

*Garter-Eyelet Edging for Knitter's Aran Afghan
(Alternative to Cable Edging)*

Size 7 needles (a long circular needle is best – knitting is done back and forth)

Pick up and work each side separately. Pick up 56* sts across each square, adding one additional stitch in the middle of the side to have an odd number of sts. For example, if you are picking up sts along an edge with 4 squares, you will end up with $(4 \times 56) + 1 = 225$ sts.

* If your edge is too tight or loose, adjust the number of sts accordingly – just make sure you pick up the same number across each square.

Begin Rows:

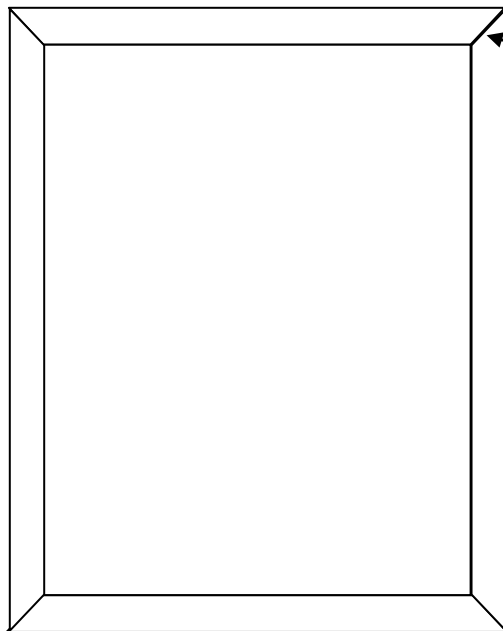
Row 1 and all WS rows: knit

Row 2: k1, YO, [k2tog, YO*] repeat between [] to last 2 sts, end k1, YO, k1 (2 extra sts made)

Rows 4, 6, 8 (increase rows): k1, m1, knit to last st, m1, k1 (2 extra sts made each row)

Row 9: bind off as to knit (see hints)

Hints: I used a continuous thread to bind off the entire edge all the way around the afghan -- I did not break my yarn at the end of the first side, I kept it attached and then used it to bind off each successive side as it was finished. Also, I used a needle one size larger when binding off to keep the edge from being too tight.



I sewed each corner and then did 3 sts of duplicate st to cover the seam to make the edge look continuous