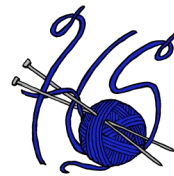


# FINISHING SCHOOL



## Homework Swatches

### Materials:

Yarn: Worsted weight 100% wool yarn (non-superwash).

Needles: US 8 (5.0mm) needles, or size to obtain gauge.

Notions: Tapestry needle, seaming yarn (contrast color is preferred).

### Gauge:

20sts = 4" in stockinette.

Note: DO NOT use slipped stitches at the selvedge edges. Do not weave in ends.

### Directions:

#### Swatches 1-3:

Knit three:

CO 15 sts. Work 5" in stockinette (knit RS rows, purl WS rows), ending with a WS row. BO in knit on RS.

Block.

#### Swatch 4:

CO 25 sts. Work 1" in stockinette, ending with a WS row.

Next Row (RS): BO 5 sts, knit to end. Purl one WS row. (20 sts)

Next Row (RS): BO 3 sts, knit to end. Purl one WS row. (17 sts)

Next Row (RS): BO 2 sts, knit to end. Purl one WS row. (15 sts)

Next Row (RS): K1, ssk, knit to end. (1 st decreased) Purl one WS row.

Repeat last two rows four more times. (10 sts)

Work in stockinette for 2" more, ending with a WS row. BO in knit on RS.

Block.

#### Swatches 5 and 6:

Knit two:

CO 25 sts. Work 2" in stockinette, ending with a WS row. BO in knit on RS.

Block.

### Blocking Directions:

Soak swatches in lukewarm water with a mild detergent or wool soap. When swatches have soaked until saturated, remove from water, rinse, and gently squeeze out excess water or roll in a towel. Lay swatches out flat on blocking surface, without stretching. Make sure swatches are square and even and that the edges are not curled under. Pin to shape and allow to dry.

(If not using recommended wool yarn, please follow care directions for the yarn you are using.)

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