

Homework for the Magical Class

YARN SELECTION

The 36" square blanket requires 2000 yards of DK weight yarn, but you do not need to bring all of it to class. Bring a minimum of **5 different colors of DK weight yarn**, in these amounts:

- » **100 yards** of your **dominant color** - choose either the lightest or darkest color in your collection
- » **40 yards each** of 4 additional colors

Use colored pencils to experiment with your color choices on the coloring page.

MAKE AN 8 POINT STAR

Before class, make one **8-Point Star** following these instructions. Refer to Figure 1 for clarify construction steps, and [use the linked video if needed](#).

Bring your completed 8-Point Star to class.

With US 5 or 6 needles, CO 8 sts.

Note: The CO is shown as unfilled semi-circles on Figure 1. The yellow filled semi-circle is the slip knot at the beginning of the CO.

Point 1 (Pt1)

Work [Pt] – 1 st rem.

Note: "Work [Pt]" means work the pattern stitch, abbreviated "PT," in the green box.

Note 2: The gray arrow is the direction in which the knitting grows, and the light blue numbers are the stitch count.

Point 2 (Pt2)

Starting at the red triangle on the corner of previous Point (P1), pick up and knit 7 sts to corner – 1 st on needle + 7 sts = 8 sts.

Note: The little triangles indicate the edge on which to perform the pu&k. The red is the starting point for the pu&k.

Work [Pt] – 1 st rem.

Points 3-8 (Pt3-Pt8)

Rep as for Point 2. Fasten off leaving 10"/25 cm tail.

Point (Pt) – 8 sts inc'ing to 14 sts dec'ing to 1 st

Row 2 (WS): Knit.

Row 3 (RS): Kf&b, knit to end – 1 st inc'd; 9 sts.

Row 4: Knit.

Row 5: Kf&b, knit to last st, kf&b – 2 sts inc'd; 11 sts.

Row 6: Knit.

Rows 7-10: Rep [Rows 3-6] – 3 sts inc'd; 14 sts.

Row 11: Kf&b, knit to last 2 sts, ssk.

Row 12: Knit.

Rows 13-20: Rep [Rows 11 & 12] 4 times.

BO all sts, leaving last st on needle.

Note: BO is shown as gray-filled semi circles in Figure 1.



Completed 8 Point Star. Pt1 is at 12 o'clock and Pt8 is at 1:30 p.m..

We will connect Pt1 and Pt8 in class..

Abbreviations

BO — bind off
CO — cast on
inc'd — increased
k — knit
kf&b — knit front & back
ssk - slip, slip, k2tog
though back loops
st(s) — stitch(es)
rem — remaining

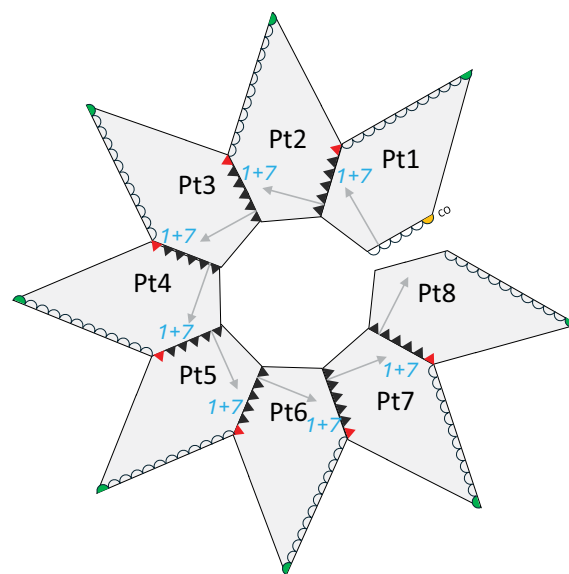
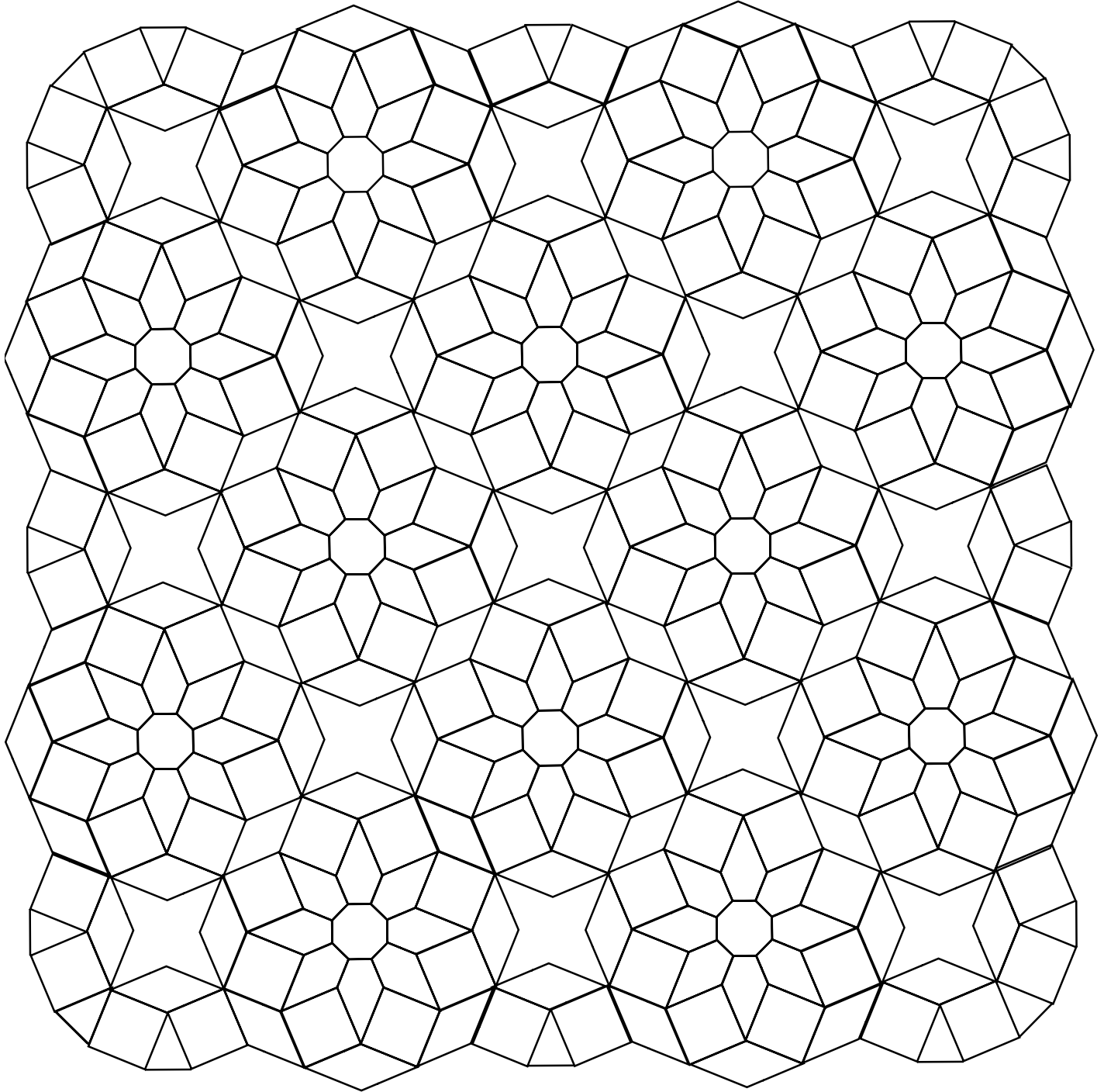


Figure 1: 8-Point Star Construction

Coloring Page for Magical Blanket, size Small (36" square)
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We made 2 samples of this blanket, the first with all diamonds in the dominant (dark) color, and the second with all 4-point stars in the dominant (dark) color. What ideas do you have? The first blanket was worked in Rowan Felted Tweed, DK which has muted colors. The second blanket was worked in Berroco, Vintage Baby, DK in highly saturated colors.