

# 2010 Afghan Square of the Month Club

## Information Sheet

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Photos of the afghan, including close-ups of individual squares, can be seen at <http://www.gaea-creations.com/afghan.html>.

### Materials:

River Knits Year-Long Afghan Pattern (available for download from [www.riverknitsyarns.com](http://www.riverknitsyarns.com)). Yarn, needles and notions as stated in the pattern. Yarn may be purchased each month. However, if you wish to purchase yarn for the entire afghan at once, you are welcome to do so. The pattern is written for 6 colors, but you may use as few as two colors or as many colors as you wish. The sample afghan was knit using Brown Sheep Lamb's Pride Worsted. This is a heavy worsted weight yarn. Feel free to use other yarns, but know that thinner or thicker yarns will affect the finished size of your afghan. It may also affect the amount of yarn required.

To choose colors, follow your own taste. Any 6 colors that look good together will work. It is best to choose at least one dark color and one fairly light color. This contrast will help your other colors stand out. The rest of your colors can be anywhere in between.

Yarn quantities for each square are given in the pattern. However, the following are total yarn amounts used for the sample afghan. It was knit in Brown Sheep Lamb's Pride Worsted (4 oz/194 yds; 4.5 sts=1").

Clematis: 4 balls

Spice: 3 balls plus 2 for edging

Rust: 2 balls

Autumn Harvest: 3 balls

Khaki: 3 balls

Old Sage: 2 balls

### Finished Size of Afghan:

Approximately 54" x 70", using Brown Sheep Lamb's Pride Worsted to make twelve 16" squares plus border.

### Schedule:

January 12: *Texture Knitting*. With simple knit and purl combinations, you will create a lovely brocade square.

February 9: *Mosaic Knitting*. It may look like stranded color work, but you will only carry one color per row! Beautiful!

March 9: *Cables!* Create a square using all-over cables, like your own little fisherman's sweater.

April 13: *Fair Isle*. In this class, we'll cover stranded knitting in the round and (gasp!) steeks!

May 11: *Cable Motif*. Different from all-over cables, cable motifs create a design that stands out on its own.

June 8: *Texture and Color*. Using several colors and a linen stitch variation, create a square that resembles woven fabric.

July 13: *Lace*. Create a square using a simple lace pattern. An excellent introduction to lace knitting.

August 10: *Miters*. Come see how fun knitting mitered squares can be! You'll also learn how to attach them as you go.

September 14: *Counterpane*. This square will resemble those used in vintage knitted bedspreads.

October 12: *Fair Isle (without steeks)*. We'll begin at the perimeter and decrease to the center.

November 9: *Brambles, Bobbles and Basket Weave*. Using a single color, we'll create a square that has three different textures. In this class, you'll also receive the instructions for the December square: Stripes using leftover yarn from previous squares.

December 14: *Assembly and edgings*.

### Class Fees:

\$15 for individual classes.

\$12.50/class when you register for all 12 at once.

Class size is limited to 8 students. Please sign up early to reserve your place in class!