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Make a statement in this double layered smooshy cowl. It's a seamless piece of perfection that is great for men or ladies. It uses one skein of Malabrigo *Rasta* and is a great way to show off the gorgeous colours and stitch definition.

This project works up quickly and is a great way to expand on your skills if you are a beginner. You can take the opportunity to learn a provisional cast on and grafting.

This cowl is knit in one piece with a super bulky weight yarn. The tube is then folded in for a double layer and the ends are grafted together. This cowl has one size and no visible seam.





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## The Technical Stuff



Skill Level: Rookie-Apprentice-Virtuoso-Genius

Skills: knit, provisional cast on, grafting

Sizes: one size (adult)

Finished Measurements: approx 23 cm wide and 18 cm tall lying flat

**Gauge:** approx 8 sts and 15 rows = 10 cm in St st on 10 mm in St st

Yarn: super bulky merino wool

Suggested Brand: 1 skein Malabrigo *Rasta* 100% merino wool 82 m per 150 g shown in colour 043 Plomo

+ spare amount of scrap yarn of similar thickness for cast on

#### Needles:

10 mm 40 or 50 cm circs spare circ of same or smaller size for grafting 10 mm crochet hook (for cast on) *or size needed to obtain gauge* 

Other Materials: tapestry needle; stitch marker

Skill Level: Rookie-Apprentice-Virtuoso-Genius

Skills: knit, provisional cast on, grafting

Sizes: one size (adult)

**Finished Measurements:** approx 9" wide and 7" tall lying flat

**Gauge:** approx 8 sts and 15 rows = 4" in St st on US 15 in St st

Yarn: super bulky merino wool

Suggested Brand: 1 skein Malabrigo *Rasta* 100% merino wool 90 yds per 5.3 oz shown in color 043 Plomo

+ spare amount of scrap yarn of similar thickness for cast on

#### Needles:

US 15 16" or 20" circs spare circ of same or smaller size for grafting US 15/N or P crochet hook (for cast on) or size needed to obtain gauge

Other Materials: tapestry needle; stitch marker



#### Instructions:

With scrap yarn and circs CO 35 sts with provisional method (see Resources).

Join in the rnd being careful not to twist sts. Pm for beg of rnd. SI m throughout.

With working yarn, work in St st (knit every st) until cowl measures approx 38 cm/15" from CO or until you almost run out of yarn, leaving enough for grafting.

You may block with a damp towel and iron at this point if desired.

You should also anchor the tail from the CO at this point before your tube is closed. You don't need to weave the tail in as you normally would on a WS, because it will be folded into the tube and won't be visible.

Undo prov CO sts and place onto spare circ.

Bring the bottom of the tube through the middle towards your working needles (turning it halfway inside out so you have a double layer). The RS should be facing on the inside and the outside layer.

Hold your needles parallel to prepare for grafting (see Resources). Graft all sts.

Weave in the final tail by knotting it to a horizontal strand and pulling it between the layers.

You will probably see one little blip where the ends meet, but you can just rotate the grafted row to the inside layer.

You may also want to give it a final gentle blocking with a damp towel and an iron.



#### **Resources:**

Provisional Cast On stitchdiva.com/tutorials/knitting/provisional-cast-on

#### Grafting/Kitchener Stitch

knitty.com/ISSUEsummer04/FEATtheresasum04.html



Enjoy!

# abbreviations

<b>approx</b> = approximately	<b>pm</b> = place marker
<b>beg</b> = beginning	<b>prev</b> = previous
BO = bind off	<b>psso</b> = passover
<b>BOR</b> = beginning of round	<b>pu</b> = pick up
<b>CC</b> = contrasting colour	<b>pwise</b> = purlwise
<b>ch</b> = chain	<b>rem</b> = remaining
<b>circ(s)</b> = circular needle(s)	rep = repeat
<b>cn</b> = cable needle	rev St st = reverse stockinette stitch
CO = cast on	<pre>rnd(s) = round(s)</pre>
cont = continue	<b>RS</b> = right side
dc = double crochet	sc = single crochet
<pre>dpn(s) = double pointed needle(s)</pre>	<b>sk</b> = skip
dec(s) = decrease(s)	<b>skp</b> = slip one stitch, knit one stich, pass slipped stitch
<b>foll</b> = follow(ing)	over knitted stitch (decrease)
hdc = half-double crochet	sl = slip
hk = hook	<b>sl1k</b> = slip one stitch knitwise
inc = increase	<pre>sl1p = slip one stitch purlwise</pre>
incl = including	<b>sl m =</b> slip marker
K = knit	<pre>sp(s) = space(s)</pre>
K2tog = knit two stitches together (decrease)	<b>ssk</b> = slip, slip, knit two slipped stitches together
Kfb = knit into front and back of stitch (increase)	(decrease)
Ktbl = knit through back loop	<b>sssk</b> = slip, slip, slip, knit all slipped stitches together
kwise = knitwise	(double decrease)
<b>lp(s)</b> = loop(s)	st(s) = stitche(s)
<b>m</b> = marker	St st = stockinette stitch / stocking stitch
M1 = make one (increase)	<b>tbl</b> = through back loops
M1L = left slanting increase	tog = together
M1R = right slanting increase	WS = wrong side
MC = main colour	wyib = with yarn in back
P = purl	<b>wyif</b> = with yarn in front
P2tog = purl two stitches together (decrease)	YO = yarn over
patt = pattern	Hope you enjoyed the pattern

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