

# BASIC SQUARE KNITTING PATTERN INSTRUCTIONS FOR AN 8" SQUARE

This basic knitting pattern is great if you are learning to knit that uses the garter stitch. If you already knit, feel free to use your own pattern variations. For added warmth, we suggest that the finished result is dense without too many holes. What you need for this basic square knitting pattern

## Knit Square Plain Jane

- Light worsted yarn (American)/DK (UK)/8 ply (Aus), 100 grams (3.5 oz) in any combination of colors
- 4.50mm/US 7 needles, or size needed for your tension
- Yarn sewing needle

## Instructions

Cast on enough stitches to make 8" (20cm), which should be anywhere from 35 to 40 stitches. Try to make your stitches neither too loose nor too tight to help ensure uniform squares. This may vary slightly depending on your tension.

***Note:** Check your gauge (tension) after 3 or 4 rows. This will save you some frustration if the square is too wide or not wide enough. Adjust accordingly by starting with more or less stitches.*

**Row 1:** knit

**Row 2:** knit

It's that simple! Continue knitting rows 1 and 2 until your square is as long as it is wide.



To ensure your square is 8" (20cm), either use a tape measure or form a triangle by folding one corner of your square over to meet the opposite corner as shown – if all sides are equal then you have a square!

Cast off/bind off. Leave a 20" (50cm) tail (for sewing the squares together).

Butterfly the tail to the square.\* Sew in all other loose ends of yarn.  
If possible, also tie the squares into bundles of 5 or 10.

\* To "butterfly the tail," use contrasting yarn and follow these directions:

