

## **SWIRLETTE COWL**

A stranded colour work pattern worked in one piece on circular needles with a zig-zag edging.  
Skill level: Intermediate.



### **Materials**

- **Needles:** 2.75mm (US 2) 40cm, 3.25mm (US 3) 40cm and 60cm circular needles.
- Stitch marker.

### **Yarn**

- **MC:** Araucania Ranco Solid 4ply (75% Wool, 25% Polyamide); (344 mtrs/376yds)  
4ply/Fingering yarn: 0.5 balls.
- **CC:** Kureyon Sock (70% Wool, 30% Nylon); (420mtrs/460yds per 100g);  
4ply/Fingering: 0.40 balls.

**Tension/Gauge:** Width 15sts to 5cm (2 inches), length 17 rows to 5cm (2 inches) measured over blocked swirl pattern using 3.25mm (US 3) circular needle.

### **Finished measurements:**

Width: Upper section approximately 24cm (9½ inches), lower section approximately 36cm (14¼ inches).

Length: Approximately 25cm (10 inches), measured from cast on edge to point of lower triangle edge.

### **Abbreviations:**

K (or k): knit  
P (or p): purl  
st st: stocking (stockinette st)  
g st: garter stitch  
st (s): stitch (es)  
sl: slip  
inc: increase  
dec: decrease  
k1f&b: knit 1 front and back  
p1f&b: purl 1 front and back  
Rnd (or rnd): round  
CO (or co): cast on  
BO (or bo): bind off  
RS (or rs): right side  
WS (or ws): wrong side  
MC (or mc): main colour  
CC (or cc): contrast colour

## **PATTERN**

Using 2.75mm (US 2) 40cm circular needle and using mc co 126sts. Place marker at beg of rnd and join ensuring sts not twisted and work 4 rounds g st as follows:

Rnd 1: k.

Rnd 2: p.

Rnd 3: k.

Rnd 4: (inc rnd) \*p8, inc by purling into front and back of next st (p1f&b), repeat from \* to end of rnd (140sts).

## **Upper Swirlette pattern**

*It is important when knitting a stranded color pattern to carry yarns loosely along back of work.*

Change to 3.25mm (US 3) 40cm circular needle and joining in cc commence swirl pattern as follows (always ensuring marker in place at beginning of rounds):

Rnd 1: \*k2 mc, k2 cc, rep from \* to end of round.

Rnd 2: k1 cc, \*k2 mc, k2 cc, rep from \* to end of round ending with k1 cc.

Rnd 3: \*k2 cc, k2 mc, rep from \* to end of round.

Rnd 4: k1 mc, \*k2 cc, k2 mc, rep from \* to end of round ending with k1 mc.

Continue working these four pattern rounds until a total of 48 pattern rounds have been worked for the upper section ending with round 4. The next two rounds are worked in mc only, leave cc attached and pick up when commencing lower Swirlette pattern.

Using mc work increase round as follows:

Rnd 49: (inc rnd): Using mc \*inc by knitting into front and back of next st (k1f&b), k1, repeat from \* to end of rnd (210sts).

*Change to 3.25mm (US 3) 60cm circular needle.*

Rnd 50: Using mc purl.

## **Lower Swirlette pattern**

For the lower section the swirl pattern will be reversed. It will be necessary to increase 2sts on the 1<sup>st</sup> pattern rnd (*a multiple of 4sts needed for swirl pattern*). Pick up cc from last pattern round and work inc rnd as follows:

Inc rnd: Using mc inc by knitting into front and back of next st (k1f&b), \*k2 cc, k2 mc\*.

Repeat from \* to \* until 106sts have been worked ending with K2 mc. Using cc inc by knitting into front and back of next st (k1f&b), \*k2 mc, k2 cc, rep from \* to end of rnd ending with k2 cc (212sts).

Work rnds 52-54 once.

Rnd 51: \*k2 mc, k2 cc rep from \* to end of round.

Rnd 52: k1 mc, \*k2 cc, k2 mc, repeat from \* to end of round, k1 mc.

Rnd 53: \*k2 cc, k2 mc, repeat from \* to end of round.

Rnd 54: k1 cc, K2 mc, \*k2 cc, k2 mc, repeat from \* to end of round K1 cc.

Then repeat rounds 51-54, 5 more times (total of 24 pattern rnds for lower section). The next two rounds are worked in mc only, leave cc attached and pick up when commencing zig zag border.

For the zig-zag border it will be necessary to decrease 2sts as follows: (*a multiple of 6sts needed for zig-zag border*).

Dec rnd: Using mc k2 tog, k 104sts, k2 tog, k to end of rnd (210sts).  
Purl 1 row mc.

Break of mc and continue in cc only.

### **Zig-Zag Border**

For this section each point is worked individually turning the work as you go.

With rs facing pick up cc from last pattern round and work border as follows:

Row 1: (rs) k2, turn.

Row 2: (ws) k1, p1, turn.

Row 3: (rs) sl 1 (knitwise), k2, turn.

Row 4: (ws) k2, p1, turn.

Row 5: (rs) sl 1 (knitwise), k3, turn.

Row 6: (ws) k3, p1, turn.

Row 7: (rs) sl 1 (knitwise), k4, turn.

Row 8: (ws) k4, p1, turn.

Row 9: (rs) sl 1 (knitwise), k5, turn.

Row 10: (ws) k5, p1, turn.

Row 11: (rs) \*BO 6sts (1st remaining on right side needle), K1 from circular needle (2sts), turn.

*\*When binding off these 6sts keep tension loose.*

Repeat rows 2-11 until all sts from circular needle have been worked. On final repeat BO 5sts, break off yarn and pull through remaining st to fasten off.

Weave in any loose ends. Wash and block pinning out the points of the lower border.

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