

Arya's Water Dancer Cowl
Game of Thrones Mystery KAL
For Jimmy Beans Wool
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Materials:

2 skeins of Lorna's Laces Haymarket (or approximately 430 yds of a worsted weight yarn)
US 7 - 24" circular needle
US 8 - 24" (or shorter) circular needle
Extra double point needle, stitch holder or cable needle
3 stitch markers
8 to 10 - 1/2" or 5/8" buttons
Any episodes of Game of Thrones (or the audio book) to enjoy while you knit!

Gauge:

20 sts & 24 rows in Stockinette Stitch on US 8 Needle

Finished Measurements:

26" circumference
15.5" bottom edge of front and back flaps
16" tall front
18" tall back

Abbreviations:

CO - cast on
sts - stitches
pm - place marker
k – knit
p – purl
yo - yarn over
yo2 - yarn over 2 times, also known as a double yo
k1 f&b - knit in front and back of the same stitch, an increase
k2tog - knit 2 together, a decrease
sl – slip stitch
pw - purlwise

Directions:

Set-up:

CO 120 sts with smaller needle

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*Place marker and join for knitting in the round

Rnds 1-6: knit in garter stitch (k 1 rnd, purl 1 rnd)

Section 1:

Rnds 1-7: switch to larger needle and knit in stockinette stitch (knit every rnd.)

Rnd 8: purl

*Repeat rounds 1-8 twice more (you will have a total of 3 sections with 3 purl ridges).

Section 2- Short Rows:

Row 1: K to 6 sts before marker, yarn forward (yf), slip next stitch purlwise (pw), yarn back (yb), slip same stitch back to left needle, turn work.

Row2: P to 6 sts before marker, yb, slip next stitch pw, yf, slip same stitch back to left needle, turn work.

Row 3: K to 6 sts before last wrapped stitch, yf, slip next stitch pw, yb, slip same stitch back to left hand needle, turn work.

Row 4: Purl to 6 sts before last wrapped stitch, yb, slip next stitch pw, yf, slip same stitch back to left needle, turn work.

*Rows 5-8 repeat rows 3 & 4 twice more.

Row 9: K to 2 sts before marker (picking up wraps and knitting them together with the slipped stitches as you come to them), yf, slip next stitch pw, yb, turn work to purl back the opposite direction.

Row 10: Purl to 2 sts before marker (picking up wraps and purling them together with the slipped stitches as you come to them), yb, slip next stitch pw, yf, turn work to knit back the opposite direction.

Row 11: Knit all the way around to marker (picking up slipped stitch wrap and knitting the two stitches together, you will not turn your work on this round.)

Row 12 (return to knitting in the round): Purl entire round, picking up wrapped stitch and purling the two together when needed.

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*Repeat rows 1-12 (entire short row section) twice more.

Section 3- Knitting in the Round:

Rnds1-8: Knit

Rnd 9: Purl

*Repeat twice more for a total of three times.

Section 4- Dividing for Front and Back Flaps:

Rnd 1: Knit

Rnd 2: Purl

Rnd 3: Knit

Rnd 4: Purl*

*On the last purl round, place markers as follows: p30, pm, p60, pm, p30.

Separating the Front Flap from the Back Flap:

Remove marker at beginning of round and cut yarn leaving at least a 6" tail.

Working from the beginning of the round, slip stitches pw from left to right needle to 2 sts before the first side marker.

Rejoin yarn, K1 f&b (5 times), slipping marker when you come to it. You should have 2 increases on the right side of the marker and 3 on the left side.

K to 3 sts before the next marker, K1 f&b (5 times), slipping marker when you come to it. You should have 3 increases on the right side of the marker and 2 on the left side.

K to 4 sts before the next marker. K next st, sl 2nd st onto the size 7 needle that you cast on with or waste yarn and hold behind your work.

Work the next 8 stitches in this same manner, knitting one, slipping the next onto the extra needle or waste yarn.

Remove stitch marker when you come to it. You will have knit 5 sts on main needle, and 5 stitches on extra circular needle or waste yarn.

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Leaving main needle for a minute, slip all the stitches up to 5 sts before the next marker on to the extra needle or waste yarn.

Slip next stitch with extra double point needle (DPN) or cable needle and hold to front, slip next stitch onto the circular needle or waste yarn and hold to the back.

Continue slipping 1 stitch onto DPN or cable needle, and the next stitch onto extra circular or waste yarn until you have 5 sts on the DPN or cable needle.

Remove stitch marker when you come to it (this is the back.)

You should now have 66 sts on the extra circular or waste yarn with 5 sts on either end that overlap with 5 sts for the front section. The back section's sts will lie underneath the overlap, while the front sts are on the outside.

Slip stitches from DPN or cable needle onto right side end of main circular needle. You should now have 64 sts on main/front needle (this is the front.)

Front Flap:

Leaving the back sts resting on the extra circular needle or waste yarn, work front panel as follows:

Set up row: k 5, pm, p to last 5 sts, pm, k 5

Begin working modified Bird's Eye Lace as follows and **at the same time** work button holes as directed. (Directions for button holes are just below the lace directions.)

Bird's Eye Lace:

Row 1: k5, k1, *yo2, k2tog (twice); repeat from * to 1 st before marker, yo2, k1, k5. (66 sts)

Row 2: k5, p1, *(k1, p1) into double yo, p2; repeat from * to 3 sts before marker, (k1, p1) into double yo, p1, k5.

Row 3: k5, *k2tog (twice), yo2; repeat from * to 4 sts before marker, k2tog (twice), k5 (64 sts)

Row 4: k5, *p2, (k1, p1) into double yo; repeat from * to 2 sts before marker, p2, k5.

*repeat rows 1-4 of the Birds Eye Lace until front measures 5.5" ending with a row 4.

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Button Holes:

*Every 6th row or so, you will make button holes in the 5 sts on either side of the lace pattern on the outside of the stitch markers. You want your button holes to be spaced about 1"-1.5" apart. This isn't an exact science, so space them however you prefer.

Button Hole Row: k2, yo, k2tog, k1, slip marker, work Birds Eye Lace across on whatever row you are on, slip marker, k1, k2tog, yo, k2

*Once your piece measures 5.5" and you've finished your Birds Eye Lace, you should have about 4 or 5 button holes on each side depending on how closely you spaced them.

Finishing:

Work 6 rows of garter stitch (knit every row).

Bind off and weave in ends.

Back Flap:

Slip the stitches that have been resting on the extra circular or waste yarn onto the larger circular needle and join yarn with the wrong side facing.

K 5, P to last 5 sts, K 5

Begin working 4-row Bird's Eye Lace pattern:

*Note: You will not work buttonholes on this flap.

Birds Eye Lace Pattern (slightly different than above):

Row 1: k5, *k2tog (twice), yo2; repeat from * to 4 sts before marker, k2tog (twice), k5 (64 sts)

Row 2: k5, *p2, (k1, p1) into double yo; repeat from * to 2 sts before marker, p2, k5.

Row 3: k5, k1, *yo2, k2tog (twice); repeat from * to 1 st before marker, yo2, k1, k5. (66 sts)

Row 4: k5, p1, *(k1, p1) into double yo, p2; repeat from * to 3 sts before marker, (k1, p1) into double yo, p1, k5.

*Repeat rows 1-4 until piece measures 5.5" from start of lace.

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Once flap measures 5.5", knit 6 rows in garter stitch (knit every row).

Bind off all sts, weave in all ends and block.

Attach buttons on back flap edges to line up with button holes.

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