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Icelandic Baby Blanket



Sizes: Onesize

Gauge: 10 x 10 cm [4 x 4 inches] = 8 stitches x 20 rows in brioche stitch on 9 mm needles [US 13/UK 00].

Recommended needles: Circular needles: 9 mm [US 13/UK 00] (Length: 80/100 cm [32/40 inches]).

Yarn: 300 g Plötulopi by Ístex in color 1425 Pink (100 g = approx. 300 m [328 yds]). *Note:* Three strands are held together.

Description: A beautiful and warm baby blanket worked in brioche stitch. The brioche texture creates a lovely three-dimensional structure, making the blanket both extra warm and airy. It can be used as an additional insulating layer under the baby on the mattress, or as a cozy layer over the duvet. Perfect for the cold winter months.

Dear knitter – thank you so much for choosing to knit my Icelandic Baby Blanket. I hope you will be happy with the result, and that the blanket will bring both warmth and joy. If you enjoy my work, it would mean the world to me if you would like to support by spreading the word – share a photo, give a like, or leave a comment on my posts on Instagram. I truly appreciate it! You are also very welcome to explore my other patterns at www.fiskerknit.com.

Abbreviations:

st(s) = stitch(-es)

k = knit

RS = Right Side

ndl = needle

p = purl

WS = Wrong Side

Knitting techniques:

You can find my 3 video guides for the baby blanket – covering all the different steps and techniques in the pattern – at www.fiskerknit.com in the section with video guides.

Unspun yarn (Plötulopi): Unspun yarn is very fragile and breaks easily. Always handle the yarn gently. If it breaks, simply overlap the ends slightly and continue knitting. To knit with 2 strands from the same plate: Find one end in the center and one end on the outside of the skein.

Brioche stitch: Brioche stitch is worked the same way on both the right side and the wrong side, creating a beautiful, elastic, and voluminous texture. The technique is formed by combining knit stitches with stitches worked together with a yarn over. This results in a distinct three-dimensional surface that is both airy and warm.

Cast on:

Cast on 48 sts on a 9 mm [US 13/UK 00] circular ndl (80/100 cm [32/40 inches]), using edge stitches and Italian cast-on, as follows:

- Cast on 2 sts in the usual way.
- Cast on 44 sts using the Italian cast-on, starting with a knit st.
- Cast on 2 sts in the usual way.

Optionally, place a marker after the first 2 sts on the ndl and before the last 2 sts.

Now work 2 rows in double knitting, by repeating the following description twice:

Slip 2 sts purlwise with yarn in front, *k1, slip 1 st purlwise with yarn in front.*

Repeat from * to * until 2 sts remain, k2.

Blanket:

On the next row, establish the brioche sts as follows:

- Slip 2 sts purlwise with yarn in front.
- *k1, yarn over the right ndl and slip 1 st purlwise with yarn held in back.*

Repeat from * to * until 2 sts remain.

- k2.

Now continue working back and forth in brioche stitch (this is worked identically on RS and WS). For a neat edge, keep slipping the first 2 sts purlwise with yarn in front, and knit the last 2 sts, as follows:

Row 1: Slip 2 sts purlwise with yarn in front, *k1 together with its yarn-over, yarn over the right ndl and slip 1 st purlwise with yarn held in back.* Repeat from * to * until 2 sts remain, k2.

Continue back and forth in brioche stitch by repeating Row 1 until the piece measures approx. 80-85 cm [31¹/₂-33¹/₂ inches], or the desired length.

Finishing:

Work the next 2 rows in double knitting as at the beginning:

Row 2: Slip 2 sts purlwise with yarn in front, *k1 together with its yarn-over, slip 1 st purlwise with yarn in front.* Repeat from * to * until 2 sts remain, k2.

Row 3: Slip 2 sts purlwise with yarn in front, *k1, slip 1 st purlwise with yarn in front.* Repeat from * to * until 2 sts remain, k2.

Bind off using the Italian bind-off (or your preferred method). Bind off the first 2 sts and the last 2 sts of the row together as one st. Note that the Italian bind-off can be challenging with unspun yarn. You may want to reinforce the yarn by twisting or lightly felting it, or choose an alternative bind-off method.