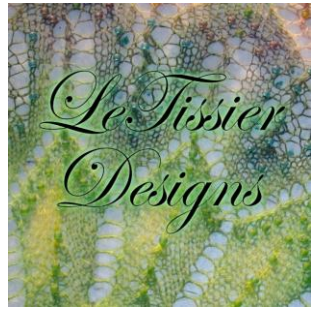


Autumn Orchard



This square is based on a memory of mine. A moment frozen in time from when I was only 13 years old.

I was on my way to school in the early fall and I cut through an orchard, just after the first heavy frost. It was amazing, the grass crunched, the remaining leaves and apples were frost rimmed. And I remember picking an apple – and the first bite was so sweet and juicy – I had never tasted anything so fine. I learned later that cold and frost can intensify the sweetness of some fruits, they are often referred to as frostbitten.

I have embellished the trees with a few fall leaves and late apples. The tree is striking without the embellishments as well.

This square must be blocked to size.

Materials:

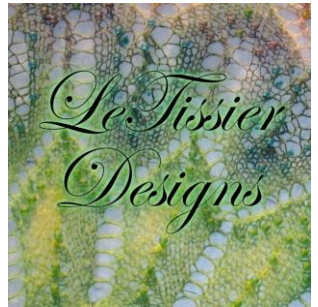
- 4.5mm US #7 circls or straights,
- 2.0mm US #0 dpns (2) – for leaf embellishments.
- approx. 80m 88 yds of worsted weight yarn, sample was knit with Cascade 220,
- scraps of fingering weight yarns in Autumn colours,
- cable needle or hook,
- blunt needle for finishing,
- scissors.

Size: 10 x 10 inch 25 x 25 cm square – after blocking

Abbreviations:

- **K** – knit.
- **P** – purl
- **RS** – right side

- **WS** – wrong side
- **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
- **K tbl** – knit 1 st through the back of the loop
- **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.
- **K1b&f** – knit into the front loop of the next st and then knit into the back loop of the same st
- **S2KP2** – slip the next 2 sts together knitwise as if to K2tog, K1, pass both slipped sts together over the knitted st



Cable Techniques: involves moving knit sts over knit sts

1/1 LC – 2 st cable cross

- **(no cable needle required)** – knit into the back of the 2nd st on the LH needle, do not slip sts off of LH needle and then knit into the front of the 1st st on the LH needle, slip both sts off of the LH needle.
- **(with cable needle)** – slip 1 st onto cable needle and hold to the front of the work, K1 from LH needle and then K1 from cable needle.

1/1 RC – 2 st cable cross

- **(no cable needle required)** – knit into the 2nd st on the LH needle, do not slip sts off of LH needle and then knit into the 1st st on the LH needle, slip both sts off of the LH needle.
- **(with cable needle)** – slip 1 st on to cable needle and hold to the back of the work, k1 from LH needle and then K1 from cable needle.

2/2 LC – 4 st cable cross – slip next 2 sts onto a cable needle and hold at front of work, knit the next 2 sts from the LH needle, then knit the sts from the cable needle.

2/2 RC – 4 st cable cross – slip next 2 sts onto a cable needle and hold at back of work, knit next 2 sts from LH needle, then knit the sts from the cable needle.

Travelling Stitches: involves moving knit sts over purl sts

1/1 LPC – (1 st moves to the left) slip next st onto a cable needle and hold at the front, purl next st and then knit the st from the cable needle.

1/1 RPC – (1 st moves to the right) slip next st onto cable needle and hold at the back, knit next st, P1 st from cable needle.

2/1 LPC – (2 sts move to the left) slip next 2 sts onto a cable needle and hold at the front, purl next st and then knit the 2 sts from the cable needle.

2/1 RPC – (2 sts move to the right) slip next st onto cable needle and hold at the back, knit next 2 sts, P1 st from cable needle.

2/2 LPC – (2 sts move to the left) slip next 2 sts onto a cable needle and hold at the front, purl next 2 sts and then knit the 2 sts from the cable needle.

2/2 RPC – (2 sts move to the right) slip next 2 sts onto cable needle and hold at the back, knit next 2 sts, P2 sts from cable needle.

Pattern

First knit the square and then add the embellishments if desired.

Working with 4.5mm needle cast-on 46 sts. Commence working from chart or written instructions.

Note – when working from the chart read RS rows from right to left and WS rows from left to right.

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Row 1 (RS): Knit. (46 sts)

Row 2 (WS): K15, p4, k8, p4, k15.

Row 3: Knit.

Row 4: Repeat row 2.

Row 5: K3, p12, k4, p8, k4, p12, k3.

Rows 6 - 11: Repeat rows 4 - 5.

Row 12: Repeat row 2.

Row 13: K3, p12, k1, 1/1 RC, k1, p8, k1, 1/1 LC, k1, p12, k3.

Row 14: Repeat row 2.

Row 15: K3, p12, k1, 1/1 LC, k1, p8, k1, 1/1 RC, k1, p12, k3.

Row 16: Repeat row 2.

Row 17: K3, p12, m1, k4, p8, k4, m1, p12, k3. (48 sts)

Row 18: K15, p5, k8, p5, k15.

Row 19: K3, p12, k1, m1, k4, p8, k4, m1, k1, p12, k3. (50 sts)

Row 20: K15, p6, k8, p6, k15.

Row 21: K3, p10, 2/2 RPC, k4, m1, p8, m1, k4, 2/2 LPC, p10, k3. (52 sts)

Row 22: K13, p2, k2, p5, k8, p5, k2, p2, k13.

Row 23: K3, p8, 2/2 RPC, p2, k4, m1, k1, p8, k1, m1, k4, p2, 2/2 LPC, p8, k3. (54 sts)

Row 24: K11, p2, k4, p6, k8, p6, k4, p2, k11.

Row 25: K3, p6, 2/2 RPC, p4, k4, 2/2 LPC, p4, 2/2 RPC, k4, p4, 2/2 LPC, p6, k3.

Row 26: K9, p2, k6, p4, k2, p2, k4, p2, k2, p4, k6, p2, k9.

Row 27: K3, (p5, 2/1 RPC) × 2, k2, p2, 2/2 LPC, 2/2 RPC, p2, k2, (2/1 LPC, p5) × 2, k3.

Row 28: K8, p2, k6, p2, k1, p2, k4, p4, k4, p2, k1, p2, k6, p2, k8.

Row 29: K3, p5, k2, p5, 2/1 RPC, p1, 2/1 LPC, p3, 2/2 RC, p3, 2/1 RPC, p1, 2/1 LPC, p5, k2, p5, k3.

Row 30: K8, p2, k5, (p2, k3) × 2, p4, (k3, p2) × 2, k5, p2, k8.

Row 31: K3, p4, 1/1 RPC, 1/1 LPC, p3, 2/1 RPC, p3, 2/1 LPC, 2/2 RPC, 2/2 LPC, 2/1 RPC, p3, 2/1 LPC, p3, 1/1 RPC, 1/1 LPC, p4, k3.

Row 32: K7, p1, k2, p1, k3, p2, k5, p4, k4, p4, k5, p2, k3, p1, k2, p1, k7.

Row 33: K3, p3, 1/1 RPC, p2, k tbl, p3, k2, p5, 2/2 LC, p4, 2/2 LC, p5, k2, p3, k tbl, p2, 1/1 LPC, p3, k3.

Row 34: K6, (p1, k3) × 2, p2, k5, p4, k4, p2, k7, p2, (k3, p1) × 2, k6.

Row 35: K3, (p2, 1/1 RPC) × 3, 1/1 LPC, p3, 2/1 RPC, 2/1 LPC, p2, 2/1 RPC, 2/1 LPC, p3, 1/1 RPC, (1/1 LPC, p2) × 3, k3.

Row 36: K5, (p1, k3) × 2, p1, k2, p1, k3, (p2, k2) × 3, p2, k3, p1, k2, (p1, k3) × 2, p1, k5.

Row 37: K3, p5, (1/1 RPC, p2) × 2, k tbl, p3, k2, p2, 2/1 LPC, 2/1 RPC, p2, k2, p3, k tbl, (p2, 1/1 LPC) × 2, p5, k3.

Row 38: K8, (p1, k3) × 3, p2, k3, p4, k3, p2, (k3, p1) × 2, k3, p2, k7.

Row 39: K3, p4, (1/1 RPC, p2) × 3, 1/1 RPC, 1/1 LPC, p2, 2/2 RC, p2, 1/1 RPC, (1/1 LPC, p2) × 3, 1/1 LPC, p4, k3.

Row 40: K7, (p1, k3) × 3, (p1, k2) × 2, p4, k2, p1, k2, (p1, k3) × 3, p1, k7.

Row 41: K3, p3, 1/1 RPC, p6, (1/1 RPC, p2) × 2, k tbl, p2, k4, p2, k tbl, (p2, 1/1 LPC) × 2, p6, 1/1 LPC, p3, k3.

Row 42: K6, p1, k7, (p1, k3) × 2, p1, k2, p4, k2, (p1, k3) × 2, p1, k7, p2, k5.

Row 43: K3, p2, k2tog, p6, (1/1 RPC, p2) × 3, 2/2 RC, (p2, 1/1 LPC) × 3, p6, ssk, p2, k3. (52 sts)

Row 44: K12, (p1, k3) × 3, p4, (k3, p1) × 3, k12.

Row 45: K3, p8, 1/1 RPC, p6, 1/1 RPC, p1, 2/2 RPC, 2/2 LPC, p1, 1/1 LPC, p6, 1/1 LPC, p8, k3.

Row 46: K11, p1, k7, p1, k2, p2, k4, p2, k2, p1, k7, p1, k11.

Row 47: K3, p7, k2tog, p6, 1/1 RPC, p1, 1/1 RPC, 1/1 LPC, p2, 1/1 RPC, 1/1 LPC, p1, 1/1 LPC, p6, ssk, p7, k3. (50 sts)

Row 48: K17, (p1, k2) × 5, p1, k17.

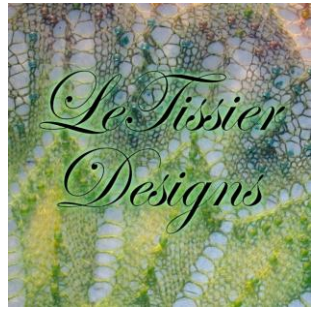
Row 49: K3, p13, 1/1 RPC, p1, 1/1 RPC, (p2, k tbl) × 2, p2, 1/1 LPC, p1, 1/1 LPC, p13, k3.

Row 50: K16, (p1, k2, p1, k3) × 2, p1, k2, p1, k16.

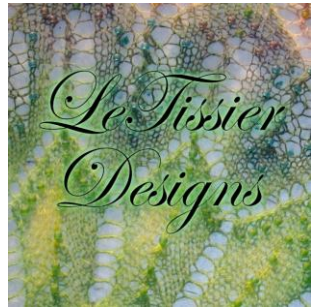
Row 51: K3, p12, k2tog, p1, (1/1 RPC, p2) × 2, 1/1 LPC, p2, 1/1 LPC, p1, ssk, p12, k3. (48 sts)

Row 52: K17, p1, k3, p1, k4, p1, k3, p1, k17.

Row 53: K3, p17, 1/1 RPC, p4, 1/1 LPC, p17, k3.



Row 54: K20, p1, k6, p1, k20.
 Row 55: K3, p17, k tbl, p6, k tbl, p17, k3.
 Row 56: Repeat row 54.
 Row 57: K3, p16, k2tog, p6, ssk, p16, k3. (46 sts)
 Row 58: Knit.
 Row 59: K3, p40, k3.
 Rows 60 - 63: Knit.



Finishing

Row 64 – bind-off in knit. Weave in the ends and block to size.

Embellishments

Leaves and Apples – the leaves are small knits – make as many as you like, in as many colours as you like. Sample has about 2 dozen.

Apples are embroidered on afterwards. I used a satin style stitch as a base and then wove the yarn through to fill in. I am not an embroiderer, so they are definitely not perfect. This is an illusion, based on a memory.

Leaf – made by working flat – using two, 2.0mm DPN's cast-on 2 sts.

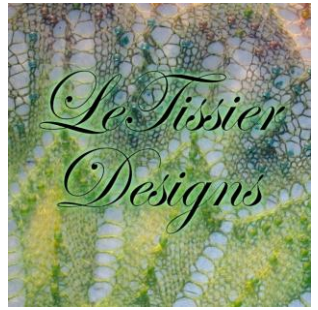
Row 1 – K1b&f, K1 – 3 sts.
 Rows 2, 4, 6, 8 and 10 – knit.
 Row 3 – K1, M1, K1, M1, K1 – 5 sts.
 Rows 5 and 7 – knit.
 Row 9 – SSK, K1, K2tog.
 Row 11 – S2KP2. Cut yarn and pull through remaining st.

Apply the leaves first. Only tack them down at first, until you are satisfied with their placement.

Then start adding the apples.

Once you are happy with the placement, finish attaching the leaves.





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