SAMPLEacie Blankie ONLY

Even adults deserve a favorite blanket in which to cuddle and shut out the cares of the world! I am a firm believer that not all lace needs to be in tiny yarn on tiny needles. This beautiful and practical lace blanket is a perfect example of "moose lace", i.e. lace knitted in a large gauge in heavier yarn. The lace makes this blanket lighter in weight for its size.



Yarn and Needles

2400 yds DK or light worsted weight yarn.

Knitting needles in size US 8 (5 mm) or size to obtain planned gauge.

You can begin the blanket on straight needles or a 24" circular needle, but eventually you will need either one very long circular needle or several to work around the outer border panels. I used one 60" length circular needle as the blanket got larger.

For provisional cast on: size H or I (5 mm or 5.5 mm) crochet hook and smooth firmly twisted waste yarn (or whatever you use for your favorite method of provisionally casting on).

Gauge

3³/₄ stitches per inch over Center lace pattern.

Finished Size

84" by 56".

About the Pictured Models

Shown above is the original Lacie Blankie blanket in my 2-ply handspun Cotswold wool made for the Save the Sheep awareness project sponsored by Spin-Off magazine in 1999.

To test this pattern in a commercially available yarn, I used the lovely hand-dyed Judith alpaca yarn from Schaefer Yarns in the colorway Georgia O'Keeffe. This model is pictured on the back cover and in other detail photos that support the stitch instructions in this pattern.

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