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GEORGIA



Climbing Ivy

AFGHAN

Designed by Rena V. Stevens

Decorate a favorite reading corner of your living room, bedroom or study with this beautiful and intricate afghan.

EXTRAVAGANZA

Experience Level

Advanced****

Size

Approximately 70" x 80" with edging

Materials

- Worsted weight yarn: 44 oz royal blue (A), 28 oz off-white (B)
- Size 9 straight needles or size needed to obtain gauge
- Size 10½ straight needles
- Size H/8 crochet hook
- Size J/10 crochet hook
- Tapestry needle

Gauge

18 sts and 24 rows = 4"/10cm in St st with smaller ndls

To save time, take time to check gauge.

Pattern Note

Two panels each of Spiral Rib, Vertical Lace and Basket Weave designs are worked for afghan. Both panels of each design may be worked at once on the same needles, using a separate skein for each panel.

Special Abbreviations

LT (left twist): Skip 1 st, knit in back lp of 2nd st, then knit both sts tog tbl, sl both sts off ndl.

RT (right twist): K2tog, leave on ndl, insert

tip of right ndl bet sts, knit first st again, sl both sts off ndl.

Star St Panel

Make 1

With A and larger ndls, CO 44 sts, p 1 row.

Row 1 (RS): K1, *k3, pass first of the 3 knit sts over 2nd and 3rd sts, rep from * across, end k1.

Row 2: With B, p1, *[reinsert left ndl from behind under running thread bet st just worked and next st, p1], p2, rep from * across, end p1.

Row 3: With B, k2, *k3, pass first of the 3 k sts over 2nd and 3rd sts, rep from * across, end k1.

Row 4: With A, p2, *[insert left ndl from behind under running thread bet st just worked and next st, p1], p2, rep from * across.

Rep Rows 1–4 until panel meas 78". BO loosely. Weave in ends.

Spiral Rib Panel

Make 2

With A and larger ndls, CO 8.

Rows 1 & 3 (WS): Purl.

Row 2: K1, [RT] 3 times, k1.

Row 4: K2, [RT] 2 times, k2.

Rep Rows 1–4 until panel meas 78". BO loosely. Weave in ends.

Vertical Lace Panel

Make 2

With A and larger ndls, CO 32 sts.

Row 1 (RS): *P2, k2, yo, k2tog tbl, rep from * to last 2 sts, p2.

Row 2: *K2, p2, yo, p2tog, rep from * to last 2 sts, k2.

Rep Rows 1 and 2 until panel meas 78". BO loosely. Weave in ends.



Basket Weave Panel

Make 2

Note: Work patt loosely.

With A and larger ndls, CO 9 sts, p 1 row.

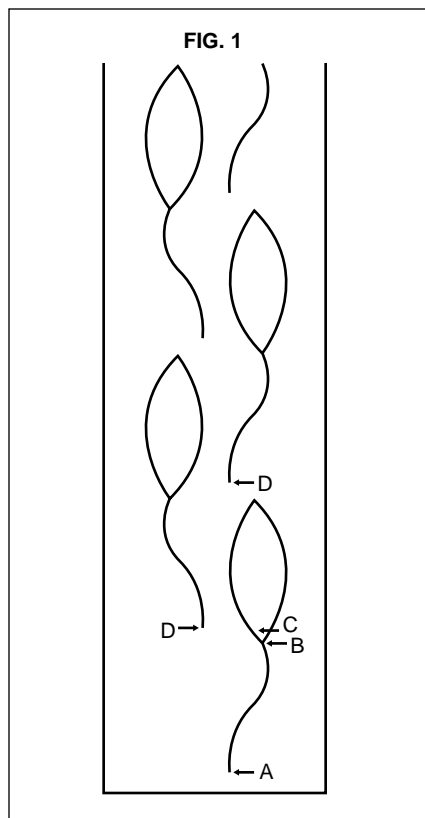
Row 1 (RS): K1, *yo, RT, rep from * across.

Row 2: P1, *p2tog, p1, rep from * across.

Row 3: LT, *yo, LT, rep from * across, end k1.

Row 4: P2, *p2tog, p1, rep from * across, end p1.

Rep Rows 1–4 until panel meas 78". BO loosely. Weave in ends.



Diagonal Ripple Panel

Make 2

With A and larger ndls, CO 34 sts.

Row 1 (WS): Purl.

Row 2: With B, k1, *sl1 wyib, k1, sl1 wyif, k1, rep from * across, end sl1 wyib.

Row 3: Sl1 wyif, *p1, sl1 wyib, p1, sl1 wyif, rep from * across, end p1.

Row 4: With A, k1, *k1, sl1 wyib, k1, sl1 wyif, rep from * across, end k1.

Row 5: P1, *sl1 wyib, p1, sl1 wyif, p1, rep from * across, end p1.

Row 6: With B, k1, *sl1 wyif, k1, sl1 wyib, k1, rep from * across, end sl1 wyif.

Row 7: Sl1 wyib, *p1, sl1 wyif, p1, sl1 wyib, rep from * across, end p1.

Row 8: With A, k1, *k1, sl1 wyif, k1, sl1 wyib, rep from * across, end k1.

Row 9: P1, *sl1 wyif, p1, sl1 wyib, p1, rep from * across, end p1.

Rep Rows 2–9 until panel meas 78". BO loosely. Weave in ends.

Alternating Leaf Panel

Make 2

Note: Yo by wrapping yarn over right ndl from front to back (in position ready to knit). Inc by purling in front and back of same st.

When changing colors, always drop old strand on WS of fabric, pick up next color from under dropped yarn to prevent holes. Hint: Cut 6–7-foot lengths of A for each leaf. Tie ends together when beg and ending leaves.

With B and smaller ndls, CO 13 sts.

Rows 1 & 3 (RS): P5, k1, p7.

Rows 2, 4, 6, 8 & 10: Knit.

Row 5: P3, p2tog, k1, inc 1, p6.

Row 7: P2, p2tog, k1, inc 1, p7.

Row 9: P3, k1, p9.

Row 11: With B, p3; with A, [k1, yo, k1] in next st; attach 2nd skein of B, p2, k1, p6.

Row 12: With B, k9; with A, p3; with B, k3.

Row 13: With B, p3; with A, k1, [yo, k1] 2 times; with B, p2, k1, p6.

Row 14: With B, k9; with A, p5; with B, k3.

Row 15: With B, p3; with A, k2, yo, k1, yo, k2; with B, p1, inc 1, p2tog, p4.

Row 16: With B, k9; with A, p7; with B, k3.

Row 17: With B, p3; with A, ssk, k3, k2tog; with B, p2, inc 1, k1, p2tog, p3.

Row 18: With B, k9; with A, p5; with B, k3.

Row 19: With B, p3; with A, ssk, k1, k2tog; with B, p3, inc 1, k1, p2tog, p2.

Row 20: With B, k9; with A, p3; with B, k3.

Row 21: With B, p3; with A, sl1, k2tog, pssso; cut 2nd strand of B, p5, k1, p3 with same strand used for beg of row; cut A.

Row 22: With B, k9, p1, k3.

Row 23: With B, p6, k1, p2; attach A, [k1, yo, k1] in next st; with 2nd skein of B, p3.

Row 24: With B, k3; with A, p3; with B, k9.

Row 25: With B, p6, k1, p2; with A, k1, [yo, k1] 2 times; with B, p3.

Row 26: With B, k3; with A, p5; with B, k9.

Row 27: With B, p4, p2tog, k1, inc 1, p1; with A, k2, yo, k1, yo, k2; with B, p3.

Row 28: With B, k3; with A, p7; with B, k9.

Row 29: With B, p3, p2tog, k1, inc 1, p2; with A, ssk, k3, k2tog; with B, p3.

Row 30: With B, k3; with A, p5; with B, k9.

Row 31: With B, p2, p2tog, k1, inc 1, p3; with A, ssk, k1, k2tog; with B, p3.

Row 32: With B, k3; with A, p3; with B, k9.

Row 33: With B, p3, k1, p5; with A, sl1, k2tog, pssso; cut 2nd strand of B, p3 with same strand used for beg of row; cut A.

Row 34: With B, k3, p1, k9.

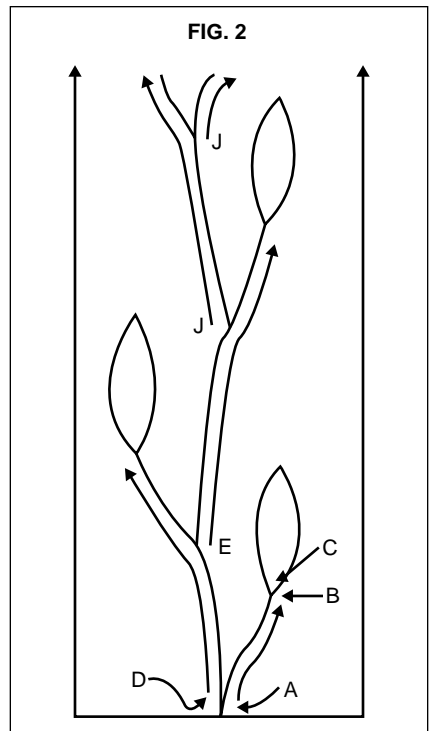
Rep Rows 11–34 for patt until panel meas 74"–75¾" before last rep of leaf (2 more complete leaves won't fit). When working last leaf, omit garter bumps and work background in reverse St st (p on RS rows, k on WS rows). After last leaf, continue in reverse St st with B until panel measures

78". BO and weave in ends.

Stems

Note: Refer to Fig. 1 while working stems.

With size H crochet hook and A, beg at bottom of panel, insert crochet hook from front to back through k1 st of Row 1 (point A), pull yarn through to form first lp of ch. *Work ch st in each row along garter st bumps, pulling yarn from back of panel, and being careful not to pull lps too snug. After working ch in last stem row (point B), pull up a lp about 1¼" long at front of panel, drop from hook. Insert hook from back to front through center st of 2nd row of leaf (point C), pull lp to back of panel, drop from hook. To start next stem, insert



hook from front to back through first k1 of next stem, pull tip of lp through and rep from *, being careful to adjust lp so it is not too tight or too loose. Continue to rep from * until each leaf has a stem. End last stem by working an extra ch at back to secure st, fasten off.

If crocheting has caused the panel to "shrink" to less than 78", hold top and bottom of each stem and stretch gently.

Leaf Vine Panel

Make 2

See Notes for Alternating Leaf Panel.

With smaller ndls and B, CO 19 sts.

FIG. 3
Assembly

Diagonal Ripple
Basketweave
Leaf Vine
Vertical Lace
Alternating Leaf
Spiral Rib
Star Stitch
Spiral Rib
Alternating Leaf
Vertical Lace
Leaf Vine
Basketweave
Diagonal Ripple

Row 1 (RS): P8, k2, p9.

Rows 2, 4, 6, 8 & 10: Knit.

Row 3: P6, p2tog, k1, yo, k1, p9.

Row 5: P5, p2tog, k1, inc 1, k1, p9.

Row 7: P4, p2tog, k1, inc 1, p1, k1, p9.

Row 9: P3, p2tog, k1, inc 1, p2, k1, p9.

Row 11: With B, p4; attach A, [k1, yo, k1] in next st; attach 2nd skein of B, p4, k1, p9.

Row 12: With B, k14; with A, p3; with B, k4.

Row 13: With B, p4; with A, k1, [yo, k1] twice; with B, p4, k1, p9.

Row 14: With B, k14; with A, p5; with B, k4.

Row 15: With B, p4; with A, k2, yo, k1, yo, k2; with B, p4, k1, M1 (lift strand bet the st just worked and the next st, k1b into this strand), p2tog, p7.

Row 16: With B, k14; with A, p7; with B, k4.

Row 17: With B, p4; with A, k3, yo, k1, yo, k3; with B, p4, k1, yo, k1, p2tog, p6.

Row 18: With B, k14; with A, p9; with B, k4.

Row 19: With B, p4; with A, ssk, k5, k2tog; with B, p4, k1, inc 1, k1, p2tog, p5.

Row 20: With B, k14; with A, p7; with B, k4.

Row 21: With B, p4; with A, ssk, k3, k2tog; with B, p4, k1, p1, inc 1, k1, p2tog, p4.

Row 22: With B, k14; with A, p5; with B, k4.

Row 23: With B, p4; with A, ssk, k1, k2tog; with B, p4, k1, p2, inc 1, k1, p2tog, p3.

Row 24: With B, k14; with A, p3; with B, k4.

Row 25: With B, p4; with A, sl1, k2tog, pssso; cut A; cut 2nd strand of B; with same strand used at beg of row, p4, k1, p4; attach A, [k1, yo, k1] in next st; attach another strand of B, p4.

Row 26: With B, k4; with A, p3; with B, k9, p1, k4.

Row 27: With B, p9, k1, p4; with A, k1, [yo, k1] twice; with B, p4.

Row 28: With B, k4; with A, p5; with B, k14.

Row 29: With B, p7, p2tog, M1, k1, p4; with A, k2, yo, k1, yo, k2; with B, p4.

Row 30: With B, k4; with A, p7; with B, k14.

Row 31: With B, p6, p2tog, k1, M1, k1, p4; with A, k3, yo, k1, yo, k3; with B, p4.

Row 32: With B, k4; with A, p9; with B, k14.

Row 33: With B, p5, p2tog, k1, inc 1, k1, p4; with A, ssk, k5, k2tog; with B, p4.

Row 34: With B, k4; with A, p7; with B, k14.

Row 35: With B, p4, p2tog, k1, inc 1, p1, k1, p4; with A, ssk, k3, k2tog; with B, p4.

Row 36: With B, k4; with A, p5; with B, k14.

Row 37: With B, p3, p2tog, k1, inc 1, p2, k1, p4; with A, ssk, k1, k2tog; with B, p4.

Row 38: With B, k4, cut and drop this strand; with A, p3, cut A, leaving a 6" end with which to finish leaf; with B, k14.

Row 39: With B, p4; attach A, [k1, yo, k1] in next st; attach B, p4, k1, p4; with 6" end of A, sl1, k2tog, pssso; with same strand of B, sl1, k2tog, pssso, p4.

Row 40: With B, k4, p1, k9; with A, p3; with B, p4.

Rep Rows 13–40 for patt until panel meas approximately 69½"–72½" *before* last 2 leaves (3 more complete leaves won't fit).

When working next-to-last leaf, continue working next garter st stem trail branching off from main trunk, omitting central main garter st trunk trail (omit k1 at center of panel on odd rows).

When working last leaf, continue to omit central k1 in odd rows for main trunk and also omit garter st trail for next stem; last leaf will be worked on background of

reverse St st only. After last leaf, continue reverse St st background until panel meas 78". BO loosely. Weave in ends.

Stems

Note: Refer to Fig. 2 while working stems.

With size H crochet hook and A, beg at bottom of panel. Insert crochet hook from front to back through first k st of Row 1 (point A). Pull yarn through to form first lp of ch. Pulling yarn through each row from back of panel, work ch st into each row along garter st stem trail to first leaf. After working last ch st into last stem trail row (point B), enlarge lp on hook slightly and drop from hook at front of panel. Insert hook from back to front through center st of 2nd row of leaf (1 row above base of leaf, point C) and pull dropped lp through to back of panel. Work 1 free ch st at back to secure stem, fasten off.

To start ch to the next leaf, insert the hook into first unworked row of the main trunk trail at the first junction (point E) and work in same manner as above. Continue until all garter st trails are worked. Weave in ends.

If crocheting has caused the panel to "shrink" to less than 78", hold top and bottom of each stem and stretch gently.

Finishing

Lightly steam-press any curling panels on WS (on leaf panels only, steam-press white edges next to leaves). Using tapestry ndl, sew panels tog as shown in Fig. 3.

Edging

With A and size J crochet hook, work 4 rows of sc around edges of afghan, putting 3 sc in 1 st at each corner. Fasten off; weave in ends. ♦

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