# SUPER SIMPLE COWL

lisa gerber © 2012

L G

A simple cowl knit in garter stitch.  Short rows are used to build a series of triangles with one skein of Noro silk garden sock.  The ends are seemed together to produce an elegant cowl.

## materials

Noro silk garden sock: 40% Wool, 25% Nylon, 25% Silk, 10% Mohair
1 skein (328 yards)

## needles
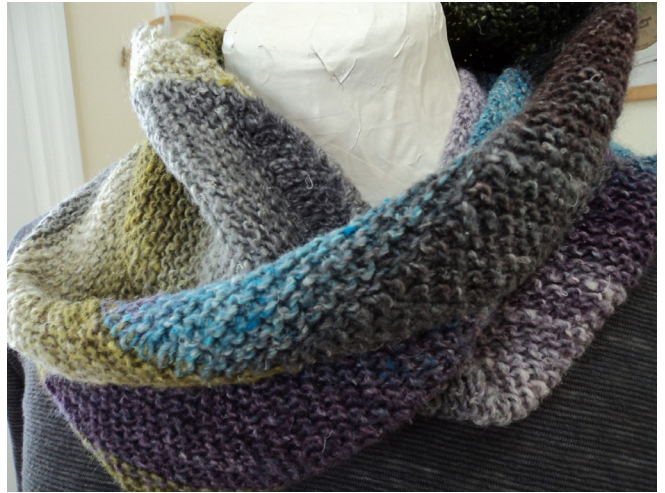
US size 8 (5.0 mm) straight or circular needles

## tools

Stitch markers, darning needle

## gauge

Gauge is not critical; 16 stitches over 4" in garter stitch

## measurements

Finished cowl before seeming measures 5.5" wide and 56" long
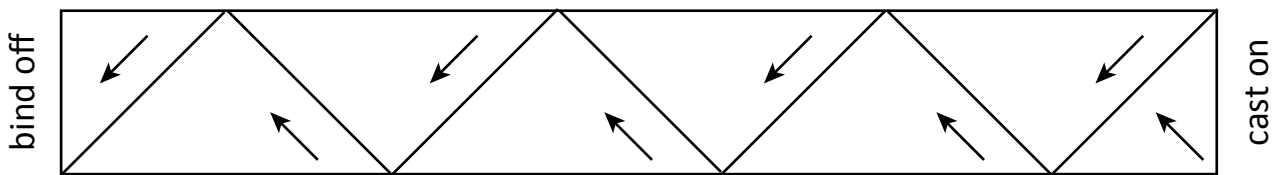
## abbreviations

k: knit

sl: slip

k1-f/b: increase 1 st, knit into front loop and back loop of same st

pm: place marker

ssk (slip, slip, knit): slip the next 2 sts to the right needle one at a time as if to knit; return them to the left needle one at a time in their new orientation; k them together through the back loops

## cowl

Loosely cast on 20 sts

*First triangle*
Row 1: k1-f/b, k1, turn; sl1, k to end
Row 2: k1-f/b, k3, turn; sl1, k to end
Row 3: k1-f/b, k to gap then knit 1 more, turn; sl1, k to end
Repeat Row 3 until all sts have been worked (39 sts)
Next row: knit 1 row, turn

*Second triangle*
Row 1: k1-f/b, ssk, turn; sl1, k to end
Row 2: k1-f/b, k1, pm, ssk, turn; sl1, k to end
Row 3: k1-f/b, k to marker, ssk, turn*; sl1, k to end
Repeat Row 3 until all sts have been worked, ending last row at * (39 sts)
Continue making triangles by repeating pattern for second triangle until desired length (For a one-skein project, repeat until enough yarn remains for last triangle. For the cowl pictured here, repeat second triangle 5 more times.)


*Last triangle*
Row 1: k1-f/b, ssk, turn; sl1, k to end
Row 2: k1-f/b, k1, pm, ssk, turn; sl1, k to end
Row 3: k1-f/b, k to marker, ssk, turn; sl1, k to end
Repeat Row 3 until 19 sts remain unworked. Continue as follows:
Row 1: ssk, k to marker, ssk, turn; sl1, k to last st, turn (one st remains on right needle)
Row 2: sl1, pass first st over just slipped st*, k to marker, ssk, turn; sl1, k to last st, turn
Repeat Row 2 until 3 sts remain.
Work Row 2 to *, bind of last st. Leave a 12" tail.