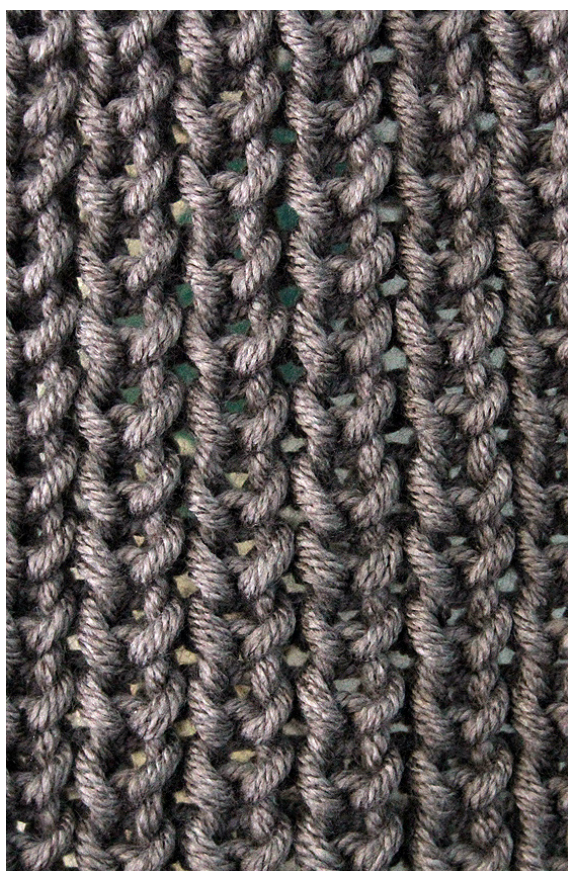


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Hometown Cowl

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ABOUT

I designed this cowl right before making a 1200 mile move. The yarn had been purchased to make a cowl for my mom, and I couldn't find the "right" pattern that I was looking for online. My mom deserved something warm and cushy, and half fisherman's rib was the right choice. Off to the designing board I went, and what you see here is the result.

This cowl is a quick and easy knit, only utilizing knit and purl stitches, slipped stitches, and knitting in the row below. It is perfect for gifting with holiday deadlines looming, or if you are looking for a delightfully squishy way to use up that super bulky yarn in your stash. Since it is knit flat with a two-row repeat and grafted, it is a mindless knit perfect for friendly gatherings or relaxing and watching a movie.

Needles: US size 13 (9 mm) 10" (25cm) Straight Needles

Yarn Used: Universal Yarn Uptown Bulky | Super Bulky | 100% Acrylic | 87 yards (80 meters) / 3.53 ounces (100 grams) | Colorway: Latte

Yardage: 174 yards (160 meters)

Gauge: 13 stitches and 16 rows = 4 inches in half fishermens' rib stitch. Gauge is not crucial to this project but different gauges will affect size and amount of yarn used.

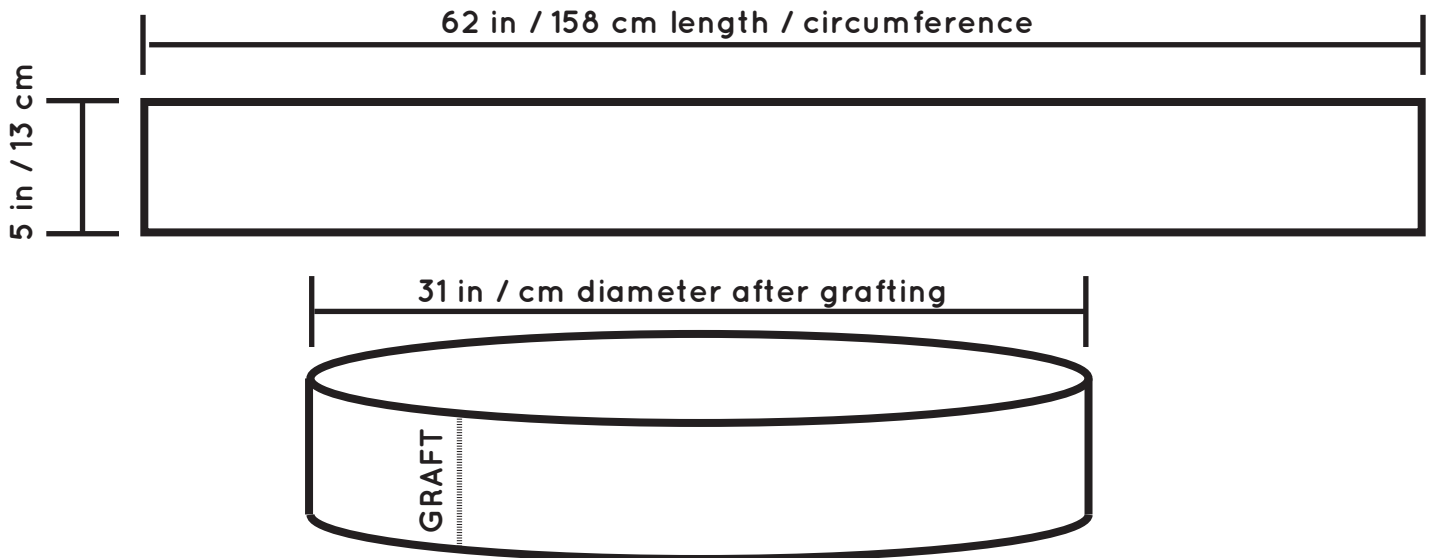
Other Notions: Darning Needle, Scissors

Final Measurements:

Width: 5" / 13 cm

Circumference: 62" / 158 cm

Schematic:



STITCH ABBREVIATIONS

K - Knit

P - Purl

K1B - Knit the next stitch into the row below.

S1P - Slip the next stitch as if to purl, with the yarn in back of the working row.

PATTERN NOTES

Construction

This cowl is provisionally cast on, knit flat, and then the ends are grafted together. There is a modified version of kitchener stitch on page 6 that helps the ribbing pattern to line up better.

Hints

This pattern uses a slipped stitch selvage edge. In combination with the edge stitches, it is easy for the slipped stitch edging to be loose and sloppy looking. I highly recommend keeping an eye on your edge stitch tension, and after the first and second stitches of each row, giving the yarn a tug before moving onto the next stitch.

Additional Resources

For high-resolution images of the sample design and additional information, please visit <http://www.daisychainknits.com/patterns/hometown-cowl>

PRINTING INSTRUCTIONS

This pattern was created with ease of printing in mind. If you would like to work the pattern using:

Written Instructions - Print Page 4 and Page 6

Charted Instructions - Print Page 5 through Page 6

WRITTEN INSTRUCTIONS

Cast On

17 stitches using a provisional cast on method.

Provisional Cast On Instructions

Using waste yarn, make a slip knot on the crochet hook. Begin with the yarn at the back of the knitting needle. Wrap the yarn around the knitting needle and the crochet hook and pull through the stitch on the crochet hook. The yarn is now in the front of the knitting needle. Bring the yarn to the back of the needle. Repeat the last step until the desired number of stitches are cast on. Cut the waste yarn. I use a locking stitch marker through the last loop on the crochet hook to hold the last stitch from unravelling.

Setup Rows

Setup Rows 1 (RS): S1P, K15, P.

Setup Row 2 (WS): S1P, K, (P, K) 7x, P.

Main Body

Work Half Fisherman's Rib until 62 in / 158 cm long, OR until you have 18 in / 46 cm of working yarn left. You will need this yarn for grafting.

Half Fisherman's Rib (HFR)

HFR Row 1: S1P, K15, P. (16 sts)

HFR Row 2: S1P, K1B, (P , K1B) 7x, P.

Finishing Instructions:

1. Remove provisional cast on and place live stitches on back needle.
2. Making sure the cowl is not twisted, fold the cowl in half with wrong sides together.
3. Using a tapestry needle, use kitchener stitch to graft both sides together with the modifications on Page 6 to make sure the ribs line up.
4. Weave in ends.

CHARTED INSTRUCTIONS

Chart Key

□ RS: K
WS: P

∇ S1P

● RS: P
WS: K

⌢ K1B

□ Repeat

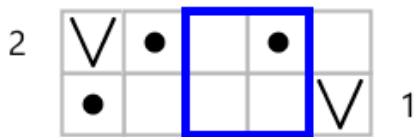
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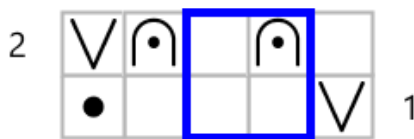
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Half Fisherman's Rib



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MODIFIED KITCHENER STITCH

Setup Stitches

1. On the front needle, place the tapestry needle through the first stitch as if to purl.
2. On the back needle, place the tapestry needle through the first two stitches together as if to knit. In Step 5, work these two stitches together as one stitch.

Kitchener

3. On the front needle, place the tapestry needle through the next stitch as if to knit, and then slip the stitch off the needle.
4. On the front needle, place the tapestry needle through the next stitch as if to purl, leaving the stitch on the needle.
5. On the back needle, place the tapestry needle through the next stitch as if to purl, and then slip the stitch off the needle.
6. On the back needle, place the tapestry needle through the next stitch as if to knit, leaving the stitch on the needle.
7. Repeat steps 3-6 until you have three stitches left on the front needle and two on the back needle.

Finishing Stitches

8. On the front needle, place the tapestry needle through the next stitch as if to knit, and then slip the stitch off the needle.
9. On the front needle, place the tapestry needle through the next two stitches together as if to purl, leaving the stitches on the needle.
10. On the back needle, place the tapestry needle through the next stitch as if to purl, and then slip the stitch off the needle.
11. On the back needle, place the tapestry needle through the next stitch as if to knit, leaving the stitch on the needle.
12. On the front needle, place the tapestry needle through the two stitches together as if to knit, and slip the stitches off the needle.
13. On the back needle, place the tapestry needle through the last stitch as if to purl, and slip the stitch off the needle.

VERSION HISTORY

v0 - Draft Pattern for Test Knitting

v0.1 - Draft Pattern for Test Knitting - Balanced Edge Stitches, added Provisional Cast On Instructions, added pattern notes.

v1 - Published Pattern

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