

Olya Mikesh Designs

Something-Happy Shawl



Level: Easy/Beginner

Time: 10-12 hours

Size: 64" wingspan, 30" deep

Materials

- US size 4 (3.5 mm) circular needle
- 200g of Fingering weight yarn, in MC (solid) and CC (variegated)
 - Sample made with MC ~ **Yellowblueyarn Super Sock** (100g/ 467yds, naturally Hand Dyed, *Marigolds*), and CC ~ **Lorna's Laces Shepherd Sock** (2x50g/215yds, *Watercolor*)
- Tapestry needle
- Scissors
- 2 stitch markers

Gauge

18 st x 48 rows =4"x 4" in garter stitch

Tips

This shawl is perfect for using one of those beautiful hand dyed skeins of sock yarn that you loved, and purchased without a project in mind. Just pair it with a solid color that complements some of the colors in the multi-colored yarn, or use a contrasting color that creates a vibrant "happy" effect (as I did in the sample.) The striping effect fades the colors together, but also allows for sections of single color to shine in all its beauty. It is best to use the solid color as your MC, for working the lace sections, and variegated or speckled yarn as a CC. The shawl is completely reversible. The right side will look more striped, and the wrong side, more faded. Both are beautiful!

Instructions

Section I - Solid Garter:

Garter Tab set up ~ With CC, CO 3 sts. Knit 6 rows.

Next Row: K3, pick up and K 3 sts along the side of the rectangle (1 st for each purl bump), pick up and K 3 sts from CO edge. ~ 9 sts. ~ this creates a flat edge on the shawl.

Set-up Row (WS): Sl 1, K3, PM, K1, PM, K4. ~ these 2 markers will be making the center “spine” st, always worked in garter (K on all rows.)

Row 1 (RS): Sl1, K2, YO, k to M, YO, SM, K1, SM, YO, K to 3 sts from end, YO, K3.

Row 2 (WS): Sl1, K all sts, slipping markers as you come to them.

Repeat Row 1 & 2 for a total of 20 rows (10 garter ridges.)

Section II - Striped Garter:

Work the same as solid garter Row 1 & 2, alternating the MC and CC every other row. You will be starting this section with MC. Carry the unworked yarn along the right edge. Work for a total of 20 rows (10 garter ridges.)

Section III - Lace:

Work with MC only, carrying the CC along the right edge, twisting it with MC at a start of each RS row.

Row 1 (RS): Sl1, K2, YO, K to M, YO, SM, K1, SM, YO, K to 3 sts from end, YO, K3.

Row 2 (WS): Sl1, K all sts, slipping markers as you come to them.

Row 3 (RS): Sl1, K2, YO, *k2tog, YO, repeat from * until 1 st before M, K1, YO, SM, K1,

SM, YO, K1, YO, *k2tog, YO, repeat from * until 3 last sts, YO, K3.

Row 4 (WS): repeat Row 2.

Repeat Rows 3 & 4 another 5 times ~ 6 rows of lace.

Repeat Section II

Repeat Section I

Repeat Section II

Repeat Section III

Repeat Section II

Repeat Section I

Repeat Section II

Repeat Section III

Work 2 rows of garter with CC (same as Row 1 & 2 of Section I)

Mini Picot BO:

K 1, *CCO 2 sts, K 1, BO 8 sts, repeat from * until last st, k2tog with last BO st. This BO has 3 st picot + 5 sts in between. You may choose to use a different BO, if you like, but make sure to BO stitches loosely, as the shawl will need to be stretched when blocked.

Finishing:

Wet and block out to open the lace and even out the sts. Let dry, and weave in the ends.



Abbreviations

MC - main color

CC - contrasting color

Sl - slip stitch knitwise

St(s) - stitch(s)

CO - Cast On

K - knit

P - purl

k2tog - knit 2 sts together

ssk - slip 2 sts as if to knit, then knit these 2
sts together

PM - place marker

YO - yarn over

CCO - Cable cast on