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MATERIALS

Bernat® Alize® Blanket-EZ™ (6.4 oz/180 g; 18 yds/16 m)

Main Color (MC) Cream (37013) **2 balls**

Contrast A Dark Gray (37014) **3 balls**

Contrast B Black (37015) **2 balls**

6 large safety pins.



CRAFT | SKILL LEVEL: **EXPERIENCED**

MEASUREMENT

Approximately 52" [132 cm] square.

INSTRUCTIONS

Notes:

- Right side of work is facing at all times.
- 'Working yarn' is held behind stitches throughout.
- Loops from working yarn are always pulled through stitches from back to front of work.

Strip One

With MC, count 11 loops for foundation row, noting yarn end is at far right and all loops are facing upwards.

1st row: Working from **left** to **right**, pull the 12th loop (from 'working yarn') up through 11th loop (last loop of foundation row) from behind to create a knit stitch. Pull next loop from working yarn up through next loop of foundation. Continue in this manner to end of row. **Do not** turn work. 11 stitches in row.

2nd row: Working from **right** to **left**, pull next loop from working yarn up from behind through last stitch worked on previous row. *Pull next loop from working yarn up from behind through next stitch. Repeat from * across to end of row. **Do not** turn.

3rd row: Working from **left** to **right**, pull next loop from working yarn up from behind through last stitch worked on previous row. *Pull next loop from working yarn up from behind through next stitch. Repeat from * across to end of row. **Do not** turn.

4th row: As 2nd row.
Repeat 3rd and 4th rows twice more, for a total of 8 rows worked. Cut thread at base of next loop (thread used to create the loop) to create a yarn 'tail'. You will now join A. Cut thread at base of first loop of A to create a yarn "tail". Tie tails of MC and A together, and weave in ends.

Continue with A, working as given for first 8 rows.

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Continue in this manner, working 8 rows with MC and 8 rows with A, until a total of 56 rows have been worked. **Do not** bind off. Leave stitches on safety pin to secure.

Strip Two

With A, count 11 loops for foundation row, noting yarn end is at far right and all loops are facing upwards.

1st row: Working from **left to right**, pull the 12th loop (from 'working yarn') up through 11th loop (last loop of foundation row) from behind to create a knit stitch. Pull next loop from working yarn up through next loop of foundation. Continue in this manner to last loop of foundation row. Place last loop of foundation row over far left loop of first row of Strip One; pull next loop from working yarn up through **both** loops. **Do not** turn work. 11 stitches in row.

2nd row: Working from **right to left**, pull next loop from working yarn up from behind through first loop of second row of Strip One **and** last stitch worked on previous row. *Pull next loop from working yarn up from behind through

next stitch. Repeat from * across to end of row. **Do not** turn.

3rd row: Working from **left to right**, pull next loop from working yarn up from behind through last stitch worked on previous row. *Pull next loop from working yarn up from behind through next stitch. Repeat from * to last loop. Pull next loop of working yarn up from behind through first loop of third row of Strip One and last loop of previous row. Do not turn. Continue in this manner, joining work in an ascending manner up left edge of Strip One, until 8 rows have been worked.

Cut thread at base of next loop (thread used to create the loop) to create a yarn 'tail'. You will now join B. Cut thread at base of first loop of B to create a yarn "tail". Tie tails of A and B together, and weave in ends.

Continue with B, working as given for first 8 rows.

Continue in this manner, working 8 rows with A and 8 rows with B, until a total of 56 rows have been worked. **Do not** bind off. Leave stitches on safety pin to secure.

Strips Three to Six

Following the color layout shown in Diagram on page 3, continue working as established for Strips Three to Six, joining sides of Strips as before and leaving stitches for each Strip on safety pin to secure.

Strip Seven

With MC, count 10 loops for foundation row, noting yarn end is at far right and all loops are facing upwards.

1st row: Working from **left to right**, pull the 11th loop (from 'working yarn') up through 10th loop (last loop of foundation row) from behind to create a knit stitch. Pull next loop from working yarn up through next loop of foundation. Continue in this manner to last loop of foundation row. Place last loop of foundation row over far left loop of first row of Strip Six; pull next loop from working yarn up through **both** loops. **Do not** turn work. 10 stitches in row.

2nd row: Working from **right to left**, pull next loop from working yarn up from behind through first loop of second row of Strip Six **and** last stitch worked on previous

row. *Pull next loop from working yarn up from behind through next stitch. Repeat from * across to end of row. **Do not** turn.

3rd row: Working from **left to right**, pull next loop from working yarn up from behind through last stitch worked on previous row.

*Pull next loop from working yarn up from behind through next stitch. Repeat from * to last loop. Pull next loop of working yarn up from behind through first loop of third row of Strip Six and last loop of previous row. **Do not** turn.

Continue in this manner, joining work in an ascending manner up left edge of Strip Six, until 8 rows have been worked.

Cut thread at base of next loop (thread used to create the loop) to create a yarn 'tail'. You will now join A. Cut thread at base of first loop of MC to create a yarn "tail". Tie tails of MC and A together, and weave in ends.

Continue with A, working as given for first 8 rows.

Continue in this manner, working 8 rows with MC and 8 rows with A, until a total of 56 rows have been worked. **Do not** bind off.

Bind off row: Working in **same direction as last row**, across all stitches from safety pins from all Strips, pull 2nd stitch through first stitch. Pull 3rd stitch through 2nd stitch. Pull 4th stitch through 3rd stitch. Continue in this manner to end of row. Cut last loop to create yarn 'tail'. Tie to secure and weave in ends.



MC	A	MC	A	MC	A	MC
A	B	A	B	A	B	A
MC	A	MC	A	MC	A	MC
A	B	A	B	A	B	A
MC	A	MC	A	MC	A	MC
A	B	A	B	A	B	A
MC	A	MC	A	MC	A	MC
Strip Seven	Strip Six	Strip Five	Strip Four	Strip Three	Strip Two	Strip One