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# Modular Pillow

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**SKILL LEVEL:**

**SIZE and MATERIALS:**

**Size:** 12" x 12" square

**Featured Yarn:** Schoppel Wolle *Ambiente*, 100% Superwash Merino Wool; 170 yds / 50g; three (3) balls. *Shown in Color #2208.*

**addi® Needles & Notions:**

3.75 mm (approx US 5) double pointed needles

3.75 mm (approx US 5) 32" circular needle

*or size needed to obtain gauge*

four (4) stitch markers; 12" invisible zipper; tapestry needle

*All yarn and needles distributed by skacel collection, Inc.*

**STITCH PATTERN:**

**Garner Stitch (in the round):** Alternate knit and purl rounds.

**Square:**

Using DPNs, CO 21 sts to each of 4 needles and join to work in the round, being careful not to twist sts. Place marker, to note the beg of round.

**Rnd 1:** Knit.

**Rnd 2:** P9, (S2KP, p18) 3x, S2KP, p9.

**Rnd 3 (and all subsequent odd rnds):** Knit.

**Rnd 4 (and all subsequent even rnds):** (Purl to 1 stitch before decrease, S2KP) 4x, purl to end of rnd. Rep Rnds 3 and 4 until 4 sts remain, cut yarn leaving a 6" tail. Using a tapestry needle, thread yarn through remaining sts twice, draw yarn through center opening to the WS.

**GAUGE:**

Small Squares for Pillow Front = 5" diagonally before blocking (6" diagonally after blocking).

*Note: Exact gauge is not critical, but finished size and yarn requirements are based on working to the recommended gauge.*

*To save time, check your gauge and read all instructions thoroughly before beginning.*

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## INSTRUCTIONS:

### Notes:

- This pillow is based on the blocks used in the **Modular Shawl with Ruffled Edges**, by Kathy Gometz.
- Like the shawl, the pillow front is worked in joined blocks using DPNs, and the back of the pillow is picked up and worked as one block on a circular needle.
- A knitted cast on is recommended, being sure to leave a 6" tail.
- In order to decrease in the center of each group of stitches (cleaner and easier), stitches for the new block are picked up beginning in the center of the previous block's edge, working into the first knit round of the previous block(s).
- Refer to the diagram for block placement and progression.

### Front:

#### Block 1:

Using DPNs, CO 21 sts to each needle for a total of 84 sts, then join to work in the round, being careful not to twist sts. PM to note beg of rnd. Work a Square.

#### Block 2:

With the first DPN, CO 10 sts, then with the RS of Block 1 facing, and working from right to left, PU 11 sts beg with the center stitch of the first S2KP); continuing with second DPN, PU 10 sts along the rem of the edge of Block 1 (the last st is picked up in the center stitch of the next S2KP), then CO 11 sts; with the third DPN, CO 21 sts; with the fourth DPN, CO 21 sts and place marker. Join, without twisting, to knit in the rnd.

Work a Square.

#### Blocks 3 & 4:

Pick up sts and work a Square as for Block 2, following diagram for placement of Block 4.

#### Block 5:

Using Diagram as a guide, hold Block 4 with the RS facing. Using the first DPN, working from right to left, and beg in the center of the edge, PU 11 sts along the edge of Block 4, placing the 11<sup>th</sup> st in the center of the S2KP stitch, then PU 10 sts from the edge of Block 2 (see Diagram). With the second DPN, PU 11 sts along the rem of the Block 2 edge, placing the 11<sup>th</sup> st in the center of the corner S2KP, then CO 10 sts. With the third DPN, CO 21 sts. With the fourth DPN, CO 11 sts, then PU 10 sts along the edge of Block 4 with the 1<sup>st</sup> st placed in the center of the S2KP, and place a marker to note the beg of the rnd. Work a Square.

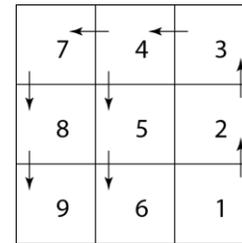
#### Block 6:

Pick up sts as for Block 4, but work along the edges of Blocks 5 and 1. Work a Square.

#### Blocks 7 - 9:

Work as for Blocks 4 - 6.

Diagram



### Back:

The Back is worked as one large square, with each edge matching up to each 3-block edge of the Front.

Switch to the circular needle and work as follows:

- With the RS of the pillow Front facing, and beg at the center edge of a center Square, PU 31 sts, placing the 31<sup>st</sup> stitch at the corner of the pillow Front, PM;
- along the next two edges, PU 63 sts, placing the 1<sup>st</sup> st at the first corner and the 63<sup>rd</sup> st at the next corner of the Front, PM;
- along the third edge, CO 63 sts rather than picking them up (this is the edge where the zipper will be sewn in), PM;
- working back along the first edge again, PU 32 sts, placing the 1<sup>st</sup> st at the last corner of the pillow Front.

Work a Square, dropping the markers when the decreases are well established.

### FINISHING:

Weave in all ends. Block to measurements.

### ABBREVIATIONS:

<b>approx</b>	approximate(ly)
<b>beg</b>	begin(ing)
<b>CO</b>	cast on
<b>DPN(s)</b>	Double Pointed Needle(s)
<b>k</b>	knit
<b>p</b>	purl
<b>PM</b>	Place Marker
<b>PU</b>	Pick Up
<b>rem</b>	remain(s) / remaining / remainder
<b>rnd(s)</b>	round(s)
<b>RS</b>	Right Side
<b>S2KP</b>	Slip 2 sts together as if to knit, knit next st, and then pass the 2 slipped sts over the st just knitted.
<b>st(s)</b>	stitch(es)
<b>WS</b>	Wrong Side
<b>x</b>	time(s)

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