

THE VERY GIFTED COWL

A super-versatile cowl pattern that is simplicity itself. With details for eight yarn weights so you can use almost any yarn (or combination of yarns) you like. Make one for you, one for a friend!

Finished Size:	28"/71cm circumference x desired depth (we like 6–16"/15–40cm deep; see next page for handy depth calculator).		
Yarn weights (gauge on ball band):	Fingering (Sport , DK, Light Worsted , Worsted, Heavy Worsted , Chunky, Bulky) / 28-30 (24 , 22, 20 , 18, 16 , 14, 12) stitches = 4"/10cm. <i>Instructions are given for fingering weight with other weights in parentheses (); where only one number is given, it refers to all weights.</i>		
Yardage required <u>per knitted inch</u> of cowl depth:	Approx. 30 (24 , 24, 20 , 20, 20 , 14, 14) yds/27.5 (22 , 22, 18.5 , 18.5, 18.5 , 13, 13)m. Note: If stranding two or more yarns together, you will need required yardage in <u>each</u> yarn. See next page to calculate how many inches one skein of your selected yarn(s) will yield; you may decided you want more than one skein.		
Needles & Notions:	US 3 (5 , 7, 8 , 9, 10 , 11, 13) /3.25 (3.75 , 4.5, 5 , 5.5, 6 , 7, 9)mm 16–24"/40–60cm circular needle, or size to obtain finished gauge. <i>Note: We're suggesting a slightly larger needle than recommended on ball band to 'open up' the gauge for softer drape.</i> Plus one needle 1–2 sizes larger than gauge needle, for binding off. Stitch marker; darning needle.		
Finished gauge:	Approx. 26 (22 , 20, 18 , 16, 14 , 12, 10) stitches = 4"/10cm in stockinette stitch in the round, after blocking. <i>Note: If stranding two or more yarns together, choose gauge that matches blocked gauge of your fabric.</i>		
Cast on:	Using cable cast-on method, cast on 182 (154 , 140, 126 , 112, 98 , 84, 70) stitches. Do not join in the round yet.		
Edging row (right side):	Purl. At end of row, do not turn. Place marker on right needle and join to work in round, being careful not to twist.		
Stockinette stitch:	Knit every round until work measures desired depth <u>and</u> you have at least 4 yds/3.5m of yarn left to bind off.		
Bind off:	Bind off <u>purlwise</u> , working loosely (or using larger needle in right hand) to match tension of cast-on edge. Or, turn work so inside of cowl is facing you and bind off <u>knitwise</u> .		
Finishing:	Weave in ends on wrong side. Gently steam- or wet-block; allow to dry, turning occasionally to avoid setting creases. Pop it on, or wrap it up!		
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THE VERY GIFTED COWL How many skeins do I need?

Choose your yarn, then calculate approximately how deep a cowl you can knit with one skein using the appropriate box below. If stranding two or more yarns together, choose the gauge that matches the blocked (finished) gauge of your fabric.

FINGERING WEIGHT	SPORT WEIGHT	DK WEIGHT	LIGHT WORSTED WEIGHT
28-30 = 4"/10cm on ball band	24 = 4"/10cm on ball band	22 = 4"/10cm on ball band	20 = 4"/10cm on ball band
Yarn: yds/skein	Yarn: yds/skein	Yarn: yds/skein	Yarn: yds/skein
÷ 30 yds per knitted inch	÷ 24 yds per knitted inch	÷ 24 yds per knitted inch	÷ 20 yds per knitted inch
of cowl (28"/71cm circ.)	of cowl (28"/71cm circ.)	of cowl (28"/71cm circ.)	of cowl (28"/71cm circ.)
= inches per skein.	= inches per skein.	= inches per skein.	= inches per skein.
US 3 (3.25mm) needle	US 5 (3.75mm) needle	US 7 (4.5mm) needle	US 8 (5mm) needle
(or size to achieve finished gauge	(or size to achieve finished gauge	(or size to achieve finished gauge	(or size to achieve finished gauge
of 26 sts = 4"/10cm).	of 22 sts = 4"/10cm).	of 20 sts = 4"/10cm).	of 18 sts = 4"/10cm).
WORSTED WEIGHT	HEAVY WORSTED WEIGHT	BULKY WEIGHT	CHUNKY WEIGHT
18 = 4"/10cm on ball band	16 = 4"/10cm on ball band	14 = 4"/10cm on ball band	12 = 4"/10cm on ball band
Yarn: yds/skein ÷ 20 yds per knitted inch of cowl (28"/71cm circ.)	Yarn: yds/skein ÷ 20 yds per knitted inch of cowl (28"/71cm circ.)	Yarn: yds/skein yds/skein ÷ 14 yds per knitted inch of cowl (28"/71cm circ.)	Yarn: yds/skein ÷ 14 yds per knitted inch of cowl (28"/71cm circ.)
= inches per skein.	= inches per skein.	= inches per skein.	= inches per skein.
US 9 (5.5mm) needle	US 10 (6mm) needle	US 11 (7mm) needle	US 13 (9mm) needle
(or size to achieve finished gauge	(or size to achieve finished gauge	(or size to achieve finished gauge	(or size to achieve finished gauge
of 16 sts = 4"/10cm).	of 14 sts = 4"/10cm).	of 12 sts = 4"/10cm).	of 10 sts = 4"/10cm).