Tunisian basketweave throw

Throw · US terms



Finished size
About 46¼ × 55¾ in (117 × 142 cm)

Skill
Intermediate
Three Tunisian stitches and a border

Yarn
Bulky (5), 2 colors

Hook
8 mm (US L-11)

Gauge
11 stitches and 10 rows to 4 in (10 cm)
In Tunisian simple stitch.

You will need

Yarn A: oatmeal heather, main **about 1,890 yd (1,728 m), an estimate**
Yarn B: chestnut, the border **about 140 yd (128 m), an estimate**
Hook: 8 mm (US L-11), or the size that gives you the gauge. Also: a Tunisian (afghan) hook or a hook with a cable, 8 mm, long enough for about 40 in (102 cm) of loops, a yarn needle, scissors and a tape measure.

To find how many balls: divide by the length on your yarn's label and round up. Buy them from one dye lot. The estimate is from the stitches of this size at this gauge, with 15 percent added.

Sizes

Size	Finished size, about	Yarn, an estimate
Throw (this file)	**46¼ × 55¾ in (117 × 142 cm)**	**about 2,030 yd (1,856 m)**
Large	55 × 65½ in (140 × 166 cm)	about 2,840 yd (2,597 m)

Abbreviations

Written in US terms. Where the UK name differs it is given beside the US one.

ch chain stitch
sl st slip stitch: insert hook in the place named, yo, pull through it and the loop on hook (UK ss, slip stitch)
sc single crochet (UK dc, double crochet)
Rnd round
RS right side
st stitch
yo yarn over (UK yrh, yarn round hook)

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Special stitches

tss (Tunisian simple stitch): Insert hook from right to left behind the front vertical bar of the st, yo, pull up a loop and leave it on the hook. In row 1 it is worked into the chain, as the notes say. In UK terms it has the same name. It leaves 1 stitch for the next row or round.

tks (Tunisian knit stitch): Insert hook from front to back through the middle of the st, between its front and its back vertical bar and under the chain above them, yo, pull up a loop and leave it on the hook. In UK terms it has the same name. It leaves 1 stitch for the next row or round.

tps (Tunisian purl stitch): Bring the yarn to the front of the work and let it lie there, insert hook from right to left behind the front vertical bar of the st, then take the yarn to the back and over the hook, pull up a loop and leave it on the hook. In UK terms it has the same name. It leaves 1 stitch for the next row or round.

Gauge

11 stitches and 10 rows to 4 in (10 cm) in Tunisian simple stitch. Along a row, count every stitch and every chain between stitches as one.

Check it on the blanket itself, laid flat and not stretched, when 10 rows are done: 22 stitches side by side are about 8 in (20 cm) wide, and the 10 rows are about 4 in (10 cm) tall. The blocks of knit and purl stitches have the same gauge. If they measure more, start again with a smaller hook; if they measure less, with a larger one.

Before you start

- Every row has two halves. The forward half picks up loops from right to left and leaves them all on the hook; "return" is the half that works them off again from left to right: yo, pull through 1 loop, then [yo, pull through 2 loops] until 1 loop is left on the hook. Do not turn: the right side always faces you.
- The loop left on the hook is the first stitch of the next row. It stands over the first vertical bar, so pass that bar over. In row 1 it stands over the ch nearest the hook. From row 2 on the last stitch of a row goes under the two strands at the very edge, so that the edge is firm.
- In row 1 there are no bars yet: put the hook under the bump at the back of each ch, yo, pull up a loop and leave it on the hook. The two strands of the V of each ch are left free for later.
- The stitches are pushed together on the hook or its cable: it may be shorter than the blanket is wide.
- A block is 6 stitches wide and 6 rows tall. In the next band of blocks a knit block stands over a purl block and a purl block over a knit block.
- The last row of a piece is plain single crochet, with no loops left on the hook and no return. Do not turn. Its ch 1 counts as no stitch: the first sc goes under the first vertical bar, straight below the ch. Work the others with the hook put in as for a tss, and the last one under the two strands at the very edge: each time yo, pull up a loop, yo, pull through both loops on the hook.
- In Rnd 1 of the border, work the sc of the sides under both strands at the end of each row: row 1 of the piece, the row of sc and all between them count. The end of the row of sc is the side of its last sc on the left, and the side of its first sc on the right. Work the sc of the top under both top strands of each sc of the last row, and the sc of the foundation under the two strands of the V of each ch.
- Leave a tail of about 6 in (15 cm) when you begin, when you join a yarn and when you fasten off, unless another length is given. The ends that are not sewn with are woven in.
- When a ball runs out, work the last yarn over of a stitch with the new yarn, and leave a tail of about 6 in (15 cm) on both. In the rows do it in the last yarn over of a return; in the rounds of the edging any stitch will do.

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- In joined rounds, the first stitch of a round goes into the same stitch as the joining sl st. The joining sl st itself is not a stitch and is not worked into.
- The ch 1 at the start of a round does not count as a stitch.
- To join a yarn with a sl st, make a slip knot of it on the hook, put the hook in the place named, yo, and pull through the place and the loop on the hook.
- Edging: work along the last row, down the ends of the rows, along the other side of the foundation chain and up the ends of the rows. The 3 sc in one place turn a corner.
- Buy whole balls from one dye lot.

Instructions

Chosen: Throw. Square brackets [ ] hold a repeat: work what is inside as many times as it says. The count in round brackets at the end of a line is what that line leaves. Tick the box when a row is done. In UK terms sl st is slip stitch, sc is double crochet and yo is yarn round hook.

Blanket

Yarn A, oatmeal heather.

☐ **Foundation**	With A, ch 122.	
☐ **Row 1 (RS)**	Loop on hook counts as tss, tss in 2nd ch from hook and in each ch across; return	**(122 tss)**
☐ **Rows 2 to 4**	Loop on hook counts as tss, tss in next 120 sts, tss in last st; return	**(122 tss)**

A box for each row, 2 to 4: tick them off as you go.

2 3 4

Band 1 of blocks

☐ **Rows 5 to 10**	Loop on hook counts as tss, tss in next 3 sts, **[**tks in next 6 sts, tps in next 6 sts**] 9 times**, tks in next 6 sts, tss in next 3 sts, tss in last st; return	**(8 tss, 60 tks, 54 tps)**

A box for each row, 5 to 10: tick them off as you go.

5 6 7 8 9 10

Band 2 of blocks

☐ **Rows 11 to 16**	Loop on hook counts as tss, tss in next 3 sts, **[**tps in next 6 sts, tks in next 6 sts**] 9 times**, tps in next 6 sts, tss in next 3 sts, tss in last st; return	**(8 tss, 60 tps, 54 tks)**

A box for each row, 11 to 16: tick them off as you go.

11 12 13 14 15 16

Band 3 of blocks

☐ **Rows 17 to 22**	Loop on hook counts as tss, tss in next 3 sts, **[**tks in next 6 sts, tps in next 6 sts**] 9 times**, tks in next 6 sts, tss in next 3 sts, tss in last st; return	**(8 tss, 60 tks, 54 tps)**

A box for each row, 17 to 22: tick them off as you go.

17 18 19 20 21 22

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Band 4 of blocks

☐ **Rows 23 to 28** Loop on hook counts as tss, tss in next 3 sts, **[**tps in next 6 sts, tks in next 6 sts**] 9 times**, tps in next 6 sts, tss in next 3 sts, tss in last st; return **(8 tss, 60 tps, 54 tks)**

A box for each row, 23 to 28: tick them off as you go.

23 24 25 26 27 28

Band 5 of blocks

☐ **Rows 29 to 34** Loop on hook counts as tss, tss in next 3 sts, **[**tks in next 6 sts, tps in next 6 sts**] 9 times**, tks in next 6 sts, tss in next 3 sts, tss in last st; return **(8 tss, 60 tks, 54 tps)**

A box for each row, 29 to 34: tick them off as you go.

29 30 31 32 33 34

Band 6 of blocks

☐ **Rows 35 to 40** Loop on hook counts as tss, tss in next 3 sts, **[**tps in next 6 sts, tks in next 6 sts**] 9 times**, tps in next 6 sts, tss in next 3 sts, tss in last st; return **(8 tss, 60 tps, 54 tks)**

A box for each row, 35 to 40: tick them off as you go.

35 36 37 38 39 40

Band 7 of blocks

☐ **Rows 41 to 46** Loop on hook counts as tss, tss in next 3 sts, **[**tks in next 6 sts, tps in next 6 sts**] 9 times**, tks in next 6 sts, tss in next 3 sts, tss in last st; return **(8 tss, 60 tks, 54 tps)**

A box for each row, 41 to 46: tick them off as you go.

41 42 43 44 45 46

Band 8 of blocks

☐ **Rows 47 to 52** Loop on hook counts as tss, tss in next 3 sts, **[**tps in next 6 sts, tks in next 6 sts**] 9 times**, tps in next 6 sts, tss in next 3 sts, tss in last st; return **(8 tss, 60 tps, 54 tks)**

A box for each row, 47 to 52: tick them off as you go.

47 48 49 50 51 52

Band 9 of blocks

☐ **Rows 53 to 58** Loop on hook counts as tss, tss in next 3 sts, **[**tks in next 6 sts, tps in next 6 sts**] 9 times**, tks in next 6 sts, tss in next 3 sts, tss in last st; return **(8 tss, 60 tks, 54 tps)**

A box for each row, 53 to 58: tick them off as you go.

53 54 55 56 57 58

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Band 10 of blocks

☐ **Rows 59 to 64** Loop on hook counts as tss, tss in next 3 sts, **[**tps in next 6 sts, tks in next 6 sts**] 9 times**, tps in next 6 sts, tss in next 3 sts, tss in last st; return **(8 tss, 60 tps, 54 tks)**

A box for each row, 59 to 64: tick them off as you go.

59 60 61 62 63 64

Band 11 of blocks

☐ **Rows 65 to 70** Loop on hook counts as tss, tss in next 3 sts, **[**tks in next 6 sts, tps in next 6 sts**] 9 times**, tks in next 6 sts, tss in next 3 sts, tss in last st; return **(8 tss, 60 tks, 54 tps)**

A box for each row, 65 to 70: tick them off as you go.

65 66 67 68 69 70

Band 12 of blocks

☐ **Rows 71 to 76** Loop on hook counts as tss, tss in next 3 sts, **[**tps in next 6 sts, tks in next 6 sts**] 9 times**, tps in next 6 sts, tss in next 3 sts, tss in last st; return **(8 tss, 60 tps, 54 tks)**

A box for each row, 71 to 76: tick them off as you go.

71 72 73 74 75 76

Band 13 of blocks

☐ **Rows 77 to 82** Loop on hook counts as tss, tss in next 3 sts, **[**tks in next 6 sts, tps in next 6 sts**] 9 times**, tks in next 6 sts, tss in next 3 sts, tss in last st; return **(8 tss, 60 tks, 54 tps)**

A box for each row, 77 to 82: tick them off as you go.

77 78 79 80 81 82

Band 14 of blocks

☐ **Rows 83 to 88** Loop on hook counts as tss, tss in next 3 sts, **[**tps in next 6 sts, tks in next 6 sts**] 9 times**, tps in next 6 sts, tss in next 3 sts, tss in last st; return **(8 tss, 60 tps, 54 tks)**

A box for each row, 83 to 88: tick them off as you go.

83 84 85 86 87 88

Band 15 of blocks

☐ **Rows 89 to 94** Loop on hook counts as tss, tss in next 3 sts, **[**tks in next 6 sts, tps in next 6 sts**] 9 times**, tks in next 6 sts, tss in next 3 sts, tss in last st; return **(8 tss, 60 tks, 54 tps)**

A box for each row, 89 to 94: tick them off as you go.

89 90 91 92 93 94

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Band 16 of blocks

☐ **Rows 95 to 100** Loop on hook counts as tss, tss in next 3 sts, **[**tps in next 6 sts, tks in next 6 sts**] 9 times**, tps in next 6 sts, tss in next 3 sts, tss in last st; return **(8 tss, 60 tps, 54 tks)**

A box for each row, 95 to 100: tick them off as you go.

95 96 97 98 99 100

Band 17 of blocks

☐ **Rows 101 to 106** Loop on hook counts as tss, tss in next 3 sts, **[**tks in next 6 sts, tps in next 6 sts**] 9 times**, tks in next 6 sts, tss in next 3 sts, tss in last st; return **(8 tss, 60 tks, 54 tps)**

A box for each row, 101 to 106: tick them off as you go.

101 102 103 104 105 106

Band 18 of blocks

☐ **Rows 107 to 112** Loop on hook counts as tss, tss in next 3 sts, **[**tps in next 6 sts, tks in next 6 sts**] 9 times**, tps in next 6 sts, tss in next 3 sts, tss in last st; return **(8 tss, 60 tps, 54 tks)**

A box for each row, 107 to 112: tick them off as you go.

107 108 109 110 111 112

Band 19 of blocks

☐ **Rows 113 to 118** Loop on hook counts as tss, tss in next 3 sts, **[**tks in next 6 sts, tps in next 6 sts**] 9 times**, tks in next 6 sts, tss in next 3 sts, tss in last st; return **(8 tss, 60 tks, 54 tps)**

A box for each row, 113 to 118: tick them off as you go.

113 114 115 116 117 118

Band 20 of blocks

☐ **Rows 119 to 124** Loop on hook counts as tss, tss in next 3 sts, **[**tps in next 6 sts, tks in next 6 sts**] 9 times**, tps in next 6 sts, tss in next 3 sts, tss in last st; return **(8 tss, 60 tps, 54 tks)**

A box for each row, 119 to 124: tick them off as you go.

119 120 121 122 123 124

Band 21 of blocks

☐ **Rows 125 to 130** Loop on hook counts as tss, tss in next 3 sts, **[**tks in next 6 sts, tps in next 6 sts**] 9 times**, tks in next 6 sts, tss in next 3 sts, tss in last st; return **(8 tss, 60 tks, 54 tps)**

A box for each row, 125 to 130: tick them off as you go.

125 126 127 128 129 130

The other edge

☐ **Rows 131 to 134** Loop on hook counts as tss, tss in next 120 sts, tss in last st; return **(122 tss)**

A box for each row, 131 to 134: tick them off as you go.

131 132 133 134

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Last row

☐ **Row 135 (RS)**	Ch 1, sc in first st, sc in next 120 sts, sc in last st	**(122 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Border

Yarn B, chestnut.

Hold the piece with the right side facing you and the last row at the top; the first st is the one at the right-hand corner.

☐ **Foundation**	Work around the edge of the piece, right side facing: the 122 sts of the last row, the ends of the 135 rows, the 122 chs of the foundation, the ends of the 135 rows.	
☐ **Rnd 1**	Join B with sl st in first st, ch 1, 3 sc in first st, sc in next 120 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in end of each of next 135 rows, 3 sc in next ch, sc in next 120 chs, 3 sc in next ch, sc in end of each of next 135 rows; join with sl st in first sc	**(522 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 2**	Ch 1, sc in same st as join, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 122 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 137 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 122 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 136 sts; join with sl st in first sc	**(530 sc)**
☐ **Rnd 3**	Ch 1, sc in same st as join, sc in next st, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 124 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 139 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 124 sts, 3 sc in next st, sc in next 137 sts; join with sl st in first sc	**(538 sc)**
☐ **End**	Fasten off.	

Finishing

- Weave in the ends with the yarn needle, changing direction once or twice.
- Dampen the blanket, lay it out flat with the right side up, pat it out to its size with its corners square (Throw about 46¼ × 55¾ in (141.5 cm) or 117 × 142 cm; Large about 55 × 65½ in (166.5 cm) or 140 × 166 cm), and leave it to dry.

In all: 4 ends to weave in.

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