it onto left needle. Knit this new stitch through the back loop – 1 st increased. **skp** Slip 1 as if to knit, knit 1, pass slip stitch over knit stitch – 1 st decreased.

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**sk2p** Slip 1 as if to knit, knit 2 together, pass slipped stitch over – 2 sts decreased.

### **Yo (yarn over)**

An increase that also creates a small decorative hole (eyelet) in the fabric, worked as follows:

1. Bring yarn to front, between the needles.
2. Take yarn to back, over the right needle. This creates the new st. You are now ready to proceed with the next st as instructed.

## **SPECIAL TECHNIQUES**

**Knitted Cord (on circular needle)** With circular needle, cast on specified number of sts. Knit the sts. Do not turn work. \*Slide sts to other end of needle and knit them, pulling yarn tightly across the back of the work, (do not turn work); rep from \* until cord measures desired length. Bind off.

## **PATTERN STITCHES**

**Note:** All patterns are worked across 62 sts.

### **Pattern I**

**Rows 1 and 3:** K31, (p2, k2) 7 times, p2, k1.

**Row 2 and All WS Rows:** K the knit sts and p the purl sts.

**Rows 5 and 7:** K31, (k2, p2) 7 times, k3.

**Rows 9-32:** Rep Rows 1-8.

**Rows 33 and 35:** K3, (p2, k2) 7 times, k31.

**Rows 37 and 39:** K1, (p2, k2) 7 times, p2, k31.

**Rows 41-64:** Rep Rows 33-40.

### **Pattern II**

**Row 1 (RS):** K1, p4, (k4, p4) 7 times, k1.

**Row 2:** P1, (k4, p4) 7 times, k4, p1.

Rep Rows 1 and 2 for Pattern II.

### **Pattern III**

**Rows 1, 3, 5 and 7 (RS):** K11, (k5, p1, k1, p1, k1, p1) 4 times, k11.

**Rows 2, 4, 6 and 8:** P11, (p1, k1, p1, k1, p6) 4 times, p11.

**Rows 9, 11, 13 and 15:** K11, (p1, k1, p1, k1, p1, k5) 4 times, k11.

**Rows 10, 12, 14 and 16:** P11, (p6, k1, p1, k1, p1) 4 times, p11.

Rep Rows 1-16 for Pattern III.

### **Pattern IV**

**Row 1 (RS):** K2, (k5, p1, k1, p1, k1, p1) twice, k5, (k1, p1) 17 times, k1.

**Row 2:** P1, (p1, k1) 17 times, p5, (k1, p1, k1, p1, k1, p5) twice, p2.

Rep Rows 1 and 2 for Pattern IV.

### Pattern V

**Row 1 (RS):** Knit.

**Row 2:** Purl.

**Rows 3 and 4:** Knit.

**Rows 5 and 6:** Purl.

**Rows 7-36:** Rep Rows 1-6.

**Row 37:** K37, place marker, work Row 1 to end of row.

**Row 38:** Work Row 2 to marker, slip marker, p to end of row.

**Rows 39-72:** Keep 37 sts in St st (k on RS, p on WS) and rep Rows 1-6 of Pattern V as established over rem sts.

### Pattern Stitch VI

**Row 1 (RS):** K1, (k15, p15) twice, k1.

**Row 2 and All WS Rows:** Knit the knit sts and purl the purl sts.

**Rows 3-18:** Rep Rows 1 and 2.

**Row 19:** K1, (p15, k15) twice, k1.

**Rows 21-36:** Rep Rows 19 and 20.

**Rows 37-72:** Rep Rows 1-36.

### NOTES:

1. Three separate Strips are worked, each in 5 different st patterns.
2. Strips are sewn tog, then a border is worked from sts picked up along the outside edges of the Afghan.
3. Leaves are worked separately, then sewn to completed Afghan.
4. A circular needle is used for borders to accommodate the number of sts. Work back and forth on the circular needle as if working on straight needles.
5. When you see "- 12 sts" in the instructions, this lets you know how many sts you will have at the end of that specific row.
6. If you have difficulty in working the pfb (purl into front and then back of the same st) try purling into the back and then the front of the st – some people find this easier!

Note: The following corrections have been incorporated into the pattern below. We are highlighting the corrections separately here so that if you have printed out an earlier version of the pattern you'll know what was changed.

CORRECTIONS (applied June 7th, 2018)

### Elm Leaf

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#### Leaf

**Row 1 (RS):** K3, yo, k1, yo, k3 – 9 sts.

**Rows 2, 4, 6, 10, 12, 16, 20, 22, 24 and 2426:** Purl.

**Row 3:** K4, yo, k1, yo, k4 – 11 sts.

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**Row 5:** K5, yo, k1, yo, k5 – 13 sts.  
**Row 7:** Bind off 3 sts, k2, yo, k1, yo, k6 – 12 sts.  
**Row 8:** Bind off 3 sts, p8 – 9 sts.  
**Rows 9-14~~20~~:** Rep Rows 3-8 **twice**.  
**Rows 15-18:** Rep Rows 5-8.  
**Row 19~~21~~:** Skp, k5, k2tog – 7 sts.  
**Row 21~~23~~:** Skp, k3, k2tog – 5 sts.  
**Row 23~~25~~:** Skp, k1, k2tog – 3 sts.  
**Row 25~~27~~:** Sk2p

## AFGHAN

### Strip 1

With straight needles and A, cast on 62 sts.  
Knit 1 row.

1. Work Rows 1-64 of Pattern I.
2. Beg with Row 1, rep Rows 1 and 2 of Pattern II for 11 in. (28 cm), end with a Row 2 as the last row you work.
3. Beg with Row 1, rep Rows 1-16 of Pattern III for 11 in. (28 cm), end with a Row 16 as the last row you work.
4. Beg with Row 1, rep Rows 1 and 2 of Pattern IV for 11 in. (28 cm), end with a Row 2 as the last row you work.
5. Work Rows 1-72 of Pattern V.  
Bind off.

### Strip 2

With straight needles and A, cast on 62 sts.

Knit 1 row.

1. Work Rows 1-72 of Pattern V.
2. Beg with Row 1, rep Rows 1 and 2 of Pattern IV for 11 in. (28 cm), end with a Row 1 as the last row you work.  
Knit 1 row.
3. Work Rows 1-64 of Pattern I.
4. Work Rows 1-72 of Pattern VI.
5. Beg with Row 1, rep Rows 1-16 of Pattern III for 11 in. (28 cm), end with a Row 16 as the last row you work.  
Bind off.

### Strip 3

With straight needles and A, cast on 62 sts.

1. Beg with Row 1, rep Rows 1-16 of Pattern III for 11 in. (28 cm), end with a Row 16 as the last row you work.
  2. Work Rows 1-72 of Pattern VI.
  3. Work Rows 1-72 of Pattern V.
  4. Beg with Row 1, rep Rows 1 and 2 of Pattern II for 11 in. (28 cm), end with a Row 2 as the last row you work.
  5. Work Rows 1-64 of Pattern I.
- Bind off.

### FINISHING

Sew long sides of Strips together in numerical order 1-2-3.

#### Top Border

From RS with circular needle and B, pick up and k 190 sts evenly spaced across top edge of Afghan.

Knit 1 row. Change to C.

**Row 1 (Increase Row):** With C, kfb, knit to last st, kfb – 192 sts.

**Row 2:** Knit.

Rep Rows 1 and 2, working 2 rows with D, 2 rows with E, 4 rows with F, 2 rows with E and 2 rows with B –

204 sts when all rows have been completed.

Bind off.

Rep across lower edge of Afghan.

#### Side Borders

From RS with circular needle and B, pick up and k 272 sts evenly spaced along one side edge of Afghan.

Work as for top border – 286 sts when all rows have been completed.

Bind off.

Rep on opposite side of Afghan.

Sew corners of borders.

Weave in ends.

### Leaves

#### Notes

1. Instructions are provided for the Leaves shown on the Afghan, but we encourage you to make as many Leaves as you like!
2. Unless otherwise noted, work all Leaves with straight knitting needles.

### Elm Leaf (make 6: 2 each with B, C and F)

#### Stem

Cast on 5 sts.

**Row 1 (RS):** K1, (sl 1, k1) twice.

**Row 2:** Sl 1, (p1, sl 1) twice.

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Rep Rows 1 and 2 for 1 in. (2.5 cm), end with Row 1 as the last row you work.

**Next Row:** Pfb, p1, sl 1, p1, pfb – 7 sts.

#### **Leaf**

**Row 1 (RS):** K3, yo, k1, yo, k3 – 9 sts.

**Rows 2, 4, 6, 10, 12, 16, 20, 24 and 26:** Purl.

**Row 3:** K4, yo, k1, yo, k4 – 11 sts.

**Row 5:** K5, yo, k1, yo, k5 – 13 sts.

**Row 7:** Bind off 3 sts, k2, yo, k1, yo, k6 – 12 sts.

**Row 8:** Bind off 3 sts, p8 – 9 sts.

**Rows 9-20:** Rep Rows 3-8 twice.

**Row 21:** Skp, k5, k2tog – 7 sts.

**Row 23:** Skp, k3, k2tog – 5 sts.

**Row 25:** Skp, k1, k2tog – 3 sts.

**Row 27:** Sk2p.

Fasten off.

#### **Maple Leaf (make 4: 2 each with C and E)**

##### **Stem**

Cast on 5 sts.

Rep Rows 1 and 2 of Elm Leaf stem for 1 in. (2.5 cm), but end with a Row 2 as the last row you work.

**Next Row:** Kfb, sl 1, k1, sl 1, kfb – 7 sts.

##### **Leaf**

**Row 1 (WS):** P3, sl 1, p3.

**Row 2:** K1, M1, k2, yo, k1, yo, k2, M1, k1 – 11 sts.

**Row 3 and all WS rows except Row 15:** Purl.

**Row 4:** K1, M1, k4, yo, k1, yo, k4, M1, k1 – 15 sts.

**Row 6:** K7, yo, k1, yo, k7 – 17 sts.

**Row 8:** K8, yo, k1, yo, k8 – 19 sts.

**Row 10:** K9, yo, k1, yo, k9 – 21 sts.

**Row 12:** Knit.

**Row 14:** (K7, M1) twice, k2, slip last 5 sts to holder for Left Blade.

**Row 15 (WS):** P13, slip last 5 sts to holder for Right Blade – 13 sts rem for Center Blade.

##### **Center Blade**

**Row 16:** K1, skp, k7, k2tog, k1 – 11 sts.

**Row 18:** K1, skp, k5, k2tog, k1 – 9 sts.

**Row 20:** K1, skp, k3, k2tog, k1 – 7 sts.

**Row 22:** K1, skp, k1, k2tog, k1 – 5 sts.

**Row 24:** K1, sk2p, k1 – 3 sts.

**Row 26:** Sk2p.

Fasten off.

##### **Right Blade**

**Row 15:** From WS, purl across 5 sts from Right Blade stitch holder.

**Row 16:** K1, sk2p, k1 – 3 sts.

**Row 18:** Sk2p.

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Fasten off.

### **Left Blade**

**Row 14:** From RS, knit across 5 sts from Left Blade stitch holder.

**Row 15:** Purl.

**Row 16:** K1, sk2p, k1 – 3 sts.

**Row 18:** Sk2p.

Fasten off.

### **Garter St Leaf (make 24: 8 with B and 4 each with C and F)**

Cast on 9 sts.

**Rows 1, 3, and 5:** K3, sk2p, k3 – 7 sts.

**Rows 2 and 4:** K1, M1, k2, p1, k2, M1, k1 – 9 sts.

**Row 6:** K3, p1, k3.

**Row 7:** K2, sk2p, k2 – 5 sts.

**Row 8:** K2, p1, k2.

**Row 9:** K1, sk2p, k1 – 3 sts.

**Row 10:** K1, p1, k1.

**Row 11:** Sk2p.

Fasten off.

### **New Leaf (make 9: 6 with D and 3 with E)**

Cast on 6 sts.

**Row 1:** K4, sl 1 wyif, turn, leaving rem sts unworked.

**Row 2:** Sl 1 wyib, k3, kfb, turn – 7 sts total.

**Rows 3-18:** Rep Rows 1 and 2 – 15 sts at the end of Row 18.

**Row 19:** Knit.

**Row 20:** Sl 1 wyib, k4, turn, leaving rem sts unworked.

**Row 21:** K2tog, k3, sl 1 wyib, turn – 14 sts.

**Rows 22-37:** Rep Rows 20 and 21 – 6 sts at the end of Row 37.

**Row 38:** Knit.

Bind off.

### **New Leaf Stem (make 3: 2 with D and 1 with E)**

With circular needle, cast on 5 sts.

Work in Knitted Cord until piece measures 7 in. (18 cm) from beg.

**Next Row (RS):** Skp, k1, k2tog – 3 sts rem.

**Last Row:** K3tog.

Fasten off.

### **Fan Leaf (make 2 with B)**

#### **Stem**

Cast on 5 sts.

**Row 1 (RS):** K1, (sl 1, k1) twice.

**Row 2:** Sl 1, (p1, sl 1) twice.



Rep Rows 1 and 2 until piece measures about 4 1/2 in. (11.5 cm) from beg, end with a Row 2 as the last row you work.

#### **Leaf**

**Row 1 (RS):** (K1, M1) 4 times, k1 – 9 sts.

**Rows 2, 4 and 6:** Purl.

**Row 3:** (K1, M1) 8 times, k1 – 17 sts.

**Row 5:** (K1, M1) 16 times, k1 – 33 sts.

**Row 7:** Knit.

**Row 8:** Bind off 2 sts, p to end of row – 31 sts.

**Row 9:** Bind off 2 sts, k to end of row – 29 sts.

**Rows 10-21:** Rep Rows 8 and 9 – 5 sts at the end of Row 21.

Row 22: Rep Row 8 – 3 sts.

Row 23: Knit.

Row 24: Sk2p.

Fasten off.

#### **Aspen Leaf (make 9: 3 each with D, E and F)**

##### **Stem**

Cast on 5 sts.

**Row 1 (RS):** K1, (sl 1, k1) twice.

**Row 2:** Sl 1, (p1, sl 1) twice.

Rep Rows 1 and 2 until piece measures about 1 in. (2.5 cm) from beg, end with a Row 2 as the last row you work.

##### **Leaf**

**Row 1 (RS):** K2, yo, k1, yo, k2 – 7 sts.

**Row 2 and all WS Rows:** Purl.

**Row 3:** K3, yo, k1, yo, k3 – 9 sts.

**Row 5:** K4, yo, k1, yo, k4 – 11 sts.

**Rows 7, 9, 11 and 13:** Skp, k to last 2 sts, k2tog – 3 sts at the end of Row 13.

**Row 15:** Sk2p.

Fasten off.

Sew Leaves and Stems to Afghan as desired. For New Leaves, sew 3 matching leaves tog at one point, then sew a Stem to that point.

#### **ABBREVIATIONS**

beg = begin(ning)

dec = decreas(e)(s)(ing)

inc = increas(e)(s)(ing)

k = knit

k2tog = knit 2 stitches together

p = purl

p3tog = purl 3 together

rem = remain(s)(ing)

rep = repeat(s)(ing)

RS = right side

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sl = slip  
St st = Stockinette stitch  
st(s) = stitch(es)  
tog = together  
wyib = with yarn in back  
wyif = with yarn in front  
WS = wrong side

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