Supernova

A fingering weight circular shawl. Due to the open mesh of the extremely simple lace, the finished piece is more than circular once blocked. The result is an easy to wear wrap that hugs the shoulders without binding.

Materials:

1sk <u>Light Brown Hare Jackrabbit 6oz</u> (170g/600yds) US#7/4.5mm double pointed needles or size to get gauge US#7/4.5mm 24-36in circular needle E/3.5mm crochet hook; yarn needle; and a stitch marker

This pattern is calculated by percentage. It can be made up in any yarn that will hold a block, in any weight and knit with any needles that give a pleasing fabric. The example was made with one specially dyed skein of Jackrabbit 6oz. Jackrabbit is a heavy fingering weight superwash merino yarn with lots of bouncy twist, and comes 600yds to the 6oz/170g skein. The finished size for this piece is 46in in diameter. **Blocked gauge:** 13st and 16r to 4in or go with whatever looks best for your yarn.

Before knitting: Weigh the yarn and wind off 25% of it into a center pull ball. Put a slip knot at the 25% point. That 25% will be worked as the center of the shawl and the slip knot marks the point at which to begin the lace pattern. Begin pattern, working from the middle of the 25% ball. Alternately, weigh the yarn and the circular needles before starting, and then periodically weigh the growing work, beginning the lace section when 25% of the total weight of the yarn has been knit.

Note: The spiral radiates *counter-clockwise*, as if the center were turning clockwise with the arms of the spiral trailing behind. To reverse the spiral, reverse all the directions and work all the ssk as k2tog. For example, r2 would be worked: [yo, k1] eight times and the first pattern round would be worked: [yo, work to last 2st of section, yo, k2tog] eight times.

Instructions:

- Lighter circular cast on 8st using the double pointed needles. Place marker and work in the round as follows:
- Knit first and all odd numbered rounds.
 - r2) [k1, yo] eight times.
 - r4) [k2, yo] eight times.
 - r6) [k3, yo] eight times.

This is the rate and placement of increases. In other words, every other round, place a yarn over right after the previous yarn over. This will create 8 sections. Change to the circular needle when necessary. Continue in this way until the slip knot is reached. Finish the round and if the next round is an odd numbered round, knit it.

-) On the next increase/even round work: [ssk, yo, work to end of section, yo] eight times.
-) On the next increase/even round work: [(ssk, yo) two times, work to end of section, yo] eight times.
-) On the next increase/even round work: [(ssk, yo) three times, work to end of section, yo] eight times.

This is the pattern development for the decorative eyelets in conjunction with the increases. Continue this way, adding another (ssk, yo) pair every other round until the eyelets span the entire circumference of the piece with only one stitch between each. Then knit one more round.

- To bind off, take a crochet hook appropriate for the size of the yarn and work a ssk with the crochet hook and then chain 7. Do this all the way around the edge until all the stitches are secured. Connect the last chain to the beginning of the round, weave in the ends and block in your preferred manner.

Key: **k**#: knit # stitches; **yo**: yarn over; **ssk**: slip slip knit/left slanting decrease; **k2tog**: knit two together/right slanting decrease.

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