

Austin Cowl

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Bored with knitting rectangular scarves? Like scarves but hate how they flap in the wind? Well, check out the Austin Cowl!

Materials:

- 1 Skein of O-Wool (198 yards) or any worsted weight yarn (I used up all but a couple of yards of yarn so if you want to make your cowl taller, pick up an extra skein)
- 1 Pair of US size 8 circular needle (16") or size needed to obtain gauge

Notions

- 1 Stitch Marker
- 1 Tapestry Needle to weave in ends

Gauge:

- 5 sts/inch

Dimensions:

- Circumference – 24" (The ribbing in the cowl will keep it from slouching around your neck. If you want it to be slouchy, cast on more stitches. Just remember to cast on in multiples of 12)
- Height – 7.5"



Directions:

- CO 120 Sts, PM
- RND 1: *K4, P2, K4, P2, repeat from * to the end of the round
- RND 2: Repeat Rnd 1
- RND 3: Repeat Rnd 1
- RND 4: *K4, P2, 2/2LC, P2, repeat from * to the end of the round
- RND 5: Repeat Rnd 1
- RND 6: Repeat Rnd 1
- RND 7: Repeat Rnd 1

Continue to knit RNDs 1-7 until the cowl measures 7.5" or until desired height. End on RND 7 and then BO (not too tight!).

Blocking: Soak in water and woolwash. Remove from wash and gently squeeze out excess water. Roll in a towel to remove more water. Lay cowl flat on a towel to dry.

Glossary:

- 2/2LC – 2X2 Left Cross Cable (place two stitches on cable needle and hold to front, knit two stitches from left needle and then knit the two stitches from the cable needle)
- BO – Bind Off
- CO – Cast On
- K – Knit
- P – Purl
- PM – Place Marker
- RND – Round
- STS – Stitches