

## Four Season Cabin Cloak



This is meant to be a leisurely knit; a knit you see evolve through colour. I hope that the names of the colours help you to reflect on different seasons and small pleasures as you snuggle up for winter crafting

### **Yarn**

- 24 20gm GOTS merino mini skeins by Natural Ewe
- one skein of 125g GOTS merino fingering weight yarn by Natural Ewe

*The minis in the original advent pattern were divided into 4 groups of 6 minis for the four seasons.*

Using one mini from each group in sequence ensures that each colour group is on the same side of the squares.

Each mini was used 3 times to ensure that there was an even distribution of the colour.

Using the right order of minis ensures that you don't run short of any one colour.

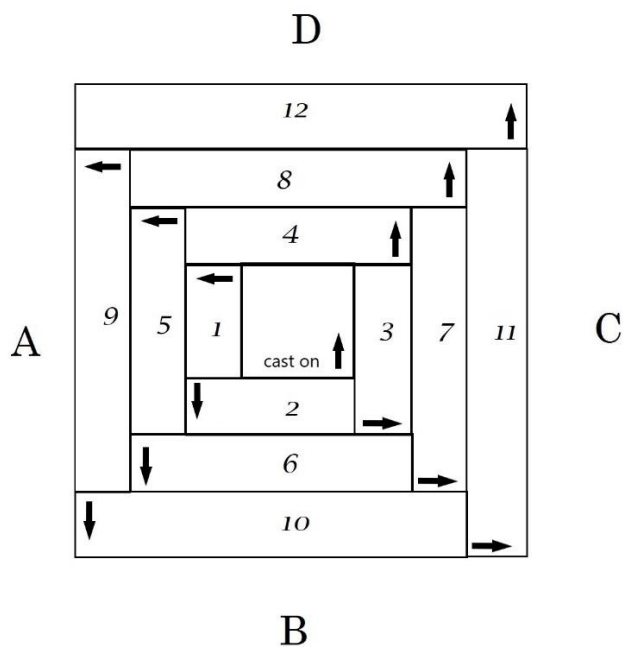
If you are using this pattern with your own minis be sure to order them in a fashion that pleases you. It is best to number them and keep track of the numbers for repeated use of each colour.

**Gauge** – 22 to 23 stitches for 4" unblocked, blocked to 20 stitches for 4" block

**Needles** – 4mm straight or short circular needles

You may need to adjust up or down a needle size to get gauge. Do not use a looser tension as you want to have the work stretched from blocking for the final result.

The squares of this pattern start at the centre – the cabin – and work out. The diagram is a visual guide to the layout of the logs of the square (the stripes of colour you knit):



***It is best, when finishing with a colour, to store it back in its numbered bag.*** Each colour is used multiple times.

The order of the colours gives an overall sequence to the sections of the squares.

**PATTERN – This is the pattern for one of 6 squares needed for both the wrap or a throw.**

Mark each of your squares so you know where to place each square when completing the finishing off. There is a diagram (page 5) which shows square placement.

### **Square #1**

#### **The Cabin-Centre of Square**

Cast on 20 stitches with main colour.

Row 1 (WS) Knit

Continue to knit for a total of 39 rows of garter stitch – knit every row. Each two rows will give you one garter “ridge”

Row 40 Cast off all stitches. Keep the last loop on your needle for the beginning of the first log. Cut yarn

**Log #1 (Stripe)** Turn the centre square one quarter turn, clockwise

With Mini #1 pick up 20 stitches along the side of the centre square. The 1<sup>st</sup> stitch should be right beside the

last stitch from the MC. Using the purl bump as a guide, insert your needle between 2 ridges, wrap yarn around the needle knitwise, and pull back through to front (RS). The last pick up should be right in the corner edge stitch (you may need to push through as it is quite tight).

Row 1 knit to last two stitches, K2tog. (The first picked up stitch and the loop from the last cast off colour)

Knit a total of 19 rows, creating 10 ridges. Cast off on Row 20 keeping the last stitch on your needle. Cut colour #1

**Log #2** Turn your work one quarter turn, clockwise.

With Mini #2 pick up a total of 30 stitches. Ten stitches in the side of Log #1 (one right beside the loop on your needle), 20 into the cast on row of the centre square.

Knit 19 rows. – (1<sup>st</sup> row remember to K to last 2 stitches and K2tog)

Cast off on Row 20 keeping the last loop on your needle. Cut Mini #2

**Log #3** Turn your work one quarter turn, clockwise.

With Mini #3 pick up a total of 30 stitches. Ten stitches in the side of Log #2 (one right beside the loop on your needle), 20 into the side of the centre square. Pick up between the garter ridges being sure to go under 2 strands and putting the last stitch in the very corner

Knit 19 rows. – (1<sup>st</sup> row remember to K to last 2 stitches and K2tog)

Cast off on Row 20 keeping the last loop on your needle. Cut Mini#3

**Log #4** Turn your work one quarter turn, clockwise.

With Mini #4 pick up a total of 40 stitches. Ten stitches in the side of Log #3 (one right beside the loop on your needle), 20 into the side of the centre square. Pick up between the garter ridges being sure to go under 2 strands and the last 10 stitches are picked up along the edge of Log #1. Be sure to put the last stitch right in the corner

Knit 19 rows. – (1<sup>st</sup> row remember to K to last 2 stitches and K2tog)

Cast off on Row 20 keeping the last loop on your needle. Cut Mini#4

Log #5 Turn your work one quarter turn, clockwise.

With Mini #5 pick up a total of 40 stitches. Ten stitches in the side of Log #4 (one right beside the loop on your needle), 20 into the top edge of log #1, and the last 10 stitches are picked up along the edge of Log #2. Be sure to put the last stitch right in the corner

Knit 19 rows. – (1<sup>st</sup> row remember to K to last 2 stitches and K2tog)

Cast off on Row 20 keeping the last loop on your needle. Cut Mini#5

Log #6 Turn your work one quarter turn, clockwise.

With Mini #6 pick up a total of 50 stitches. Ten stitches in the side of Log #5 (one right beside the loop on your needle), 30 into the top edge of log #2, and the last 10 stitches are picked up along the edge of Log #3. Be sure to put the last stitch right in the corner

Knit 19 rows. – (1<sup>st</sup> row remember to K to last 2 stitches and K2tog)

Cast off on Row 20 keeping the last loop on your needle. Cut Mini#6

Log #7 Turn your work one quarter turn, clockwise.

With Mini #7 pick up a total of 50 stitches. Ten stitches in the side of Log #6 (one right beside the loop on your needle), 30 into the top edge of log #3, and the last 10 stitches are picked up along the edge of Log #4. Be sure to put the last stitch right in the corner

Knit 19 rows. – (1<sup>st</sup> row remember to K to last 2 stitches and K2tog)

Cast off on Row 20 keeping the last loop on your needle. Cut Mini#5

Log #8 Turn your work one quarter turn, clockwise.

With Mini #8 pick up a total of 60 stitches. Ten stitches in the side of Log #7 (one right beside the loop on your needle), 40 into the top edge of log #4, and the last 10

stitches are picked up along the edge of Log #5. Be sure to put the last stitch right in the corner

Knit 19 rows. – (1<sup>st</sup> row remember to K to last 2 stitches and K2tog)

Cast off on Row 20 keeping the last loop on your needle. Cut Mini #8

Log #9 Turn your work one quarter turn, clockwise.

With Mini #9 pick up a total of 60 stitches. Ten stitches in the side of Log #8 (one right beside the loop on your needle), 40 into the top edge of log #5, and the last 10 stitches are picked up along the edge of Log #6. Be sure to put the last stitch right in the corner

Knit 19 rows. – (1<sup>st</sup> row remember to K to last 2 stitches and K2tog)

Cast off on Row 20 keeping the last loop on your needle. Cut Mini #9

Log #10 Turn your work one quarter turn, clockwise.

With Mini #10 pick up a total of 70 stitches. Ten stitches in the side of Log #9 (one right beside the loop on your needle), 50 into the top edge of log #6, and the last 10 stitches are picked up along the edge of Log #7. Be sure to put the last stitch right in the corner

Knit 19 rows. – (1<sup>st</sup> row remember to K to last 2 stitches and K2tog)

Cast off on Row 20 keeping the last loop on your needle. Cut Mini #10

Log #11 Turn your work one quarter turn, clockwise.

With Mini #11 pick up a total of 70 stitches. Ten stitches in the side of Log #10 (one right beside the loop on your needle), 50 into the top edge of log #7, and the last 10 stitches are picked up along the edge of Log #8. Be sure to put the last stitch right in the corner

Knit 19 rows. – (1<sup>st</sup> row remember to K to last 2 stitches and K2tog)

Cast off on Row 20 keeping the last loop on your needle. Cut Mini #11

Log #12 Turn your work one quarter turn, clockwise.

With Mini #12 pick up a total of 80 stitches. Ten stitches in the side of Log #11 (one right beside the loop on your needle), 60 into the top edge of log #8, and the last 10 stitches are picked up along the edge of Log #9. Be sure to put the last stitch right in the corner.

Knit 19 rows. – (1<sup>st</sup> row remember to K to last 2 stitches and K2tog)

Cast off on Row 20. Cut Mini #11 pull last loop through to secure your knitting.

**Border for square #1** – use the Main Colour for the border

The border is worked alongside D of this square. (the side you just completed)

Go back to the beginning of this side of the square pick up 80 stitches

Knit 15 rows, Cast off on row 16 . Cut your yarn and secure by pulling the loop out through the work.

### **Square #2**

Repeat the above square pattern using Mini #13 to #24 for all the coloured logs (1-12) Cut your last yarn colour and pull the loop through to secure your work.

### **Border for Square #2**

The border will be on side B and C of this square.

Start on the right side of B with the main colour. Pick up 70 stitches from the log #10 and ten from the side of log #11 for a total of 80 stitches.

Knit 15 rows, Cast off on row 16 leaving the last loop on your needle. Turn one quarter turn clockwise and pick up 88 stitches along the C side of the square. 8 from the side of the border log just knit, 70 from the top of log 11 and 10 from the side of log # 12.

Knit 15 rows, Cast off on row 16 cut your yarn and pull the last loop through to secure your work.

### **Square #3**

Repeat the above square pattern using Mini #5 to #16 to knit the main square

**Border for Square #3** – use the Main Colour for the border

The border is worked alongside D of this square. (The side you just completed)

Go back to the beginning of this side of the square pick up 80 stitches

Knit 15 rows, Cast off on row 16. Cut your yarn and secure by pulling the loop out through the work

### **Square #4**

Repeat the above square pattern using Mini #9 to #20

### **Border for square #4**

Use the main colour for the border

Turn one quarter turn clockwise after last log. This is the A side of the square (see diagram)

Pick up a total of 80 stitches, 10 from the side of log 12, 60 from the cast off edge of log #9 and 10 from the end of log #10. Knit 15 rows and cast off on row 16. You will have 8 garter ridges. Do NOT cut yarn.

Turn one quarter turn clockwise (this is the B side of the square) and pick up a total of 88 stitches. 8/70/10

Knit 15 rows of garter stitch

Cast off on row 16 cut yarn and pull last loop through to secure your knitting.

### **Square #5**

Repeat the above square pattern using Mini #17 to #24 And Mini #1 to #4

### **Border for Square #5**

The border will be on side B and C of this square.

Start on the right side of B with the main colour. Pick up 70 stitches from the log #10 and ten from the side of log #11 for a total of 80 stitches.

Knit 15 rows, Cast off on row 16 leaving the last loop on your needle. Turn one quarter turn clockwise and pick up 88 stitches. 8 from the side of the border log just

knit, 70 from the top of log #11 and 10 from the side of log # 12.

Knit 15 rows, Cast off on row 16 cut your yarn and pull the last loop through to secure your work

### **Square #6**

Repeat the above square pattern using Mini #21 to #24  
And Mini #1 to #8

### **Border for square #6**

Use the main colour for the border

Turn one quarter turn clockwise after last log. This is the A side of the square (see diagram)

Pick up a total of 80 stitches, 10 from the side of log #12, 60 from the cast off edge of log #9 and 10 from the end of log #10. Knit 15 rows and cast off on row 16. You will have 8 garter ridges. Do NOT cut yarn.

Turn one quarter turn clockwise (this is the B side of the square) and pick up a total of 88 stitches. 8/70/10

Knit 15 rows of garter stitch

Cast off on row 16 cut yarn and pull last loop through to secure your knitting.

### **Centre back section for Cloak**

This piece fits between the two back squares and half of the two centre squares (see diagram for placement)

Using MC, cast on 30 stitches and knit for 8 ridges (16 rows)

Change to contrast colours of your choice from remaining yarn and knit 10 ridges (20 rows) per colour, a total of 12 times. This will give you a 25.5 inch strip (when blocked) that starts at the back neck edge and goes down to the back border.

### **[If converting this to a throw]**

Cast on 20 stitches and knit a total of 8 ridges (16 rows) of the MC for the border.

Change to contrast colours of your choice from remaining yarn and knit 10 ridges (20 rows) per colour, a total of 24 times. End with a border in MC – knit 8 ridges (16 rows) and cast off.

### **ASSEMBLY OF CLOAK**

Following the placement of the squares as shown in the diagram, sew your squares together. Weave in all ends.

