Mod Maude

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Mod Maude was inspired by a photo of a striped mug I saw on Pinterest, where the stripes were offset in the middle. To avoid working from two balls of yarn at once, and to make it more interesting while knitting garter stitch, one half of the shawl is worked from the top out, then the second piece is joined to the first as you knit. Short rows, using simple wrapping and turning, are incorporated to vary the width of the stripes, creating an optical illusion.

Finished Size
76" / 193 cm wide x 23" / 53.5 cm long

Yarn
Knit Picks Palette (100% Peruvian Highland Wool; 231 yd [211 m]/1.75 oz [50 gm]): 2 balls White (MC); 1 ball each Blush (CC1), Rose Hip (CC2), Sky (CC3), Mist (CC4), Golden Heather (CC5), Alflafa (CC6), Custard (CC7), Black (CC8). For a 2 color shawl, use 2 balls of MC, and 2 balls of CC, and ignore number designations on the CCs throughout pattern.

Needles
29" circular US size 6(4 mm). Adjust hook or needle size if necessary to obtain correct gauge, however gauge is not essential to this project.

Notions
10 Stitch markers; tapestry needle; stitch holder or safety pin.

Gauge
20 sts and 46 rows = 4" in garter stitch on US size 6(4mm) needles after blocking. Gauge is not essential for this project, but finished size will vary depending on gauge.

Abbreviations
MC: main Color
CC1-8: contrasting Color(s)
kfb: knit into the front and back of the st
LN: left needle
PM: place marker
RN: right needle
RS: right side
ssk: slip 1, slip 1, knit these two sts together tbl (see Notes on joining)
tbl: through the back loop
w&t: wrap and turn, *removing marker.* sl 1 with yarn in back, remove marker, bring yarn forward, sl st back to left needle, turn
WS: wrong side
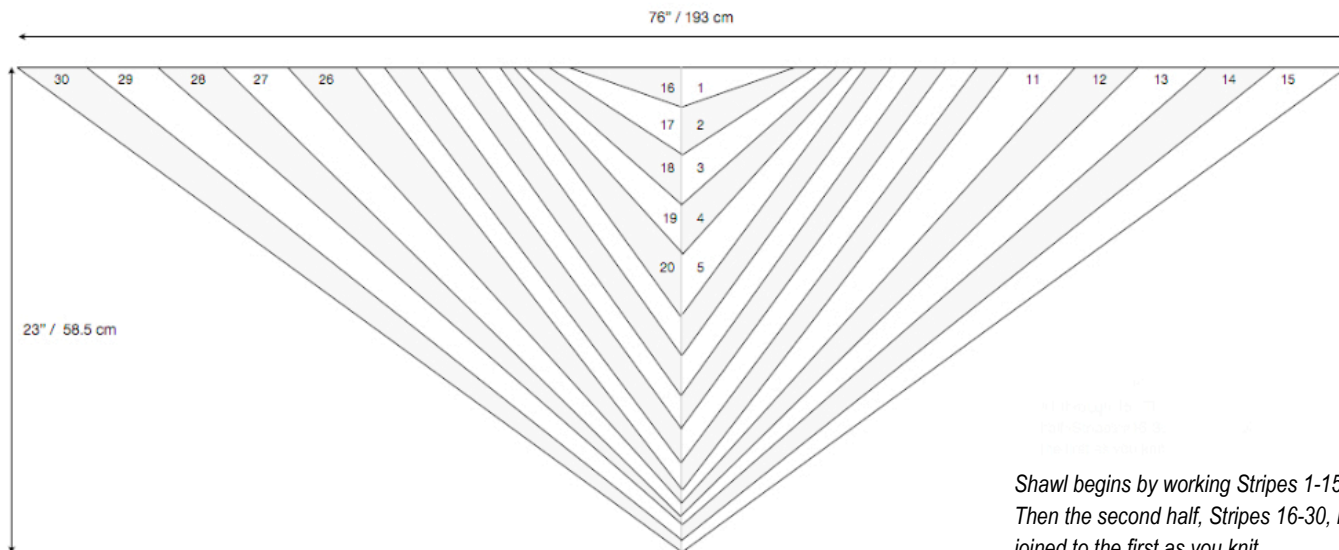**[ ]:** repeat stiches number of times indicated

Notes
Second piece is joined to the first as you knit. Slip the last stitch of the row purlwise, then insert RN from the back into the edge st of the first piece. Insert LN back into these two sts, and knit them together tbl.

Picking Up and Knitting Wraps:
For Stripes 2-5 and 26-30: When picking up and knitting wraps on the RS, insert RN under the wrap first, then into wrapped stitch as if to knit. Knit the wrap and the st together.

For Stripes 11-15 and 17-21: When picking up and knitting wraps on the WS, insert RN into wrapped stitch as if to knit first, then under wrap. Knit st and the wrap together.

76" / 193 cm

23" / 58.5 cm

Shawl begins by working Stripes 1-15. Then the second half, Stripes 16-30, is joined to the first as you knit.

Piece 1 (first half)

Stripe 1
With MC, CO 7 sts.
Row 1 (RS): Kfb, knit to last 2 sts, kfb twice. (10 sts)
Row 2: Knit.
Repeat rows 1-2 9 more times. Break yarn. (37 sts)

Stripe 2
Join CC1.
Row 1 (RS): Kfb, knit to last 2 sts, kfb, k1. (39 sts)
Row 2: K5, PM, [k4, PM] 7 times, knit to end. (*Note: 8 markers placed on each Stripe 2-5*)
Row 3: Kfb, knit to 1 st before first marker, w&t, removing marker.
Row 4 and all even rows: Knit.
Row 5: Kfb, knit to 1 st before marker, picking up and knitting wrap with its st as you come to it, w&t, removing marker.
Repeat rows 4-5 6 more times.
Row 18: Knit
Row 19: Kfb, knit to last 2 sts, kfb, k1.
Row 20: Knit all sts. Break yarn. (49 sts)

Stripe 3
Join MC.
Row 1 (RS): Kfb, knit to last 2 sts, kfb, k1. (51 sts)
Row 2: K7, PM, [k5, PM] 7 times, knit to end.
Work Rows 3-20 as for Stripe 2. (61 sts)

Stripe 4
Join CC2.
Row 1 (RS): Kfb, knit to last 2 sts, kfb, k1. (63 sts)
Row 2: [K7, PM] 8 times, knit to end.
Work Rows 3-20 as for Stripe 2. (73 sts)

Stripe 5
Join MC.
Row 1 (RS): Kfb, knit to last 2 sts, kfb, k1. (75 sts)
Row 2: K9, PM, [k8, PM] 7 times, knit to end.
Work Rows 3-20 as for Stripe 2. (85 sts)

Stripe 6
Join CC3.
Row 1 (RS): Kfb, knit to last 2 sts, kfb, k1. (87 sts)
Row 2: Knit.
Repeat Rows 1-2 5 more times. Break yarn. (97 sts)

Stripes 7-10
Work as Stripe 6, alternating MC, CC4, MC, then CC5 for each stripe. (109; 121; 133; 145 sts)

Stripe 11
Join MC.
Row 1 (RS): Kfb, k11, PM, [k13, PM] 9 times, knit to last 2 sts, kfb, k1. (147 sts)
(*Note: 10 markers placed on each Stripe 11-15*)
Row 2: Knit to 1 st before marker, w&t, removing marker.
Row 3: Knit to last 2 sts, kfb, k1.

Repeat Rows 2-3 9 more times, picking up and knitting wraps as you come to them.
Row 22: Knit.
Row 23: Kfb, knit to last 2 sts, kfb, k1.
Row 24: Knit. Break yarn. (159 sts)

Stripe 12
Join CC6.
Row 1 (RS): Kfb, [k14, PM] 10 times, knit to last 2 sts, kfb, k1. (161 sts)

Work Rows 2-24 as for Stripe 11. (173 sts)

Stripe 13
Join MC.
Row 1 (RS): Kfb, k13, PM, [k16, PM] 9 times, knit to last 2 sts, kfb, k1. (175 sts)
Work Rows 2-24 as for Stripe 11. (187 sts)

Stripe 14
Join CC7.
Row 1 (RS): Kfb, [k17, PM] 10 times, knit to last 2 sts, kfb, k1. (189 sts)
Work Rows 2-24 as for Stripe 11. (201 sts)

Stripe 15
Join MC.
Row 1 (RS): Kfb, [k18, PM] 10 times, knit to last 2 sts, kfb, k1. (203 sts)
Work Rows 2-23 as for Stripe 11. (215 sts)
Row 24 (WS): Bind off as follows: K1, [k1, sl those 2 sts back to LN, k2tog tbl] to the last st. Place last st on stitch holder.

Piece 2 (second half)

Stripe 16
With CC8, CO 7 sts.
Row 1 (RS): Kfb twice, knit to last 2 sts, kfb, ssk to first piece. (10 sts)
Row 2: Knit.
Repeat Rows 1-2 9 more times. Break yarn. (37 sts)

Stripe 17
Join MC.
Row 1 (RS): K1, kfb, k3, PM, [k4, PM] 7 times, k2, kfb, ssk to first piece (see Notes). (39 sts)
Row 2: Knit to 1 st before marker, w&t, removing marker.
Row 3: Knit to last 2 sts, kfb, ssk to first piece.
Repeat Rows 2-3 7 more times, picking up and knitting wraps on the WS as you come to them.
Row 18: Knit.
Row 19: K1, kfb, knit to last 2 sts, kfb, ssk to first piece.
Row 20: Knit. Break yarn. (49 sts)

Stripe 18
Join CC5.
Row 1 (RS): K1, kfb, k6, PM, [k5, PM] 7 times, k4, kfb, ssk to first piece. (51 sts)
Work Rows 2-20 as for Stripe 17. (61 sts)

Stripe 19
Join MC.
Row 1 (RS): K1, kfb, k4, PM, [k7, PM] 7 times, k4, kfb, ssk to first piece. (63 sts)

Work Rows 2-20 as for Stripe 17. (73 sts)

Stripe 20
Join CC6.
Row 1 (RS): K1, kfb, k7, PM, [k8, PM] 7 times, k6, kfb, ssk to first piece. (75 sts)
Work Rows 2-20 as for Stripe 17. (85 sts)

Stripe 21
Join MC.
Row 1 (RS): K1, kfb, knit to last 2 sts, kfb, ssk to first piece. (87 sts)
Row 2: Knit.
Repeat Rows 1-2 five more times. Break yarn. (97 sts)

Work *Stripes 22 - 25* as Stripe 21, alternating CC7, MC, CC8, then MC for each stripe. (109; 121; 133; 145 sts)

Stripe 26
Join CC1.
Row 1 (RS): K1, kfb, knit to last 2 sts, kfb, ssk to first piece. (147 sts)
Row 2: [K13, PM] 10 times, knit to end.
Row 3: K1, kfb, knit to 1 st before marker, w&t, removing marker.
Row 4: Knit.
Repeat Rows 3-4 9 more times, picking up and knitting wraps on the RS as you come to them.
Row 22: Knit.
Row 23: K1, kfb, picking up and knitting wrap as you come to it, knit to last 2 sts, kfb, ssk to first piece.
Row 24: Knit. (159 sts)

Stripe 27
Join MC.
Row 1 (RS): K1, kfb, knit to last 2 sts, kfb, ssk to first piece. (161 sts)
Row 2: K16, PM, [k14, PM] 9 times, knit to end.
Work Rows 3-24 as for Stripe 26. (173 sts)

Stripe 28
Join CC2.
Row 1 (RS): K1, kfb, knit to last 2 sts, kfb, ssk to first piece. (175 sts)
Row 2: K15, PM, [k16, PM] 9 times, knit to end.
Work Rows 3-24 as for Stripe 26. (187 sts)

Stripe 29
Join MC.
Row 1 (RS): K1, kfb, knit to last 2 sts, kfb, ssk to first piece. (189 sts)
Row 2: K19, PM, [k17, PM] 9 times, knit to end.
Work Rows 3-24 as for Stripe 26. (201 sts)

Stripe 30
Join CC3.
Row 1: K1, kfb, knit to last 2 sts, kfb, ssk to first piece. (203 sts)
Row 2: K20, PM, [k18, PM] 9 times, knit to end.
Work Rows 3-23 as for Stripe 26. (215 sts)
Row 24: Bind off with wrong side facing as follows: Place last stitch from Stripe 15 on RN. *K1, sl 2 sts back to LN, k2tog tbl. Repeat from * to the end.

Finishing: Weave in all ends. Soak shawl, gently squeeze out water, and roll in a towel to remove excess water. Block by laying flat to dry.
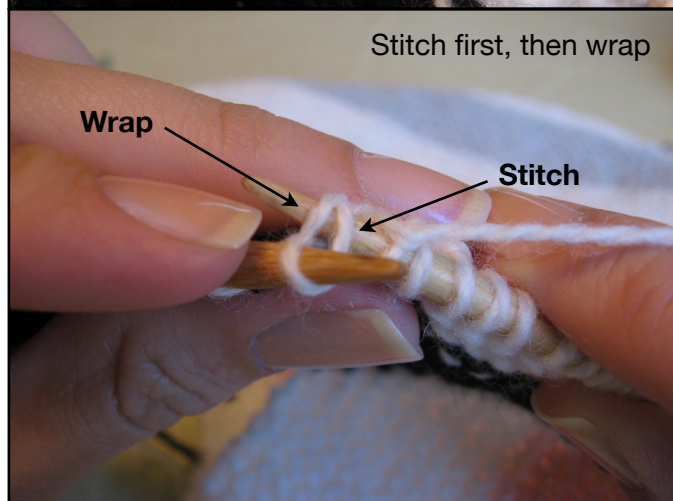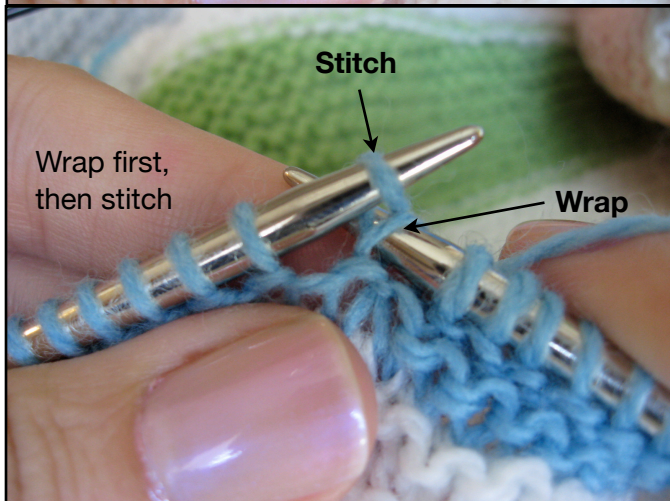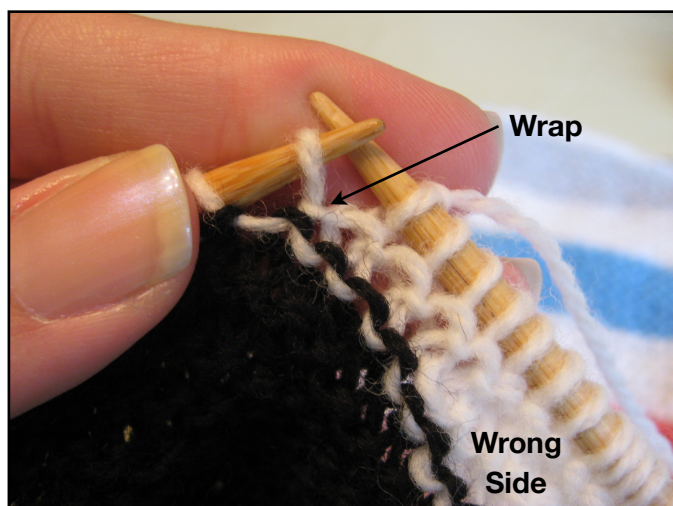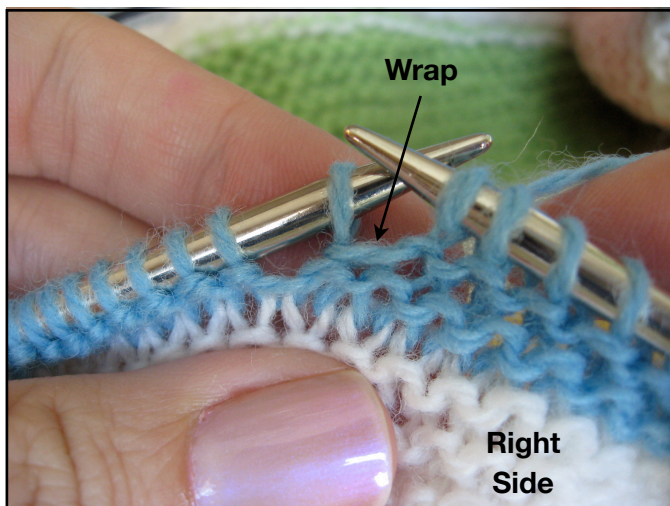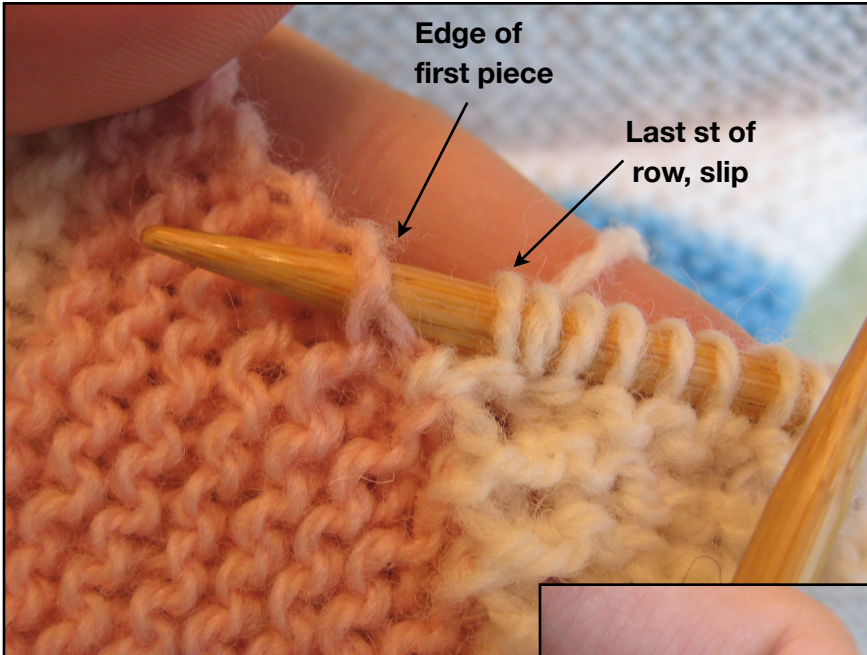
Mod Maude Appendix

Picking up and Knitting Wraps

For Stripes 2-5 and 26-30: When picking up and knitting wraps on the Right Side, insert Right Needle under the wrap first, then into wrapped stitch as if to knit. Knit the wrap and the stitch together.

For Stripes 11-15 and 17-21: When picking up and knitting wraps on the Wrong Side, insert Right Needle into wrapped stitch as if to knit first, then under wrap. Knit stitch and the wrap together.

Wrap

Right Side

Stitch

Wrap first, then stitch

Wrap

Wrap

Wrong Side

Stitch first, then wrap

Wrap

Stitch

Joining Second Piece with SSK

Edge of first piece

Last st of row, slip

1. Second piece is joined to the first as you knit. Slip the last stitch of the row, then insert Right Needle from the back into the edge st of the first piece (pick up two strands at the garter ridge when doing this).

2. Insert Left Needle into the front these two stitches, and knit them together through the back loop.