

Advanced Beginner

Moire Stitch Pattern

Row 1 : *sl1pw, k1, yo, pass the slipped stitch over both the k1 and the YO*

Row 2: knit

Row 3: same as row 1

Row 4-6: knit

Key:

Sl1pw—slip 1 stitch as if to purl

Yo—yarn over

W&T = wrap and turn
= bring yarn forward and slip the ext stitch from the left needle to the right needle, bring yarn to the back again (so you've "wrapped" that stitch), then slip the stitch back to the left needle and turn the work so you're facing the wrong side.

NOTE!!!

When you're working the short rows, you'll have to **PURL back on the even rows** instead of KNITTING them as the Moire Stitch pattern says since during the short row shaping you are knitting flat and not in the round!



Moire Howl - both a cowl and a hood!

Since this can be worn as both a cowl and a hood, I call it a "Howl"

Materials:

• 2 sk Juniper Moonshine

Gauge:

4.25 sts/inch

Needles:

US size 9, to get gauge

Finished Dimensions:

Cast on 128 sts and join in the round, taking care not to twist stitches before joining.

Work 4 rows (or however many rows you like for an edging) in garter stitch (k1 row, p1 row since you are joined in the round). If you prefer, you could work 4 rows of purl for a reverse stockinette edge, or you could work seed stitch, too. Whatever you like!

Work Moire Stitch for 4 pattern repeats (24 rows) then work Moire Stitch for another repeat thru row 4. On row 5 of this pattern repeat, decrease 16 sts as follows:

k6, k2tog - you now have 112 sts

Knit 1 row to complete that 5th pattern repeat.

Work 2 more repeats of Moire Pattern

Short Row Shaping for hood:

Continuing in Moire Stitch for another 8" - BUT—knitting flat now so you can short-row shape the hood:

Work row 1 of Moire pattern to 4 sts before the row end, W&T the 4th stitch from the end.

Row 2: - purl to 4 sts from marker, W&T the 4th stitch from end

Row 3: - work Moire pattern row 3 to 6 sts from end of row (you should be able to see your "wrap" around the 4th stitch from the end, so the other way to figure when to W&T is to do it 2 sts BEFORE you hit the previous row's W&T). W&T this 6th stitch from end

Row 4: purl to 6 sts from marker, W&T the 6th stitch from end

Row 5: knit to 8 sts from marker and W&T the 8th stitch from end

Row 6: purl to 10th stitch from marker and W&T the 10th stitch from end

So now you see the pattern....you will keep repeating these 6 rows of the MOIRE Stitch pattern while short-rowing 2 sts at each end. So the next repeat, on row 1, you'll work row 1 of the Moire Stitch pattern to the 12th stitch (or 2 sts before you see the previous row's wrapped stitch!). Keep shortrowing by 2 sts at each end and keeping in the 6 row pattern.

Continue short row shaping in this manner until you have completed 6 repeats of Moire Stitch, PLUS rows 1-4 of the 7th repeat.

So you will have worked 40 rows of shaping. And since you were shorting 2 sts each row (and you began the shorting 4 sts in on each side) you should have 16 sts between your last short row wraps.

Here's a bit of my knitting philosophy for you...

Please, don't sweat it if you have 15 or 17, sometimes knitters new to short row shaping get off a stitch here or there. If it is going to bother you, then by all means, rip out. But honestly, life is too short to stress the little things, so if you're 1 stitch off here or there, no worries. Let it go!

ON ROW 5 of this 7th repeat, (remember you just finished the last W&T on row 4 so you turned after the last W&T and are facing a right side row) you will knit the row all the way back to the marker this time and when you come to a "wrapped stitch" knit the wrap together with the stitch it wraps to hide it. When you come to the end of row 5 (i.e. to your marker), TURN and purl around to the marker again (so you're working the entire row now) and when you come to any "wrapped stitches", purl the wrap together with the stitch.

Now you will be working in the round again. The short row shaping is done.

Continue in Moire Stitch for another 2 repeats.

Work an edge to match what you did at the beginning and bind off.

Voila!