

Half Square Triangle Blocks

The squares are knit diagonally, in garter stitch, the first half in one color and the second half in another, so they look like two triangles joined at the hypotenuse. Use superwash worsted weight yarns in two contrasting colors. This pattern is based on an original pattern by Kat Coyle (*Come Together*, free on Ravelry); it's been revised for worsted weight yarn and uses an easier increase.

You should end up with a 7"x7" square. You can be off by about 1/4" either way, but more than that makes it difficult to sew the squares together without bulges. If you are generally a gauge knitter, a US 7/4.5mm needle is what you'll probably want. If your square is too large, try a smaller size needle; if your square is too small, you may need to go up a needle size.

With color 1, cast on 2 sts.

Set up row: K1, YO, K1.

Increasing Row: K1, YO, knit to YO from previous row, knit the YO through the back loop (this twists the stitch and closes up the hole), K1. Repeat the Increasing Row until you have 46 stitches on the needle.

For the second half of square:

Break yarn color 1 leaving a 6 inch tail and start with color 2 (again leaving a 6 inch tail), knitting across all 46 stitches.

Decreasing Row: K1, k2tog, k to end.

Repeat the Decreasing Row until only 2 stitches remain, then K2tog. Fasten off, leaving a 6" tail.