## "Quick to Knit" Chunky Blanket Knitting Pattern

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Sweater Weather is coming upon us and how do you stay warm? With a giant knitted sweater blanket of course! Most of us remember these from the couch at grandma's house when we were little. She'd sit there for days at a time crocheting these unforgettable blankets that were almost like wrapping yourself in a huge cocoon. You'd lay there on her couch sipping hot chocolate wrapped in your over-sized sweater blanket.

But these aren't just for grandma's house anymore. These blankets are perfect for dorms and apartments. Especially if you live in a cold area where you could be forced to stay in on a cold snow day. They're also good in Fall adding that classic

stereotypical Autumn feel. You know, where you sit by the fire on hay bales roasting marshmallows and wrapped up in a blanket with your significant other.

They add a quaint but simply elegant flair to any room, especially your bedrooms. If you're going for the old grandma's cottage look then these are just a must! They give the feel of a better day that has long passed where things were simple, clean and cozy. Are they hard to find? Of course not! You could find them at flea markets, antique stores, craft shows, and even Amish stores. But if it comes down to it and you can't find one you like, you could always make your own. It's a long process, but it'll be all worth it when Winter gets here! Now to just get my coffee cup, a good book and my chunky sweater blanket!

If you'd like to buy such a sweater blanket for kids, click the following amazon link:



## UPDATE:

Maria McClean, was kind enough to share her chunky blanket knitting pattern with all the knitters out there that would like to replicate this design. Read on below for Maria's pattern. Thanks, Maria!

Giant Cabled Throw

This Throw is a pattern of 8 rows that are repeated till you reach your desired length. Row 3 and row 7 are the rows that you make your cable on.

"This pattern is not exactly the Throw on this site, but my version of it.

Needle size- 17 us

Super chunky yarn at least 4, depending on size of skein

Gauge 10 sts in stockinet = 6"

Cast on 81

Row 1- Right Side. P3, K6, P4, K9, P4, K6, P4, K9, P4, K6, P4, K9, P4, K6, P3. (RS)

Row 2-Wrong Side. Purl the purls and knit the knits.

Row 3- Cable Row. Detailed directions...

In the Cable Row always just purl the purls, and follow directions below for the knits.

First set of knits (6 knits), slip 2 to cable needle and hold to front of work, then knit 2 sts, then knit sts on cable needle and then knit remaining 2 sts. Second Set of Knits (9 knits), slip 3 to cable needle and hold to front of work, then knit 3 sts, then

knit sts on cable needle, then knit remaining 3 sts. The pattern continues this way holding cable sts to the front or to the back, till you get to the end

of row. There are 7 sets of knit sts in a cable row, for easy of reading I'm going to put them in a pattern

Follow Pattern A for Row3, and Pattern B for Row7.

## Pattern A (row 3) 1st set of 2 knits- slip 2, hold to front

2nd set of 3 knits slip 3 hold to front 3rd set of 2 knits-slip 2 hold to back 4th set of 3 knits-slip 3 hold to back 5th set of 2 knits-slip 2 hold to front 6th set of 3 knits-slip3 hold to front 7th set of 2 knits-slip 2 hold to back Pattern B (row 7)

## 1st set of 2 knits- slip 2 hold to back

2nd set of 3 knits-slip 3 hold to back 3rd set of 2 knits-slip 2 hold to front 4th set of 3 knits - slip 3 hold to front 5t set of 2 knits – slip 2 hold to back 6th set of 3 knits – slip 3 hold to back 7th set of 2 knits – slip 2 hold to front All other rows you just knit the knits and purl the purls.

That is the whole pattern. Pay close attention when you're in a cable row, or your cables won't turn out.

Good luck knitters,

Maria McClean"







