

# TANIS FIBER ARTS

## PRISM SHAWL by Tanis Lavallée



I originally designed this simple triangular shawl to use a special skein of handspun, then modified the size to use a full skein of multicoloured fingering weight yarn. The pattern is very simple, I combined a few of my favorite shawl construction elements, added some texture, a graphic border and voila! A shawl was born.

### Materials:

Yarn: The handspun version used approx. 100g, 325 yds (yarn spun from Tanis Fiber Arts Superwash Merino Roving in 'Prism'.) The fingering weight version used approx. 130g, 500 yds (100g, 400yds of main colour 'Meadow' and 30g, 100 yds of contrasting colour 'Lemongrass' for border.)

Needle: 4mm (US 6) 24" circular needles

Tapestry needle

Scrap yarn for provisional cast on.

#### Shawl elements:

The first 3 stitches and the last 3 stitches of every row form the garter stitch border. The first stitch of every row is slipped with yarn in front.

The center stitch is always knit on right side and purled on wrong side.

The shawl is made up of three elements, stockinette stitch sections, garter stitch sections, and eyelet rows.

#### Directions:

Using provisional cast on, CO 3 sts. Knit 10 rows, slipping the first stitch of every row with yarn in front. Turn work 90 degrees, pick up 3 slipped stitches along side, undo provisional CO and knit 3 live stitches, 9 stitches on needle, you're ready to go!



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### Set up:

Row 1 (RS): s11, k2, pm, yo, k1, yo, pm, k1, pm, yo, k1, yo, pm, k3 – the markers are optional, they just help to distinguish the garter stitch borders and the center stitch.

Row 2 (WS): sl1, k2, p7, k3

Row 3(RS): s11, k2, yo, k to centre stitch, yo, k1, yo, k to last marker, yo, k3

Now, you're all set, I randomly alternated between stockinette and garter stitch portions as I pleased, every once in a while adding a row of eyelets.

Eyelet rows: s11, k2, \*yo, k2tog\* repeat until you are 1 stitch from center stitch, yo, k1, yo, k1 (center stitch) yo, k1, \*yo, k2tog\* repeat to last marker, yo, k3.

#### Border:

To begin border chart, make sure that you have a multiple of 15 stitches between first 2 markers. Example: for smaller handspun version I had 105 stitches between markers (217 sts total) and for larger fingering weight version I had 135 stitches between markers (277 sts total).

Note: Border Chart does not include edge sts or center st, continue working those sts as established.

Work border chart once, bind off using elastic bind off: k1, \*k1, transfer 2 sts back to left needle, k2tog through back loops\* repeat to end.

Block and admire!

## **BORDER CHART**





