# **My Favourite Blanket**



Welcome to My Favourite Blanket! I'm so excited to be sharing this design with you throughout 2023.

My hope is that this blanket will become your favourite too.

The blanket is worked in 12 sections. Each time we will be dyeing up yarns, and then knitting these yarns into the blanket.

All of the yarn colours are inspired by plants or trees that flower in each of the 12 months of the year.

If dyeing yarn isn't your thing, just go into your stash and pick 2 yarns you want to work with each time.

I can't wait to see all of your beautiful blankets!

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#### YARN

You will need  $24 \times 50g$  (200m per 50g) of fingering weight yarn.

The blanket has 12 sections. Each section uses  $2 \times 50g$  of yarn, held together.

#### NOTIONS

4.5 mm needles. I started with a 32 inch circular and moved to a 40 inch when the stitch count increased to require it.

Tapestry needle.

Lockable stitch marker/progress keeper.

#### **ABBREVIATIONS**

**k** - knit.

yo - yarn over.

**k2tog** - knit the next 2 stitches together.

**kfb** - knit into the front and then the back of the next stitch, increasing by 1 stitch.

**lod (lift over decrease)** - turn work and lift the final stitch over the other remaining stitch. Turn work back to right side and then knit the last stitch remaining through the back loop.

#### GAUGE

21 sts and 30 rows to 10 cm (4 inches) in garter stitch. 30 rows is 15 garter ridges. Gauge is not crucial for this design.

#### FINISHED DIMENSIONS

Width - 100 cm (39.5 inches). Length - 140 cm (55 inches).





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# CAST ON AND SECTION 1

Holding your chosen 2 yarns together and your 4.5mm needles, cast on 2 stitches. I use the long-tail cast on method.

## Set Up

Row 1 (RS) - kfb x 2 (4 sts). Row 2 - knit all stitches.

## Main Body

Row 1 (RS) - knit to the last stitch, kfb (5 sts)

Repeat row 1 until you have 116 stitches on your needle. You will end with a wrong side row.

I clip a marker to the front of my work, once I've knit enough to allow this.

You can now cut both yarns, but leave a tail of about 8 inches.

# **SECTION 2**

With your next 2 yarns, work the following -

Row 1 (RS) - knit to the last stitch, kfb (117 sts).

**Note** - on this first row, I like to knit the first 4 stitches with my previous yarns and then add in my new yarns and continue knitting. This is to ensure you have a nice neat edge to your blanket and it also makes weaving in tail ends easier.

Repeat row 1 until you have 166 stitches.

You can now cut both yarns, leaving a tail of about 8 inches.

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