## **No Sewing Blanket**

Using 4.00m needles and DK wool, cast on 41 stitches. Knit one row. Turn. The right side of the work is now facing you.

Knit 19, Slip 1 K1, pass slip stitch over, Knit 20 Knit 19, Slip 1 K1, pass slip stitch over, Knit 19

Knit 18, Slip 1 K1, pass slip stitch over, Knit 19

Knit 18, Slip 1 K1, pass slip stitch over, Knit 18

Continue in this way until 2 stitches remain, knit together and fasten off.

This is your first square and will be on the bottom left hand corner of the finished blanket with the line of knit 3 tog stitches going from bottom left to top right. (At this point, it's a good idea to put a marker on the front of the square for future reference!!! I use a safety pin so that I know which side is the FRONT! This means the diagonal lines will all go The Same Way (2))





To make the next square, cast on 21, preferably with thumb method, and, with the stitches on the right hand needle, pick up 20 stitches along the right hand side of the first square. (1st picture) Work the second square on these stitches.

Make as many squares as you need on the bottom row. To make the left hand square on the next row, pick up 20 stitches along the top of the first square then cast on 21 stitches, using a 'knitting on' technique so you are going left to right. (2nd picture) Work the square on these stitched.

For the next, and all subsequent squares on that row, pick up 20 stitches on the top of the square below, one stitch right in the corner and 20 stitches up the right hand side of the previous square.Make as many rows as you need to make the 36"x36" square plus border. Weave in as many ends

as you can while working, fasten off any remaining ends.

To finish it off really neatly, use a long double pointedg needle and pick up 20 sts along each square on one side. Knit 3 or 5 rows and cast off all but the last stitch. Pick up 3 or 5 sts along the side you have just knitted then 20 sts along each square on the next side and repeat. Do the same for the remaining two sides. Alternatively, I found it easier to crochet the edging.



The pictured blanket is 7 squares wide x 8 squares long.

You can cast on 61 stitches to make larger squares and then adjust the pattern accordingly - the squares are approximately 6" square and that works well too.