

# Free Knitting Pattern LION BRAND® VANNA'S CHOICE® AROUND THE WORLD AFGHAN

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# **SKILL LEVEL –** INTERMEDIATE

# SIZES

About 44 x 55 in. (112 x 140 cm).

### MATERIALS

- LION BRAND<sup>®</sup> VANNA'S CHOICE<sup>®</sup> (Art. #860)
  - #109 Colonial Blue 8 balls (A)
  - #110 Navy 2 balls (B)
  - #105 Silver Blue 1 ball (C)
  - #171 Fern 1 ball (D)
  - #172 Kelly Green 1 ball (E)
  - #158 Mustard 1 ball (F)
  - #130 Honey 1 ball (G)
  - #142 Rose 1 ball (H)
  - #144 Magenta 1 ball (I)
  - or colors of your choice
- LION BRAND<sup>®</sup> double pointed knitting needles size 8 (5 mm)
- LION BRAND<sup>®</sup> stitch markers
- LION BRAND® large-eyed blunt needle

# ADDITIONAL MATERIALS

Circular knitting needle size 8 (5 mm), 29 in. (73.5 cm) long

# GAUGE

16 sts + 22 rows = about 4 in. (10 cm) in St st (k on RS, p on WS). **BE SURE TO CHECK YOUR GAUGE.** 

# **PATTERN STITCH**

Seed St (worked over an odd number of sts)

Row 1: \*K1, p1; rep from \* to last st, k1.

Row 2: K the purl sts and p the knit sts.

Rep Row 2 for Seed st.



# STITCH EXPLANATION

**M1P (make 1 st as if to purl)** An increase worked by lifting the horizontal strand lying between the needles and placing it onto the left hand needle. Purl this new stitch through the back loop -1 st increased.

# NOTES

- 1. Afghan is worked in one piece with an intarsia colorwork center.
- 2. A circular needle is used to accommodate the large number of sts. Work back and forth on the circular needle as if working on straight needles.
- 3. When working in intarsia colorwork, use a separate ball of yarn for each color section, do not carry colors across WS of work. Twist yarns on WS to prevent holes. Small details or areas of color can be worked in duplicate st.
- 4. Intarsia colorwork is worked from a chart. When working from chart, work in St st (k on RS, p on WS) and read from right to left on RS rows and from left to right on WS rows.
- 5. A knit cord is made separately, then sewn on to finished Afghan to make a 'globe'.
- 6. Stars are embroidered.

# <u>AFGHAN</u>

#### Center

With circular needle and A, cast on 161 sts.

Beginning with a RS (knit) row, work in St st (k on RS, p on WS) for 20 rows.

Work 14 rows in Seed st.

Work 20 rows in St st.

Work 14 rows in Seed st.

Work 12 rows in St st.

### **Begin Chart**

**Row 1 (RS):** With A, work in St st across 7 sts, place marker (pm), work Chart Row 1 across 147 sts, pm, with A, work in St st across last 7 sts.

Keeping sts outside of markers in St st with A and remaining 147 sts in St st and following Chart, work until 124 rows of Chart have been completed.

Remove markers and continue with A only as follows:

Work 12 rows in St st.

Work 14 rows in Seed st.

Work 20 rows in St st.

Work 14 rows in Seed st.

Work 20 rows in St st.

Bind off.

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# **FINISHING**

#### Borders

Note: Sts are increased when working borders to create mitered corners.

#### Top Border

From RS, with circular needle and B, pick and k 159 sts evenly spaced across top edge of Afghan.

**Row 1 (WS):** P6, \*k3, p5; rep from \* to last st, p1.

**Row 2:** K1, M1P, \*k5, p3; rep from \* to last 6 sts, k5, M1P, k1 – you will have 161 sts at the end of this row.

Change to A.

Row 3: With A, purl.

**Row 4:** K1, M1P, p1, \*k5, p3; rep from \* to last 7 sts, k5, p1, M1P, k1 – 163 sts.

**Row 5:** P1, k2, \*p5, k3; rep from \* to last 8 sts, p5, k2, p1.

**Row 6:** K1, M1P, p2, \*k5, p3; rep from \* to last 8 sts, k5, p2, M1P, k1 – 165 sts.

**Row 7:** P1, k3, \*p5, k3; rep from \* to last 9 sts, p5, k3, p1.

Change to B.

Row 8: Knit..

**Row 9:** P1, k3, \*p5, k3; rep from \* to last 9 sts, p5, k3, p1.

Bind off.

#### Lower Edge Border

Work same as Top Border.

#### Side Borders

Work same as Top Border, picking up 271 sts evenly spaced along each side edge.

Sew shaped ends of top and lower edge borders to shaped ends of side borders.

Weave in ends.

### Cords (make 2)

With 2 double pointed needles and B, cast on 3 sts. Knit the 3 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 about 54 in. (137 cm) long. Bind off.

Following photo, sew one cord in a semi-circle above Chart; sew second cord below Chart.

Embroider stars with yarn colors as desired randomly on Afghan borders.

For each star, embroider a straight stitch '+', then a straight stitch 'x' on top.

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# **ABBREVIATIONS**

**k** = knit

**p** = purl

rep = repeat

**RS =** right side

St st = Stockinette stitch

st(s) = stitch(es)

WS = wrong side

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