



***Free Knitting Pattern***  
**Lion Brand® New Basic 175®**  
**Vibrant Color Afghan**  
Pattern Number: L70040  
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## **SKILL LEVEL – Easy+**

### **SIZE**

About 40 x 50 in. (101.5 x 127 cm), not including side borders.

### **MATERIALS**

- Lion Brand® New Basic 175 (Art. #675)
  - 134 Brick 1 ball (A)
  - 113 Tomato 1 ball (B)
  - 133 Pumpkin 1 ball (C)
  - 132 Mango 1 ball (D)
  - 126 Espresso 2 balls (E)
  - 124 Camel 1 ball (F)
  - 123 Café Au Lait 1 ball (G)
  - 174 Olive 1 ball (H)
  - 172 Grass 1 ball (I)
  - 173 Thyme 1 ball (J)
  - 109 Petrol Blue 1 ball (K)
- Lion Brand® large-eyed blunt needle



### **ADDITIONAL MATERIALS**

Circular knitting needle size 8 (5 mm), 36 in. (91.5 cm) long

### **GAUGE**

16 sts = about 4 in. (10 cm) over Rows 1 and 2 of Short Row Block.  
BE SURE TO CHECK YOUR GAUGE.

### **STITCH EXPLANATION**

#### **W&T**

1. Bring the yarn between the needles to the front of the work (the front is the side that is facing you). Take care not to wrap the yarn over a needle, this would create a new st.
2. Slip the next st from the left hand needle to the right hand needle as if to purl.
3. Turn the work. After turning, the yarn will be in the back of the work.
4. Bring the yarn between the needles to the front of the work.
5. Slip the first st on left needle as if to purl, back onto right needle. You will now have one stitch on the right needle with a wrap of yarn around the base of the st.
6. Bring the yarn between the needles to the back of the work and continue with the row.
7. When you encounter the wrapped st on the next row, knit the st as usual. Since you are knitting every row, you do not need to do anything with the wrap itself.

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## NOTES

1. Four Strips are worked separately, then sewn together following a diagram to make the Afghan.
2. A circular needle is used to accommodate the large number of side edging stitches. Work back and forth on the circular needle just as if working with straight needles. If preferred, use straight needles to work the strips.
3. An edging is worked along both side edges of the Afghan.

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 Oct. 19th, 2017)

### STRIP THREE

With K, knit 6 rows. With G, knit 6 rows. With E, knit 6 rows.

Work Short Row Block, using F for first color, I for second color and E for third color.

With C, knit 4 rows.

Work K2, p2 Block, using G for first color and A for second color. Work ~~46 rows of Block III~~, **Slip St Block**, using J for first color and K for second color.

## AFGHAN

The following are basic instructions for the blocks. Specific colors to use in these blocks are in the instructions for each Strip.

### Short Row Block (worked over 40 sts)

#### Notes

1. The Short Row Block uses 3 colors of yarn. You don't need to cut the yarn between color changes, just carry the unused color along the side edge of the block.
2. Short rows are not difficult to work! You'll just be working a partial row, then turning your work to knit back to the beginning of the row.
3. Rows 3-9 and 11-17 involve working a partial RS row, then knitting back (so on the WS) to the beginning of the row.

**Rows 1 and 2:** With first color, knit.

Change to second color.

**Row 3:** With second color, k35, W&T, k back to beginning of row.

**Row 4:** With first color, k30, W&T, k back to beginning of row.

**Row 5:** With second color, k25, W&T, k back to beginning of row.

**Row 6:** With first color, k20, W&T, k back to beginning of row.

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**Row 7:** With second color, k15, W&T, k back to beginning of row.

**Row 8:** With first color, k10, W&T, k back to beginning of row.

**Row 9:** With second color, k5, W&T, k back to beginning of row.

Change to third color

**Row 10 (RS):** With third color, k40.

**Row 11:** K5, W&T, k back to beginning of row.

**Row 12:** K10, W&T, k back to beginning of row.

**Row 13:** K15, W&T, k back to beginning of row.

**Row 14:** K20, W&T, k back to beginning of row.

**Row 15:** K25, W&T, k back to beginning of row.

**Row 16:** K30, W&T, k back to beginning of row.

**Row 17:** K35, W&T, k back to beginning of row.

**Row 18 (WS):** Knit.

**Rows 19-72:** Rep Rows 1-18 for 3 more times for Short Row Block.

### **K2, p2 Block (worked over 40 sts)**

**Note:** The K2, p2 Block uses 2 colors of yarn. You don't need to cut the yarn between color changes, just carry the unused color along the side edge of the block.

**Set-up Row:** With first color, knit.

**Next Row:** With first color, \*k2, p2; rep from \* across.

**Row 1:** With second color, \*p2, k2; rep from \* across.

**Row 2:** With second color, \*k2, p2; rep from \* across.

**Rows 3 and 4:** With first color, rep Rows 1 and 2.

**Rows 5-40:** Rep Rows 1-4 for 9 more times.

**Row 41:** Rep Row 1.

**Row 42:** With second color, purl.

### **Slip Stitch Block (worked over 40 sts)**

**Note:** The Slip St Block uses 2 colors of yarn. You don't need to cut the yarn between color changes, just carry the unused color along the side edge of the block.

With first color, knit 2 rows.

**Row 1 (RS):** With second color, \*k1, slip next st with yarn in back; rep from \* across.

**Row 2:** With second color, \*slip next st with yarn in front, p1; rep from \* across.

**Rows 3 and 4:** With first color, knit.

**Rows 5-44:** Rep Rows 1-4 for 10 more times for Slip St Block.

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### **STRIP ONE**

**Note:** If working on circular needle, work just as if using straight needles.

With E, cast on 40 sts.

Work Short Row Block, using E for first color, F for second color and H for third color.

With D, knit 4 rows.

Work K2, p2 Block, using C for first color and B for second color.

Work Slip St Block, using A for first color and D for second color.

With E, knit 6 rows.

With I, knit 6 rows.

With F, knit 6 rows.

Work Short Row Block using H for first color, J for second color and K for third color.

With A, knit 4 rows.

Work K2, p2 Block, using J for first color and F for second color.

Work Slip St Block, using I for first color and E for second color.

With A, knit 6 rows.

With D, knit 6 rows.

With J, knit 6 rows.

Bind off.

### **STRIP TWO**

With H, cast on 40 sts.

Work Short Row Block, using H for first color, I for second color, and E for third color.

With C, knit 4 rows.

Work K2, p2 Block, using B for first color and A for second color.

Work Slip St Block, using K for first color and I for second color.

With D, knit 6 rows.

With A, knit 6 rows.

With B, knit 6 rows.

Work Short Row Block, using E for first color, A for second color and G for third color.

With I, knit 4 rows.

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Work K2, p2 Block, using H for first color and K for second color.  
Work Slip St Block, using E for first color and D for second color.

With H, knit 6 rows.  
With F, knit 6 rows.  
With C, knit 6 rows.

Bind off.

### **STRIP THREE**

With E, cast on 40 sts.

Work Short Row Block, using E for first color, K for second color and F for third color.

With B, knit 4 rows.

Work K2, p2 Block, using A for first color and E for second color.  
Work Slip St Block, using H for first color and G for second color.

With K, knit 6 rows.  
With G, knit 6 rows.  
With E, knit 6 rows.

Work Short Row Block, using F for first color, I for second color and E for third color.

With C, knit 4 rows.

Work K2, p2 Block, using G for first color and A for second color.  
Slip St Block, using J for first color and K for second color.

With E, knit 6 rows.  
With B, knit 6 rows.  
With G, knit 6 rows.

Bind off.

### **STRIP FOUR**

With H, cast on 40 sts.

Work Short Row Block, using H for first color, E for second color and G for third color.

With A, knit 4 rows.

Work K2, p2 Block, using E for first color and K for second color.  
Work Slip St Block, using F for first color and B for second color.

With C, knit 6 rows.  
With H, knit 6 rows.  
With J, knit 6 rows.

Work Short Row Block, using E for first color, F for second color and A for third color.  
With K, knit 4 rows.

Work K2, p2 Block, using I for first color and E for second color.  
Work Slip St Block, using C for first color and G for second color.

With I, knit 6 rows.  
With K, knit 6 rows.  
With E, knit 6 rows.

Bind off.

### **FINISHING**

Following diagram, sew Strips One-Four together along long sides.

### **Edging**

From RS with C, following diagram for placement, pick up and k186 sts evenly spaced across side edge of Afghan.  
Knit 3 rows.  
Bind off.

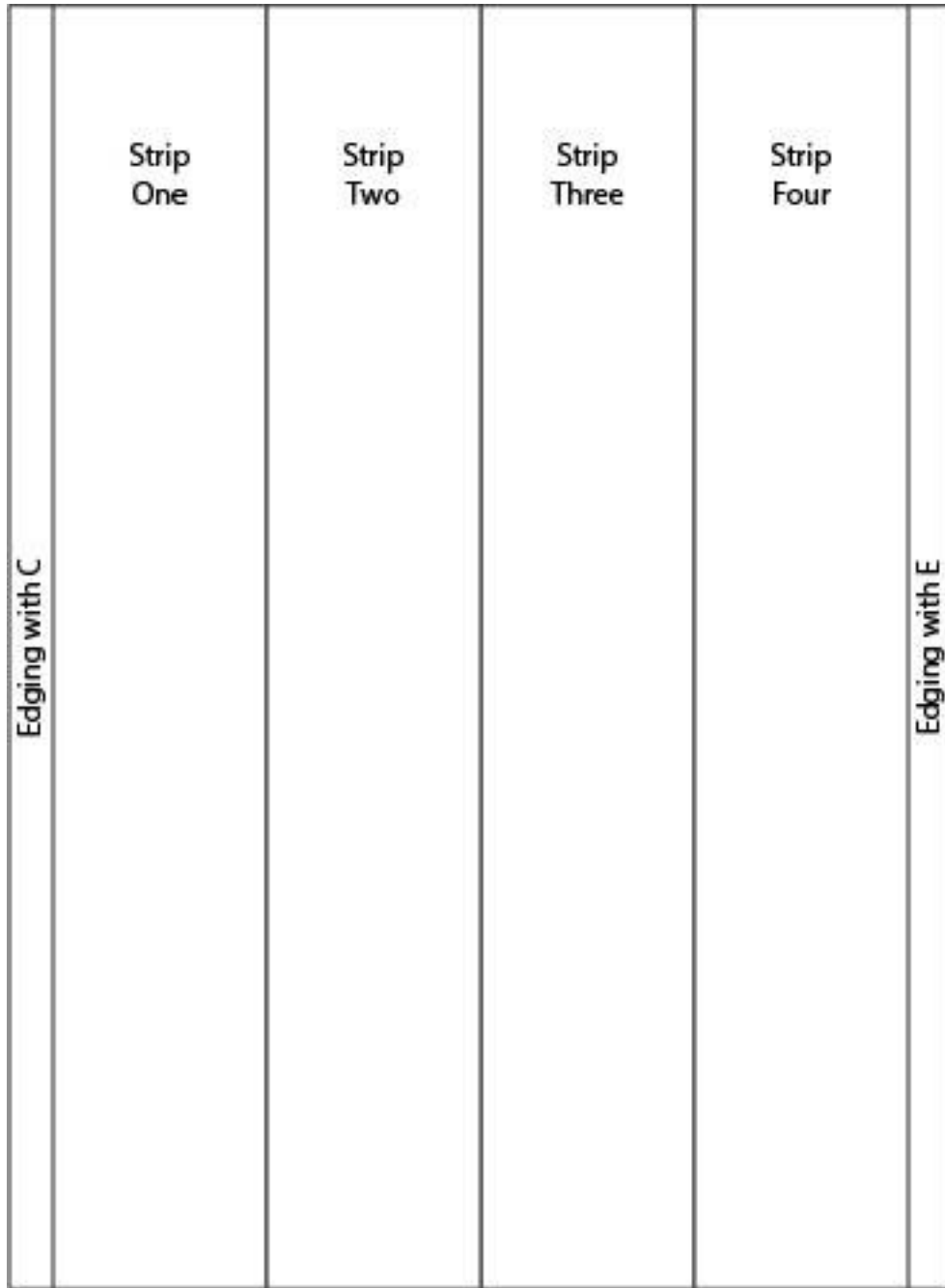
With E, work edging on opposite side edge of Afghan.

Weave in ends.

### **ABBREVIATIONS**

k = knit  
p = purl  
rep = repeat  
RS = right side  
st(s) = stitch(es)  
WS = wrong side

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Cast on Edge