

FLAG PRAYER CLOTH PATTERN
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Janie's Notes:

Instructions for W&T (wrap and turn) are on the next page. For accuracy, keep track of every row. Janie made a sheet of numbers 1 - 90. There are 90 rows to the pattern, then repeated. Due to serpentine twists, you can easily get confused, so Janie suggests checking off each row to know where row to begin next. For the prayer cloth she did 90 rows, plus added rows 1-15 again. All together there were 105 rows. If you desire the flag pattern, use the specified variegated red/white/blue yarn below – website is given to order. It's expensive, but one ball makes 6-7 prayer cloths.

Needles: 5 or 7

Yarn: 100 g balls

Schoeller – Stahl; Fortissimi Colori (Color is red/white/blue), Made in: Czech Republic

Click here for web site and yarn: http://www.yarndex.com/yarn.cfm?yarn_id=3525

Fortissima Socka Stars and Stripes" from Schoeller + Stahl is a fingering weight sock yarn, 75% wool and 25% nylon, that has different strands plied together to create the patriotic stars and stripes effect. Machine washable in cool temperatures.

Note: the yarn makes the stripes itself, less than 1 ball does it all. 1 Ball can make many Prayer Cloths
For striking flag effect: to start, begin with red. You may have to cut off beginning to get to the red.

Stitch: Garter stitch is used.

Loosely CO 42 sts

Rows 1-4: Sl 1, K to end of row
Row 5: Sl 1, K36, W&T, K to end of row
Row 6: Sl 1, K31, W&T, Knit to end of row
Row 7: Sl 1, K26, W&T, Knit to end of row
Row 8: Sl 1, K21, W&T, Knit to end of row
Row 9: Sl 1, K16, W&T, Knit to end of row
Row 10: Sl 1, K11, W&T, Knit to end of row
Row 11: Sl 1, K6, W&T, Knit to end of row

Rows 12-15: Sl 1, K to end of row

Row 16: Sl 1, K6, W&T, Knit to end of row
Row 17: Sl 1, K11, W&T, Knit to end of row
Row 18: Sl 1, K16, W&T, Knit to end of row
Row 19: Sl 1, K21, W&T, Knit to end of row
Row 20: Sl 1, K26, W&T, Knit to end of row
Row 21: Sl 1, K31, W&T, Knit to end of row
Row 22: Sl 1, K36, W&T, Knit to end of row
Row 23: Sl 1, K to end of row

Rows 24-45: Repeat rows 1-22

Rows 46-67: Repeat rows 1-22 again

Row 68: Sl 1, K to end of row

Rows 69-90: Repeat rows 1-22

Rows 91-105: Repeat rows 1-15 again.

BO loosely.



BELOW ARE TWO DIFFERENT INSTRUCTIONS FOR W&T:

1. Wrap and turn (W&T) - Bring yarn to front of work, slip st from LH needle onto RH needle, bring yarn to back of work, slip st back onto LH needle, turn.

2. Instructions for Wrap & Turn:

Short-rowing is the name used to describe where you turn your work in the course of knitting a row and work back. If you don't wrap the next st you inevitably end up with a very visible hole.

Here is how you do it:

Abbreviations:

P = Purl

K = Knit

Sl = Slip the next st Purlways

Method:

For Garter St:

K to the point where your pattern says to turn but don't turn the work yet.

Bring your yarn to the front of the work, Sl the next st from the left hand needle, take your yarn to the back of the work, Sl the st back to the left hand needle.

Turn your work. If you still have a visible hole you may work the wrap the same as for st st (instructions follow).

For Stocking St:

Wrap the st following the directions for garter stitch.

The next time you knit the wrapped st, knit the wrapped yarn along with the stitch it is wrapped around, thus:

Put the needle up through the wrap on the right side of the work, put the needle through the st (knitways if you are going to knit the st, purlways if you are going to purl the st), and K (or P) the two together.

For additional information go to:

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