



# Building Forts

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## MATERIALS

**Yarn:** Worsted weight yarn

⇒ 240 (750, 1250, 2050, 2900) yd.

⇒ 220 (685, 1145, 1875, 2650) m

**Needles:** US 7 / 4.5 mm

**Notions:** Stitch markers, and a tapestry needle for weaving ends.

## GAUGE

20 stitches and 28 rows to 4 inches in seed stitch

## SIZES

Lovie (stroller, crib, throw, afghan)

## FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

⇒ 16 x 16 (25 x 32, 34 x 42, 42.5 x 55, 51.5 x 65) in

⇒ 40 x 40 (63.5 x 81, 86 x 107, 108 x 140, 131 x 165) cm

## NOTES

- ⇒ Building Forts is entirely reversible.
- ⇒ When working “Main Body” section, it is helpful to place stitch markers between the Seed stitch edging and the Building Forts motif.
- ⇒ When working the “Main Body” section, maintain the seed stitch edging as follows: **(RS and WS):** k1, (p1, k1) 3 times, work Building Forts motif to last 7 sts, k1, (p1, k1) 3 times.

## ABBREVIATIONS

**k:** knit

**p:** purl

**rep:** repeat

**sts:** stitches



## BUILDING FORTS INSTRUCTIONS

### Bottom Border

Using the cable method, cast on 81 (125, 169, 213, 257) sts.

Work 8 rows in Seed stitch as follows:

**Row 1 (RS):** k1, \*p1, k1; rep from \* to end.

**Row 2:** as row 1.

Repeat last 2 rows 3 times more. (8 rows total)

### Main Body

Continue working first and last 7 sts in Seed st as established (see Notes). **AT THE SAME TIME**, following either charted or written instructions, work center 67 (111, 155, 199, 243) sts in Building Forts motif repeating rows 1—14 until blanket measures approximately 15 (31, 41, 54, 64) in / 38 (79, 104, 137, 162) cm from cast on edge. End having worked row 2.

### Top Border

Working across all 81 (125, 169, 213, 257) sts, work 8 rows in Seed stitch as follows:

**Row 1 (RS):** k1, \*p1, k1; rep from \* to end.

**Row 2:** as row 1.

Repeat last 2 rows 3 times more. (8 rows total)

**(RS)** Bind off in Seed stitch.

## FINISHING

Weave in loose ends. Wash and block pinning carefully.

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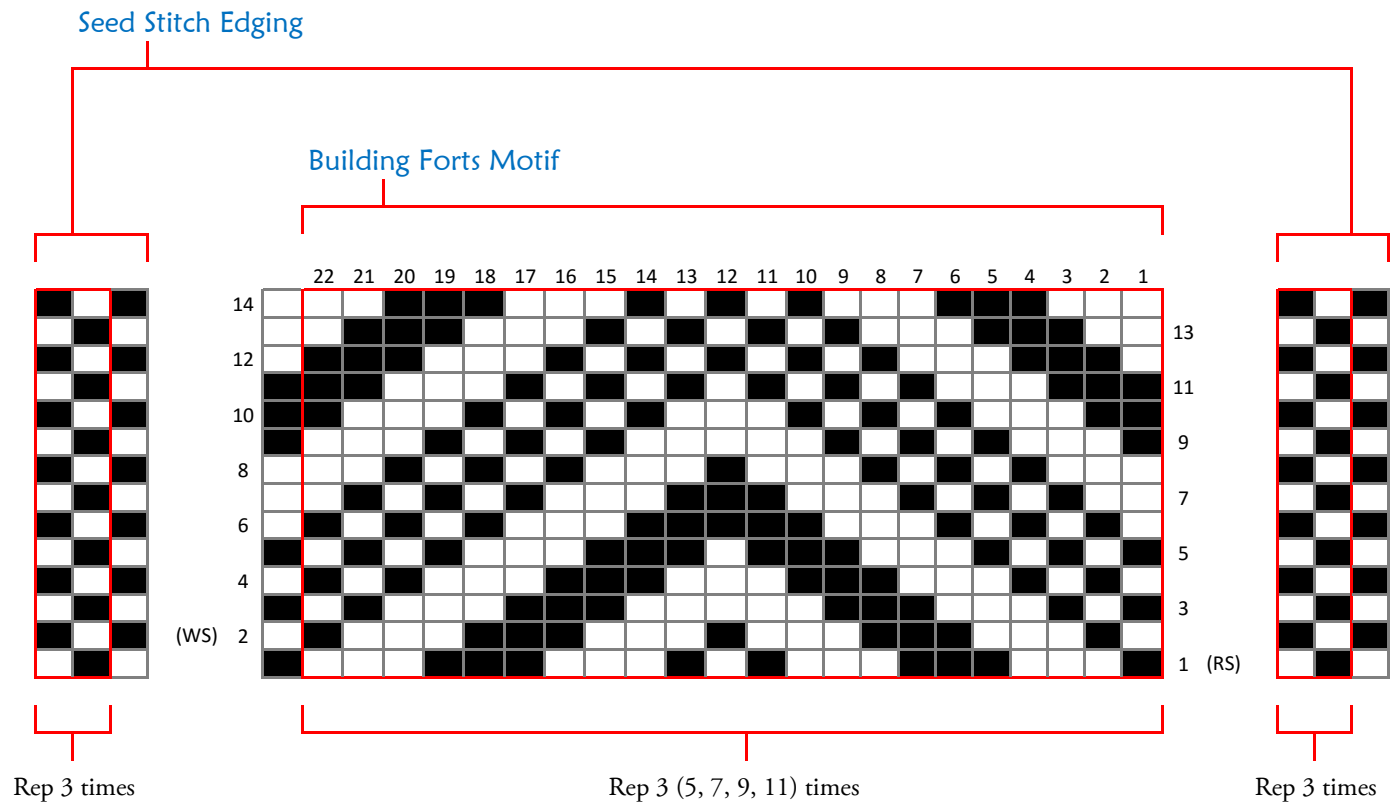
## BUILDING FORTS MOTIF | Charted Instructions

About this Chart:

Read all right side rows from right to left. Read all wrong side rows left to right.



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### LEGEND

□ knit on right side, purl on wrong side      ■ purl on right side, knit on wrong side

## BUILDING FORTS MOTIF | Written Instructions

**Row 1 (RS):** \*p1, k3, p3, k3, (p1, k1) 2 times, k2, p3, k3; rep from \* to last st, p1.

**Row 2:** p1, \*k1, (p3, k3, p3, k1) twice, p1; rep from \* to end.

**Row 3:** \*(p1, k1) twice, k2, p3, k5, p3, k3, p1, k1; rep from \* to last st, p1.

**Row 4:** p1, \*(k1, p1) twice, p2, (k3, p3) twice, (k1, p1) twice; rep from \* to end.

**Row 5:** \*(p1, k1) 3 times, k2, p3, k1, p3, k3, (p1, k1) twice; rep from \* to last st, p1.

**Row 6:** p1, \*(k1, p1) 3 times, p2, k5, p3, (k1, p1) 3 times; rep from \* to end.

**Row 7:** \*k2, (p1, k1) 3 times, k2, p3, k3, (p1, k1) 3 times; rep from \* to last st, k1.

**Row 8:** p1, \*p2, (k1, p1) 3 times, p2, k1, p3, (k1, p1) 3 times, k2; rep from \* to end.

**Row 9:** \*p1, k3, (p1, k1) twice, p1, k5, (p1, k1) twice, p1, k3; rep from \* to last st, p1.

**Row 10:** k1, \*k1, p3, (k1, p1) 3 times, p2, (k1, p1) 3 times, p2, k2; rep from \* to end.

**Row 11:** \*p3, k3, (p1, k1) 6 times, k2, p2; rep from \* to last st, p1.

**Row 12:** p1, \*k3, p3, (k1, p1) 5 times, p2, k3, p1; rep from \* to end.

**Row 13:** \*k2, p3, k3, (p1, k1) 4 times, k2, p3, k1; rep from \* to last st, k1.

**Row 14:** p1, \*p2, k3, p3, (k1, p1) 3 times, p2, k3, p3; rep from \* to end.

