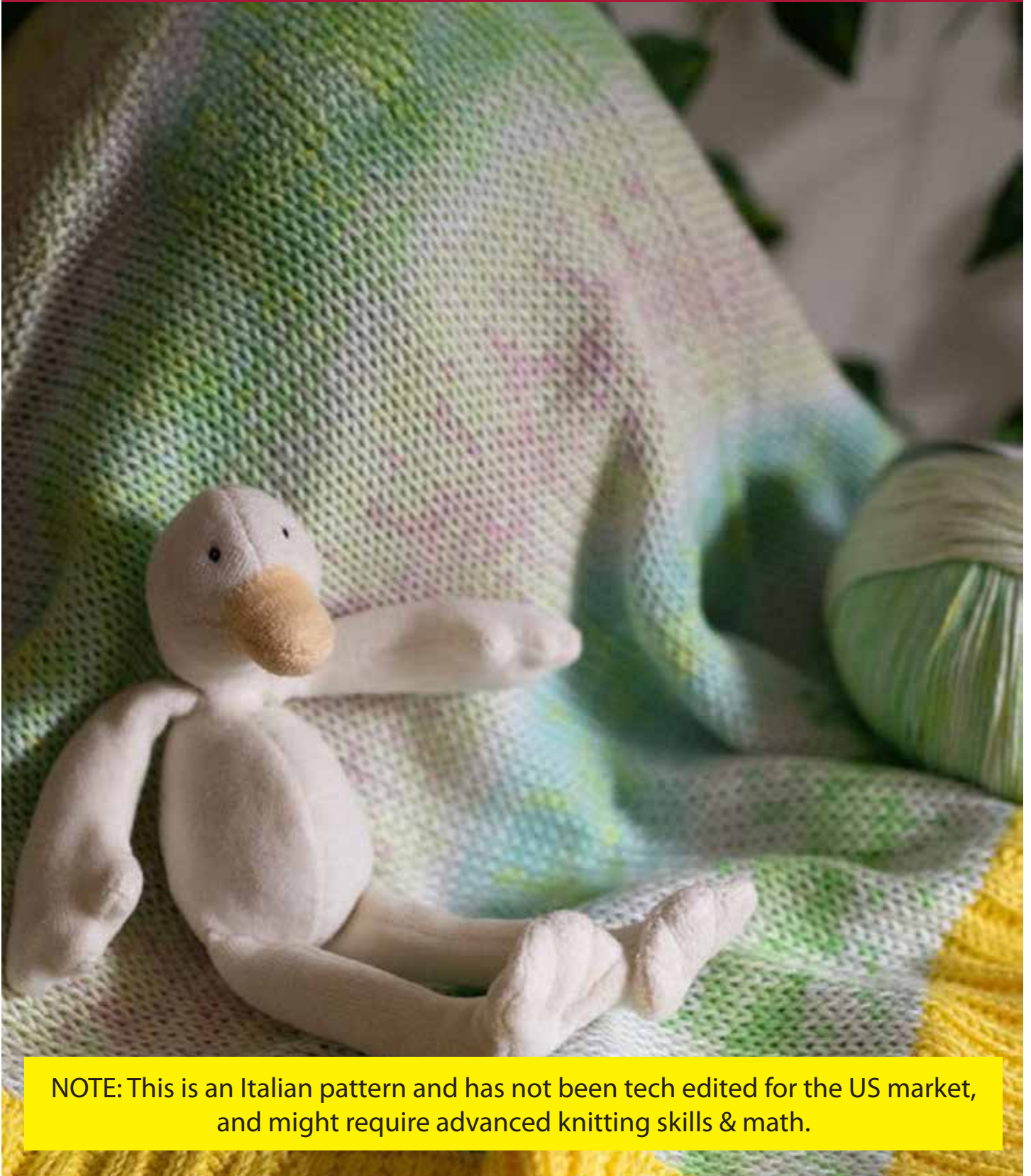




THE COLOR EVOLUTION



NOTE: This is an Italian pattern and has not been tech edited for the US market, and might require advanced knitting skills & math.

BABY BLANKET

MATERIALS

Baby Soft Fancy by Laines du Nord
2 x 100 grams of col. 405
Baby Soft by Laines du Nord
1 x 50 grams of col. 604 (lemon yellow)
Size 3mm and US4/3.5mm knitting needles
Darning needle with silicon eye
Pins
Stitch marker
Scissors
Tape measure

ABBREVIATIONS

RS = right side of work
WS = wrong side of work
st. / s = stitch / es
r. = row / s
incr. = increase / ing
col. = color
decr. = decrease / ing
k = knit
rep. = repeat
foll. = follow

MEASURES

71 x 71 cm

SKILL LEVEL: Easy

NOTES

The blanket consists of main panel with top and lower band. Work the side bands separately and, at last, sew them at sides of main panel.
Excluding the rows in tubular st., work 1 selvage at beginning of every r.

POINTS USED

Tubular stitch: using scrap yarn, cast-on half sts. that we need 1 st.

Change yarn and use the working yarn.

1st r. (forth): k1, (yo, k1), rep. until the end [you have doubled the sts. 1 st.]

2nd r. (back): slip 1st st. p-wise (this st. have been worked in knit st., across previous r.), (k1 on yo, slip 1 st. p-wise) rep. until the end.

3rd r.: k1, (slip 1 st. p-wise, k1) rep. across the entire r.

4th r.: slip 1 st. p-wise, (k1, slip 1 st. p-wise) rep. until the end.

Rib 2/2:

1st r.: (k2, p2) rep. until 2 sts. before the end, k2

2nd r.: (p2, k2) rep. until 2 sts. before the end, p2

Always rep. 1st and 2nd r.

Stocking stitch

1st r. (RS): knit.

2nd r. (WS): purl.

Always rep. 1st and 2nd r.

Reverse Stocking stitch

1st r. (RS): purl.

2nd r. (WS): knit.

Always rep. 1st and 2nd r.

Selvage: slip 1st st. of every r.

Bind off.: slip 1st st. k-wise, knit next st., pass slipped st. over knitted st., (knit next st., pass 1st st. over 2nd st. of right needle) rep. as many times as stated.

Decrease: k2tog

Increase (make one): using tip of needle, lift horizontal yarn between 2 sts. and knit through back loop.

MAIN PANEL

Using size 3 mm needles and scrap yarn, cast-on 93 sts. 1 st. Change the yarn and using yellow yarn work 4 r. in tubular st. on 186 sts. 1 st.

Cont. working 11 r. rib 2/2, decr. 1 st. across 1st r. (= 186 sts.). The band measures 4.5 cm approx.

Cont. in stocking st.

1st r. (RS): knit decr. 44 sts. (1 decr. = k2tog) uniformly; there are 142 sts.

Using size 3.5 mm needles and variegated col., work in stocking st. as foll.:

2nd r. (WS): p71, k71

3rd r. (RS): k71, p71

4th r. (WS): p71, k71

Always cont. rep. 3rd and 4th r. until piece in stocking st. measures 31 cm, then reverse the setting.

Next r. (RS): p71, k71

Next r. (WS): k71, p71

Rep. last 2 r. reaching 31 cm from previous setting.

Last r. in stocking st. (RS): knit, working 44 incr. uniformly (=186 sts.).

Use size 3 mm needles and yellow col. and, for top band shaping, work 4.5 cm rib 2/2, beginning with 1 r. on WS. At last, bind off all sts.

SIDE BANDS (x 2)

Using scrap yarn, cast-on 117 sts. 1 st.

Using yellow yarn, work 4 r. in tubular st. on 234 sts. 1 st.

Cont. working 11 r. rib 2/2, decr. 1 st. across 1st r. (= 234 sts.). The band measures 4.5 cm. At last, knit 1 r. on RS, then bind off all sts.

Note: every knitter has own working tension, so check that beginning 234 sts. in tubular st. are suited to side edge of main panel, otherwise adjust the number of sts.

FINISHING

Using darning needle and yellow yarn, sew side bands at sides of main panel (using your favorite sewing technique).

Hide the ends on WS.