**Soli Deo Gloria Beaded Lace Shawl**

**Yarn** The pictured shawl is knitted in ColourMart Extra Fine Merino 6/30NM Fingering Weight and required 112gr (535m). It is possible work it in laceweight, but reaching the gauge might prove difficult, in this case the resulting item will be smaller – the size of a shawlette, depending on the gauge.

**Materials (Beading is optional!)**
About 1156 beads. Toho and Miyuki beads size 6 are uniform and have larger holes. Cheaper Czech and Chinese beads prove a good value for money, as long as they do not have fancy coating or lining which might peel off or tarnish. Clear AB finish will work for subtle look, reminiscent of dew drops, lustered white - for ‘pearl’ effect. (Pre soak in soapy water if you have doubts about the bead coating!)

**Gauge** 18 st x 20 rows in 10 cm by 10 cm (4 by 4 inch) square after blocking.

**Needles/Tools** 3.25 mm (US3) to 4.5mm (US7) to produce the gauge. 80-100cm (36-40inch) circular needles. 2 Stitch Markers (to mark off garter stitch borders).

**Size** Finished size (in the above gauge) is 61cm (about 24in) measured along the centre towards the scalloped edge (longest point). 150cm wingspan. (My gauge is huge!) This shawl is not resizeable, the only way to achieve a different size is to adjust the gauge by changing needle size.

**Abbreviations**
RS – Right Side
WS – Wrong Side
Yo – Yarn Over
M1 – Make one (pick up the loop between the stitch you have just knitted and the next stitch, place it on the left needle and knit it through the back loop)
K1 – Knit One
Knit 3 out of 1 – Knit in the front loop, yo, knit in the back loop.

**Swatch**
Please refer to Swatch Chart on Page 2. Cast on 21 stitches, knit two rows. Knit 20 rows in pattern, knit two rows, then bind off. Wash and block your swatch, take it off the pins, let it relax and take your gauge.

**Beading** Use crochet hook small enough to go through the beads. Place a bead unto the hook, insert the hook into the stitch and slide the bead unto the stitch, place the stitch back on the needle. You may place the bead on the stitch on the left hand needle, then knit it. The bead is thus placed on the stitch of previous row. You may also choose to either place the beads in the purl rows or knit your stitch and place the bead on the resulting stitch on the right hand needle (this makes it more simple in case of beading of 2tog, ssk, etc) the resulting look will be a slightly different, as the beads end up on the current row rather than on the row below.

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**Cast On** The cast on method used for this shawl is called 'Garter tab cast on'. Cast on 3 stitches using provisional cast on and knit in garter stitch for 4 rows. Rotate the resulting garter tab 90 degrees clockwise and pick up 1 stitch along the side of the garter tab, skipping the first stitch. Remove waste yarn from provisional cast on and pick up the resulting 3 stitches on your left needle. Knit them. You end up with 7 stitches on your needle.

**Setting Up** Slip the first stitch purlwise, making sure it is loose enough, it is important for the blocking stage. However, some prefer to knit the 1st stitch, so if you can't reconcile with the idea of slipping it, go ahead and knit it. :) The first and the last three stitches of every row are always knitted both on RS and on WS row. This shapes the garter stitch border, which prevents the edge of the shawl from curling up. The WS (even) rows are not charted; they are purled with the exception of the garter stitch border stitches. Keep the 2 stitch markers handy! You are going to work a WS row now.

**Set up Row 1:** Knit 3 stitches, slipping the first one, place marker (edge), purl 1, place marker (edge), knit 3. (WS row)

**Set up Row 2:** K3, M1, knit 3 out of 1, m1, K3. (RS row)

**Set up Row 3:** K3, slip marker, purl until marker, slip marker, K3. (WS row) 11 stitches on the needle.

**Proceed to Chart 1.** The pattern repeat of Chart 1 is worked 5 times.

**Chart Reading Instructions**
Read the chart from right to left. Row one of Chart 1 reads: Knit 3 (garter stitch border), slip the first marker, Knit 3 out of 1, 5 times, slip the second marker, knit 3.

Charts 7 and 8 turned out a little too wide, so were split into three and two parts respectively (right/middle/left and right/left) for better legibility. You might want to cut them out and glue them together in one strip if you find it more convenient. Otherwise knit as follows (Chart 7): Start with Right side row 77, when you get to the end of the right side chart, continue to the middle chart and knit row 77, paying attention to the pattern repeats within the red frame, continue to the left side row 77. The shawl progress is as follows:

**Garter Tab Cast on**

**Set up Rows (3 rows)**

**Chart 1 (Rows 1-12) (51 stitches)**
(pattern repeat knitted 5 times)
(Remainder to count WS rows too!)

**Chart 2 (Rows 13-24) (87 stitches)**
(pattern repeat knitted 5 times)

**Chart 3 (Rows 25-30) (117 stitches)**
(pattern repeat knitted 6 times)

**Chart 4 (Rows 31-38) (161 stitches)**
(pattern repeat knitted 6 times)

**Chart 5** Rows 39-56 (201 stitches)
(pattern repeat knitted 6 times)

**Chart 6** Rows 57-76 (249 stitches)
(pattern repeat knitted 8 times)

**Chart 7** Rows 77-100 (411 stitches)
(pattern repeat knitted 8 times)

**Chart 8** Rows 101-110 (415 stitches)
(pattern repeat knitted 8 times)

**Bind Off** (Row 111) Bind off, using elastic bind off - k1, k1, slip two stitches back to left needle, k2tog through the back loop.*k1, slip 2 stitches back to left needle, k2tog through the back loop. Repeat from* Weave in the ends.

**Blocking Instructions**

Soak your lacy ‘blob’ in lukewarm water, add a bit of shampoo. Change water a few times to rinse, until water runs clear. It helps to use a bit of vinegar in the final rinse to get rid of soap deposit and stop the colours from bleeding.

Lift your shawl out of the water, very gently squeeze the shawl to let the water drain. In general, avoid stretching or wringing the fabric! Lay out the shawl on a fluffy bath towel. Roll the towel up with the shawl inside and gently squeeze for the towel to absorb the water.

Pin the shawl into ‘Crescent’ shape (use photographs as a guide). Start at the top middle of the neck and the middle of the border, then pin the tips of the ‘wings’ and all the border tips in between. Stand back and admire your work. ❤❤❤

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Chart Symbols

- \( (k1) \) Knit on the RS, Purl on the WS
- \( * \) Knit on both RS and WS (Used for Garter stitch Border Only)
- \( \odot \) Yarn Over
- \( \odot \odot \) 2 Yarn overs on the RS, knit 1 and purl 1 on the WS
- \( B \) \((k1 \text{ with a bead})\) Place a bead on a crochet hook, insert the hook in the stitch on the left needle, slide the bead off unto the stitch. Place the stitch back on the left needle. Knit the stitch. \((\text{If omitting beads treat as Knit 1})\)
- \( 3 \) \((sl \ 2-k1-psso \text{ with a bead})\) Slip 2 stitches as if to knit at the same time, k1, pass the two slipped stitches over the knitted stitch together. Place a bead on a crochet hook, insert the hook in the resulting stitch on the right needle and slide the bead off unto the stitch. Place the stitch back on the right needle. \((\text{If omitting beads treat as sl 2-k1-psso})\)
- \( \nabla \) Beaded Slip Slip Knit (Beaded Left Slanting Decrease) place the bead on the first stitch on the left needle.
- \( \nabla \) Beaded Knit 2 Together (Beaded Right Slanting Decrease) Place the bead on the second stitch on the left needle
- \( \uparrow \) \((sl \ 2-k1-psso)\) Slip 2 stitches as if to knit at the same time, k1, pass the two slipped stitches over the knitted stitch together.
- \( \downarrow \) Slip Slip Knit (Left Slanting Decrease)
- \( \slash \) Knit 2 Together (Right Slanting Decrease)
- \( \downarrow \) Knit 3 out of one. (Knit the stitch through the front loop, yo, knit the stitch through the back loop.)
- \( \downarrow \) Knit in front and back of the stitch ( increasing 1 stitch)
- \( \times \) Knit 2 out of 3: k2tog but only drop off the first stitch, then knit the 2nd stitch (still on the left needle) with the next stitch on the left needle through the back loop.
- \( \times \times \) Knit 3 out of 3tog (Insert the tip of the right hand needle knitwise into first 3 stitches on the left needle Knit the stitch but keep the 3 loops on the left needle, yo, knit the stitch through 3 loops again)
- \( \square \) No stitch **Ignore the GRAY Stitches, pretend they do not exist and knit chart symbols only.**
- Red Frame indicates pattern repeat

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Chart 6

Chart 5

Chart 4