THE CUSHY COWL

A KNITTING PATTERN



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The Cushy Cowl is more challenging than a scarf, but not so hard as to scare off beginners. It's a project that introduces a few essential techniques that will move you beyond noob territory and closer to the realm of hats, socks and mittens! Best of all, the cowl is knit in garter stitch with super bulky yarn, which produces a thick fabric that highlights the sculptural and springy qualities of garter stitch. Super bulky yarn also knits up quick for instant gratification!

The Cushy Cowl includes a tutorial video that guides you step-by-step through the pattern, from beginning to end. Watch the entire Cushy Cowl being knit up, and follow along at your own pace. To watch, visit: sheepandstitch.com/learn/how-to-knit-a-cushy-cowl

LEVEL: beginner

SKILLS NEEDED: knit, purl, cast off

SKILLS YOU'LL LEARN IN THE VIDEO:

long-tail cast on, knitting in the round, garter stitch in the round, joining a new ball, weaving in



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MATERIALS

Yarn 180 yds of super bulky yarn (sample made with two skeins of Malabrigo Rasta in colourway Pearl Ten)

Recommended Needles

32" - 40" circular needle size 12mm (US 17) (use a needle size that gives you the gauge listed below - every knitter's gauge is unique!)

Notions

- ► Stitch marker
- ▶ Ruler or Tape Measure
- ▶ Scissors

Finished Measurements

circumference: 50" width: 7"

Gauge 8 sts = 4"(10cm) in garter stitch

Pattern Notes

Garter Stitch in the Round: Row 1: Knit all stitches to end Row 2: Purl all stitches to end Repeat these two rows



A cowl is also known as an infinity scarf or a snood. And a snood is sometimes worn by dogs to protect their long ears, long fur, or lack of fur. Google it. It's a thing, and it's adorable!



DIRECTIONS

Using the long-tail cast on, CO 100 sts and join in the round, making sure not to twist stitches. Place a stitch marker to mark the beginning of the round.

Work in garter stitch in the round until piece measures 7" or your desired width.

Bind off loosely on a knit row.

ABBREVIATIONS used in this pattern

": inch CO: cast on Sts: stitch(es)

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