



***Free Knitting Pattern***  
**Lion Brand® Mandala®**  
**Baby-Mandala®**  
**Sugar Rush Baby Afghan**  
Pattern Number: L80053  
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## **SKILL LEVEL – Easy**

### **SIZE**

About 30 x 30 in. (76 x 76 cm)

### **MATERIALS**

- Lion Brand® Mandala® Baby (Art. #526)
  - 207 Honey Dukes 1 cake (A)
- Lion Brand® Mandala® (Art. #525)
  - 225 Sprite 1 cake (B)
- Lion Brand® large-eyed blunt needle



### **ADDITIONAL MATERIALS**

Circular knitting needle size 5 (3.75 mm), 36 in. (91.5 cm) long

### **GAUGE**

19 sts + 32 rows = about 4 in. (10 cm) in Garter st (knit every st on every row).  
BE SURE TO CHECK YOUR GAUGE.

### **STITCH EXPLANATION**

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

### **NOTES**

1. Afghan is worked in two sections in Garter st (knit every st on every row).
2. The first section is worked with yarn A and shaped with increases and decreases.
3. The second section is worked with yarn B from stitches picked up along one edge of the first section.
4. The second section is shaped only with decreases.
5. On every row, the first st is slipped and the last st is purled to make a tidy edge. Slip the first st as if to purl or as if to knit, whichever look you prefer.
6. A circular needle is used to accommodate the number of sts. Work back and forth in rows on the circular needle just as if working on straight needles.

## **AFGHAN**

### **First Section**

With A, cast on 3 sts.

Knit one row.

**Set Up Row (RS):** Sl 1, kfb, p1 – you'll have 4 sts.

### **Increase section**

**Row 1:** Sl 1, k to last st, p1.

**Row 2:** Sl 1, k to last 2 sts, kfb, p1.

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Repeat Rows 1 and 2 of Increase section until you have a total of 96 sts.

### **Decrease section**

**Row 1:** Sl 1, k to last st, p1.

**Row 2:** Sl 1, k to last 3 sts, k2tog, p1 – you'll have 95 sts.

Repeat Rows 1 and 2 of Decrease section until you have 3 sts remaining.

**Last Row:** Sl 1, k2tog.

Bind off remaining 2 sts.

### **Second Section**

From RS with B, pick up and k203 sts evenly spaced along longest side of First Section.

To pick up 203 evenly spaced sts, divide the long side edge of the First section into 5 equal sections. Use pins or clips to mark the sections. Now, simply pick up 41 sts evenly spaced across the first section, 40 sts across the second section, and so on.

Knit one row.

**Next Row (RS):** Sl 1, k2tog, k to last st, p1.

Repeat last row until you have 3 sts remaining.

**Last Row:** Sl 1, k2tog.

Bind off remaining 2 sts.

### **FINISHING**

Weave in ends.

### **ABBREVIATIONS**

k = knit

k2tog = knit 2 stitches together

p = purl

RS = right side

sl = slip

st(s) = stitch(es)

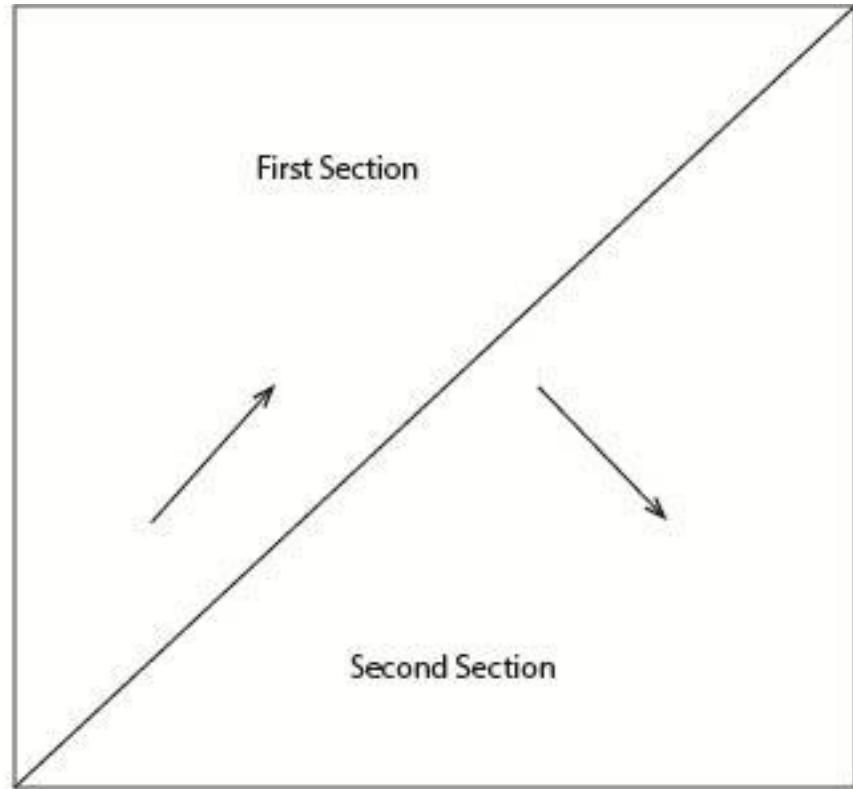
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