the Wren Cowl



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Cowls are a fun, easy to knit accessory. This pretty star stitch scarf slips over the head to protect you from autumn winds. Its slim, yet squashy and comfortable. Make one to match your favorite fall outfit, it's the perfect pop of color.

Finished Measurements

- 12" (30.5cm) long laid flat
- 24" (61cm) long circumference
- 7.5" (19cm) wide
- finished weight 3 5/8 oz (112g)

Suggested Yarn

- MadelineTosh Tosh DK (100% Superwash Merino)
- 225 yd (206m/4oz/112g)
- For project: approximately 223 yd (2.7m/3 5/8oz/102g)
- Colorway shown 'Jade'

Needle

•1 pair US 7 (4.75mm) 16" (40.6cm) long circular needles, or needles to obtain gauge.

Gauge

●14 stitches & 7 rows per 2" in star stitch.

Notions

Darning needle for finishing

Abbreviations

k - knit

p - purl

ms - make star

sl - slip stitch stitch without knitting

Pattern Notes

The star stitch is worked on the wrong side of the fabric and this piece is knit in the round. You will knit the cowl inside out, then turn it right side out to wear.

To keep a seamless star pattern in the round, the stitch marker will have to travel to the right as you knit. On every purl row you will need to slip the last two stitches of the round, remove the stitch marker, slip the stitches onto the left needle and place the marker in its new home.

Since the nature of the star stitch pattern pulls the fabric in, and the garter stitch edging is more relaxed, a wet block is recommended to even out the fabric.

To make a star:

Purl through three stitches together but leave them on the left needle. Yarn over and put the right needle back through the same three stitches and purl them again.



Directions

Cast on 140 stitches using the long tail cast on method.

- 1. Knit
- 2. Purl
- 3.-6. Repeat rounds 1 & 2 two times.
- 7. *MS, pl repeat from * to end of round.
- 8. Purl to last two stitches. Slip these two stitches onto right needle, remove marker, slip same two stitches back onto left needle. Replace marker. This is the new end of round.
- 9.-44. Repeat rounds 7 & 8 twenty three times, ending with a purl round.

Cast off with loose tension, weave in ends. Wet block.