

okapi



Materials: 2 skeins of Eco Llama, 1 each main colour and contrasting colour

Needles: 3mm (US 2 or 3) 100cm (40") circular needles

Tension: tension is not critical for this project

Finished Measurements:

Length 72"

Width at widest part 13.5"

This soft, stripey shawl starts out on the bias and then goes off on a tangent with stripes and subtle lace. Knit with undyed llama, it's light and warm and breathable.

Abbreviations

MC: main colour

CC: contrasting colour

RS: right side

WS: wrong side

k2tog: knit 2 stitches together

ssk: slip the next 2 stitches from left needle to right needle knitwise, one at a time, then knit them together.

yo: yarn over

pm: place marker

w&t: wrap and turn. Short row instructions can be found here:

<http://www.stitchdiva.com/tutorials/knitting/short-rows>

Setup: Using MC, cast on 7 sts. **Slide sts all the way to the other end of the needle.** Do not turn work.

Setup row 1: Using CC, p4, yo, place marker, p3. **Turn work.** Until the end of section 2, **always slide sts to the other end of your needle, and** only turn work at the end of CC rows.

Setup row 2: Using MC, p3, slm, yo, p to end. Slide sts back.

Setup row 3: Using CC, p3, slm, yo, k to last 2 sts, k2tog. Turn work. 9 sts.

Section 1

*Row 1 (RS) - MC: k to marker, yo, slm, k3. Slide sts back.

Row 2 (RS) - CC: p to marker, yo, slm, k3. Turn work.

Row 3 (WS) - MC: p3, slm, yo, p to end. Slide sts back.

Row 4 (WS) - CC: p3, slm, yo, k to 2 sts before end, k2tog*. Turn work

Repeat from * to * 35 more times. 114 sts.

Section 2

**Row 1 (RS) - MC: k to marker, yo, slm, k3. Slide sts back.

Row 2 (RS) - CC: p2tog, p to marker, slm, k3. Turn work.

Row 3 (WS) - MC: p3, slm, yo, p to end. Slide sts back.

Row 4 (WS) - CC: p3, slm, k to 2 sts before end, k2tog. Turn work.**

Rep from ** to ** 10 more times. If you want a longer shawl, this is a good place to add length by repeating this section more times. Remove marker on last row.

Lateral braid

Using MC, ***knit the **second** st on the left-hand needle through the back loop, don't drop it off the needle yet! Knit the **FIRST** stitch on the left-hand needle. Drop both sts off the needle. Slip the last st you just knit **BACK** to the left-hand needle.*** Switch to the CC, repeat from *** to ***. Keep switching from MC to CC and repeat those 2 sts until the last st you slip back, k1. You should have the CC as the last stitch. Turn work.

Section 3

Setup Row 1 (WS) - CC: sl2, (p1, sl1) to end, slide sts to the other end of needle.

Setup Row 2 (WS) - MC: sl1, (p1, sl1) to last st, p1. Turn work.

Row 1 (MC): k1, ssk, w&t, k to end.

Row 2 (CC): k to wrapped stitch, knit wrapped stitch together with its wrap, w&t, k to end.

Row 3 (MC): k to last wrapped stitch, ssk by knitting wrapped stitch with its wrap and next stitch together, w&t, k to end.

Row 4 (CC): k to wrapped stitch, knit wrapped stitch together with its wrap, w&t, k to end.

Repeat rows 3 and 4 until you have reached the left side, ending on row 3. 76 sts.

Section 4

Row 1 CC: k to 4 sts before end, k2tog, k2.

Row 2: p3, k to end.

Row 3 MC: knit across.

Row 4: p3, k to end.

Row 5 & 6 and every pair of CC rows from now til the end: knit the same as rows 1 & 2.

Row 7 MC: k69, k2 tog, yo, k to end.

Row 8: p3, k10, pm, k to end.

CC rows

Row 11 & 12: as rows 3 & 4.

CC rows

Row 15 MC: k to marker, (k2tog, yo, k2) X2, k3.

Row 16: p3, k to marker, remove marker, k8, pm, k to end.

CC rows

Row 19 & 20: as rows 3 & 4.

CC rows

Row 23 MC: k to marker, (k2tog, yo, k2) X4, k1.

Row 24: as row 16.

CC rows

Row 27 & 28: as rows 3 & 4.

CC rows

Row 31 MC: k to marker, (k2tog, yo, k2) X5, k3.

Row 32: as row 16.

CC rows

Row 35 & 36: as rows 3 & 4.

CC rows

Row 39 MC: k to marker, (k2tog, yo, k2) X7, k1.

Row 40: as row 16.

CC rows

Row 43 & 44: as rows 3 & 4.

CC rows

Row 47 MC: k to marker, (k2tog, yo, k2) X8, k to end.

Row 48: as row 16.

CC rows

Row 51 & 52: as rows 3 & 4.

CC rows

Row 55 MC: k to marker, (k2tog, yo, k2) X10, k1.

Row 56: as row 16.

CC rows

Row 59 & 60: as rows 3 & 4.

CC rows

Row 63 MC: k to marker, (k2tog, yo, k2) X11, k to end.

Row 64: as row 16.

CC rows

Row 67 & 68: as rows 3 & 4.

CC rows

Row 71 MC: k to marker, (k2tog, yo, k2) X13, k1.

Row 72: p3, pm, k to previous marker, remove marker, k to end.

CC rows

Row 75 & 76: as rows 3 & 4.

CC rows

****Row 79 MC: k1, (k2tog, yo, k2) as many times as you can before the marker (**you won't always get the full repeat**, just stop before the **last 3 sts**), k3.

Row 80: p3, k to end.

CC rows

Row 83 & 84: as rows 3 & 4.

CC rows****

Rep from **** to **** until there are only 6 sts left, ending on a WS CC row.

Using MC, bind off all sts. Break both yarn strands. Block shawl. Weave in ends.

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