

Alice's Embrace is devoted to providing hand-knit and hand-crocheted prayer shawls and lap blankets to those suffering from Alzheimer's disease. We seek volunteers to knit and crochet the patterns that we have created. Through the loving hands of many generous and talented people, this endeavor will help ease the anxiety that is often present in those suffering from the disease.

## Gifts

### Lap Blanket



**Skill Level:** 

**Size:** Approximately 30" x 40"

**Materials:** 1400 yards worsted weight yarn  
or 700 yards chunky weight yarn

**Needles:** US #13-24" circular needle

**Notions:** Right side marker, tapestry needle

**Gauge:** 12 stitches = 4" in garter stitch (knit every row)  
12 stitches = 4" in pattern stitch

#### Abbreviations:

k = knit

p = purl

sts = stitches

make knot = p3 tog leaving sts on left-hand needle, now knit them tog, then purl them tog again slipping sts off needle at end

**Note:**

If you are using worsted weight yarn you will be double stranding the yarn throughout the pattern. If using chunky yarn you will be using it single stranded throughout the pattern.

**The Pattern:**

Cast on 87 stitches

Starting Border: Knit 10 rows

Row 1: knit across row (placing marker on this row to denote right side of lap blanket)

Row 2: k5, p77, k5

Row 3: k6 \*make knot, k3; rep from \* to last 9 sts, make knot, k6

Row 4: k5, p77, k5

Row 5: knit across row

Row 6: k5, p77, k5

Row 7: k9, \*make knot, k3; rep from \* to last 6 sts, k6

Row 8: k5, p77, k5

Repeat Row 1-8 until lap blanket measures 38 inches from the cast on edge, after having just finished Row 8.

Ending Border: Knit 10 rows

**Finishing:**

Bind off loosely.

Weave in all ends.