

Sun-ray Square - June

I will admit that I am a lace nerd which makes this my favourite square so far. I can see me making a whole blanket out of this square. One where every square is made with different coloured edges and maybe even different coloured centers. Knit in sunny summer colours, I can see it in my minds eye – sometime in the future when there is more time and less ideas!

This square is knit from the center out and starts with a pinhole cast-on. If you don't know how to work a pinhole cast-on – try out Tin Can Knits version.

[Pinhole Cast-on – tin can knits](#)

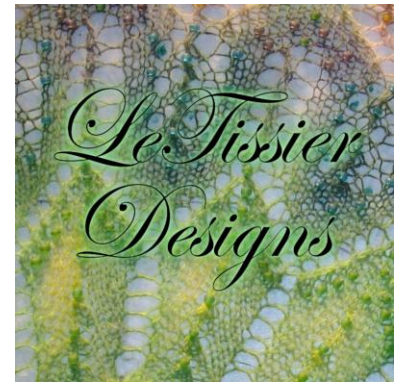
Or mine <https://letissierdesigns96822434.wordpress.com/2024/09/15/circular-cast-ons/>

Materials: 4.5mm US #7 dpns plus a 40cm 16in circ and a 60cm 24in circ; 4.0mm straight metal crochet hook (for the pinhole cast-on); 35grams of worsted yarn in 2 colours (sample was knit with Cascade 220); markers, and the regular notions.

Gauge: 16 sts in 4 inches in lace knit in the round and blocked.

Size: 10 inches square after blocking

Abbreviations: **s1** – slip 1 st. **pm** – place marker. **slm** – slip marker. **YO** – yarn over. **YO twice** – wrap the yarn twice around the needle. **K2tog** – Knit 2 sts together. **SSK** – slip the next 2 sts knitwise (one at a time), then insert the left needle across the front of your 2 slipped sts and knit them together. **S2KP** – Slip 2 sts knitwise (as a unit), K1, Pass the 2 slipped sts over the knit st as a unit. **M1 – (Make 1)** lift the running yarn between the stitch just knit and the next stitch onto the left-hand needle and then knit into the back of the yarn to close the loop and make a new st. **WS** – wrong side. **RS** – right side.



Pattern

Starting with a pinhole cast-on cast-on 8 sts. Alternatively cast-on 8 sts and join into a round. You can gather up and tighten the sts later.

Knit 1 round.

Start working from the written or Charted instructions.

Written Square Rays

Round 1: (K tbl, yo, k tbl) 4 times. (12 sts)

Round 2: (K tbl, k1, k tbl) 4 times.

Round 3: (K tbl, yo, k1, yo, k tbl) 4 times. (20 sts)

Round 4: (K tbl, k3, k tbl) 4 times.

Round 5: (K tbl, yo, k3, yo, k tbl) 4 times. (28 sts)

Round 6: (K tbl, k5, k tbl) 4 times.

Round 7: (K tbl, yo, k5, yo, k tbl) 4 times. (36 sts)

Round 8: (K tbl, k7, k tbl) 4 times.

Round 9: (K tbl, yo, k1, k2tog, yo, k1, yo, ssk, k1, yo, k tbl) 4 times. (44 sts)

Round 10: (K tbl, k9, k tbl) 4 times.

Round 11: (K tbl, yo, k1, k2tog, yo, k3, yo, ssk, k1, yo, k tbl) 4 times. (52 sts)

Round 12: (K tbl, k11, k tbl) 4 times.

Round 13: (K tbl, yo, k3, yo, k5, yo, k3, yo, k tbl) 4 times. (68 sts)

Round 14: (K tbl, k15, k tbl) 4 times.

Round 15: (K tbl, yo, k2, (k2tog, yo, k1) × 2, yo, ssk, k1, yo, ssk, k2, yo, k tbl) 4 times. (76 sts)

Round 16: (K tbl, k17, k tbl) 4 times.

Round 17: (K tbl, yo, k2, k2tog, yo, k1, k2tog, yo, k3, yo, ssk, k1, yo, ssk, k2, yo, k tbl) 4 times. (84 sts)

Round 18: (K tbl, k19, k tbl) 4 times.

Round 19: (K tbl, yo, k2, k2tog, yo, k1, k2tog, yo, k5, yo, ssk, k1, yo, ssk, k2, yo, k tbl) 4 times. (92 sts)

Round 20: (K tbl, k21, k tbl) 4 times.

Round 21: (K tbl, yo, k2, k2tog, (yo, k3) × 2, yo, k1, (yo, k3) × 2, yo, ssk, k2, yo, k tbl) 4 times. (116 sts)

Round 22: (K tbl, k27, k tbl) 4 times.

Round 23: (K tbl, (yo, k2, k2tog) × 3, yo twice, sl2, k1, p2sso, yo twice, (ssk, k2, yo) × 3, k tbl) 4 times. (124 sts)

Round 24: (K tbl, k29, k tbl) 4 times.

Round 25: (K tbl, (yo, k2, k2tog) × 2, yo, k3, k2tog, yo twice, sl2, k1, p2sso, yo twice, ssk, k3, (yo, ssk, k2) × 2, yo, k tbl) 4 times. (132 sts)

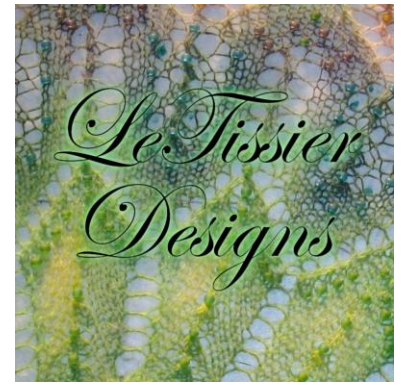
Round 26: (K tbl, k31, k tbl) 4 times. (132 sts)

Round 27: (K tbl, (yo, k2, k2tog) × 2, yo, k4, ssk, yo twice, sl2, k1, p2sso, yo twice, k2tog, k4, (yo, ssk, k2) × 2, yo, k tbl) 4 times. (140 sts)

Round 28: (K tbl, k33, k tbl) 4 times. (140 sts)

Round 29: (K tbl, m1, k33, m1, k tbl) 4 times. (148 sts)

Round 30: (K tbl, p35, k tbl) 4 times. (148 sts)



Round 31: (K tbl, m1, k35, m1, k tbl) 4 times. (156 sts)

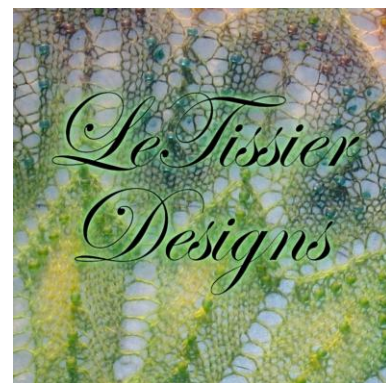
Round 32: (K tbl, p37, k tbl) 4 times. (156 sts)

If working from the chart, repeat the chart 4 times for each round.

Finishing

Bind-off in loosely in knit. If you know that your bind-off is on the tight side work the bind-off in a size larger needle.

Square should be a little small and will need to be blocked to size.



Use the Code – SHADOW – to purchase the Rain Shadow Shawl when it releases later this month.

