

The Watcher



Materials

Approx. 600 yds of fingering weight yarn (I used reclaimed yarn from a Goodwill sweater in a pretty tweed green.)

US7 (4.5mm) circular needles, 36 inches or longer

Stitch markers

Tapestry needle

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Gauge

18 sts x 25 rows = 4 inches in garter stitch

Exact gauge isn't necessary

Finished Measurements

82 inches long x 11 inches wide at widest point

Instructions

Cast on 130 sts.

Row 1 (RS): kfb, k20, pm, *k22, pm, rep from * 4 times total, k20, kfb (132 sts)

Row 2 (WS): kfb, k to last st slipping markers when you come to them, kfb (2 st inc)

Row 3: *kfb, k to 1st before marker, kfb, sl m, rep from * 5 times total, k to last st, kfb (12 st inc)

Row 4: rep Row 2

Rep Rows 3 and 4 9 times and **on last rep of Row 3 remove all markers.**

Last Row 4(WS): kfb, k3, *pm, k4, rep from * 6 times total, pm, k3, kfb (262 sts)



Wave Section

Row 1 (RS): kfb, *k to 1 st bef m, kfb, sl m, kfb, rep from * 6 times total, k to last st, kfb (16 st inc)

Row 2: kfb, k2, p to last 3 sts slipping markers as you come to them, k2, kfb. (2 st inc)

Row 3: kfb, k to m, sl m, *k10, k2tog 4 times, kfb 8 times, k2tog 4 times, k10, sl m, rep from * 6 times total, k to last st, kfb (2 st inc)

Row 4: Rep Row 2

Row 5: Rep Row 1

Row 6-8: kfb, k all sts slipping markers as you come to them to last st, kfb (306 sts)

Rep these 8 rows 3 more times.

When you do that each time you reknit Row 3 it will look a little different. Follow the directions below for Row 3 on each new repeat through the rows.

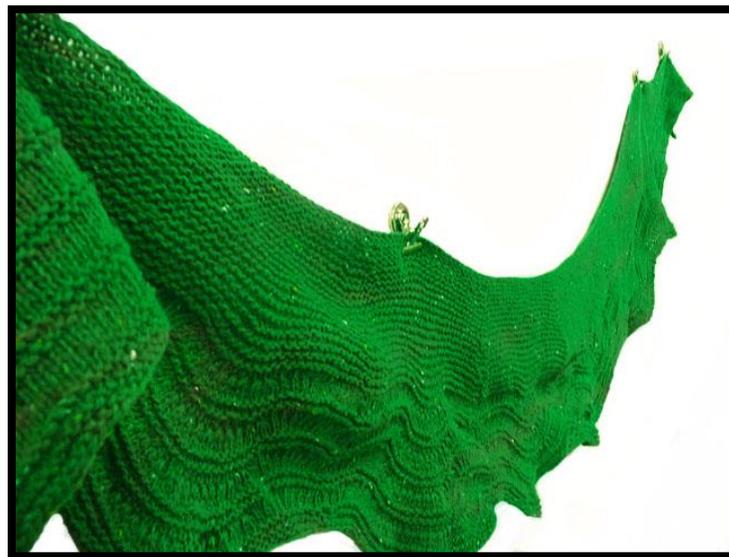
First repeat Row 3: kfb, k to m, sl m, *k6, k2tog 6 times, kfb 12 times, k2tog 6 times, k6, sl m, rep from * 6 times total, k to last st, kfb (2 st inc)

After completing the first time through, you should have 350 sts.

Second repeat Row 3: kfb, k to m, sl m, *k5, k2tog 7 times, kfb 14 times, k2tog 7 times, k5, sl m, rep from * 6 times total, k to last st, kfb (2 st inc)

After completing the second time through, you should have 394 sts.

Third repeat Row 3: kfb, k to m, sl m, *k4, k2tog 8 times, kfb 16 times, k2tog 7 times, k4, sl m, rep from * 6 times total, k to last st, kfb (2st inc)After completing the third time through, you should have 438 sts.



Border

Row 1 (RS): kfb, *k to 1 st bef m, kfb, sl m, kfb, rep from * 6 times total, k to last st, kfb (16 st inc = 454 sts)

Row 2: kfb, k all sts removing markers as you come to them to last st, kfb (2 st inc = 456 sts)

Bind off loosely. I like to use a needle 2 sizes larger than I knit with to get a nice loose bind off.

Weave in all ends. And block well.



Abbreviations

bef : before

inc : increase

k : knit

k2tog : knit the next 2 sts together as one (1 st dec)

kfb : knit into the front and the back of the next st (1 st inc)

m : marker

p : purl

pm : place marker

rep : repeat

RS : right side

sl m : slip marker

st/sts : stitch / stiches

WS : wrong side