Basket Weave Placemats
Designed for the Knifty Knitter Loom Set
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*Supplies:* Knifty Knitter Loom Set ~Yarn Needle ~Scissors
~6mm Crochet Hook ~1 Skein Lion Brand Thick & Quick per Placemat
~Row Counter (not required, but helpful)

*Pattern Note:* This pattern is specifically written for the creation of placemats, but the Basket Weave Stitch can be incorporated into any project. Just keep in mind that this particular version of the stitch is completed in a series of 16 pegs and 6 rows (Allowing for 4 pegs on each end for a Garter Stitch border and a repetition of the pattern 4 times). Adjust to pattern as needed.
**Garter Edging**

* Using one strand of your yarn, cast onto 28 pegs of your Green loom using a variation of the Cable Cast On method. This is done by the following steps:
  1. Make a slip knot. Place the slip knot over the first peg.
  2. Insert your crochet hook down through the top of the slip knot and catch your working yarn, which is in front of the loom. Pull this through the slip knot, creating a new loop.
  3. Pull the newly formed loop behind the first peg, and slip over the 2nd peg.
  4. Insert your crochet hook between pegs 1 & 2 and down through the loop you’ve just placed over the 2nd peg, and catch your working yarn. Pull up through, creating a new loop.
  5. Pull the newly made loop behind the 2nd peg and slip it onto the 3rd peg. Continue in this way to the 28th peg.
  6. On the 28th peg, lay your working yarn above the loop, across the outside of the loom, and knit off (lift the bottom loop over the working yarn and over the top of the peg).
  7. Every other peg will already have 2 loops on them. Knit off the bottom loop on all the other pegs.

* Begin knitting in the following pattern:
  - E’wrap back to peg one. Knit off.
  - Purl to peg 28. (To purl, lay the working yarn across the outside of the loom and below the existing loops. Reach your knitting tool down through the loop closest to your turn and catch the working yarn. Pull it up through creating a new loop. While holding onto the new loop, knit off the old loop to the back of the peg & replace it with the new loop.)
  - Repeat previous 2 steps 2 times. This will be a total of 6 rows Garter Stitch.
Basket Weave Stitch:

To create the Basket Weave Stitch, follow the chart below. When you have finished with row 6, you will be at peg 28, so for row 7, follow the left pointing arrow from peg 28 to peg 1. Then you will switch directions on row 8 and go to the right.

On the chart, the EW = e’wrap peg and knit off. The P = purl peg.

Repeat these 6 rows until you reach row #72.

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• Purl to peg 28.
• Repeat previous 2 steps 2 times. This will be a total of 6 rows Garter Stitch.

Cast off using the Crochet Chain One Method. Do this by the following steps:

1. Place peg 28’s loop onto your crochet hook.
2. Loop your working yarn over the hook and pull a new loop through the old, letting the old loop slip off the hook.
3. Place peg 27’s loop onto your crochet hook & pull through the loop on the hook.
4. Repeat from step #2 until you have reached the last loop on peg 1. Trim yarn to 4” and pull thru last loop and cinch to secure.
5. Weave in ends and block. Repeat & Enjoy!

It may be helpful to use a sticky note, or paper to cover the rows you’ve already knit, so that you can keep track of where you are.