

Janice's Drop-Stitch Shawl



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Sketched-On-A-Napkin Designs

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Materials

Yarn: 1000 yards of worsted weight, smooth, space-dyed yarn

Needles: 29" (or longer) circular needles Size US #7 and #8

Abbreviations

CO = Cast On; ST = Stitch(es); K = Knit.

Instructions

Set-Up

CO 240 sts on size #8 needle.

Pattern Repeats

Switch to size #7 needle and repeat the following sequence 8 times (or until shawl is approximately 22" wide. *Note: To make sure that you do not run out of yarn, cut the fringe before you begin knitting with the last ball of skein of yarn. Using a book or piece of cardboard that is the length of the fringe you prefer, loosely wrap the yarn around it 72 times (4 strands times 9 fringes, times two-ends) and cut into strands.*

Row 1: Knit
Row 2: Knit
Row 3: Knit

Row 4: Knit
Row 5: Knit
Row 6: Knit
Row 7: K each st, wrapping yarn around needle **3 times** instead of just once.
Row 8: K each st, inserting right-hand needle into the first of the 3 wraps. As you slide the st off of the left-hand needle, allow the 2 extra wraps to drop off of the needle. After every 10th st, gently tug on the fabric to stretch out the dropped yarn, creating the long stitches.
Row 9: Knit
Row 10: Knit
Row 11: K each st, wrapping yarn **3 times** as in Row 7.
Row 12: K each st, dropping extra wraps as in Row 8.

Finishing

Work Rows 1 – 6 above one more time. Bind off using Size 8 needle.

Use remaining yarn to make fringe, placing 4 – 5 strands of fringe in center of each 6-row garter st bar. Trim the fringe to make it even. Weave in ends. Steam or block to shape.