

Quickie

I love working with striping yarns. Moving the stripes around in different ways is always challenging. This technique is a little challenging, but great for the adventurous knitter.

This striping yarn is [Poema Stripes](#) by Laine du Nord

I have started a new scarf, one with a different style of cast-on. For the knitting nerds out there – have you every knit a rectangular scarf or shawl in the round? Do you know the magic loop method? Why not give this a try?

Materials: 450 to 900 m of worsted to aran weight yarn, 5.0mm US#8 circs, 80cm 32in and 150cm 60in circs.
Interchangeable style needles could work well.
Markers and the regular notions.

Techniques: Knitting cast-on, K2tog, YO, SSK
Everything else is knit and purl.

Pattern

Basic instructions for a worsted start:

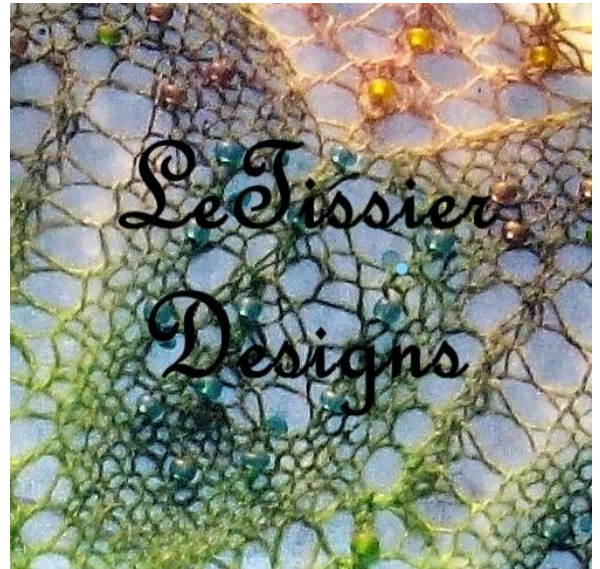
Using a 5.0mm US#8 80cm 32in circ, and using a knitted cast-on (you know, the one with the loopy edge) 170 st. Knit 1 row. With a 150cm 60in needle of the same size, turn work so that the RS is facing with the cast-on edge on the top.

Pro Tip – one that I forgot until I didn't need to remember – DUH! – if you have interchangeable needles with the shorter tips, use a 60 in cord with the short tip – you will be knitting in the round without the rabbit ears a lot sooner (magic loop).

Pull working yarn up and using the new, longer needle, with RS facing, pick-up and knit 170 sts from the cast-on edge. Pull up enough loop so that the needle can turn the corner, YO, knit 170 sts, YO, place BORM marker – 342 sts.

You will need to pull out the extra cord at each end to turn the corner for the first 10 rounds or so.

- Round 1 – purl 170 sts, pm, yo, k1, yo, pm, purl 170 sts, pm, yo, k1, yo, slm – 346 sts.
- Round 2 – knit 170 sts, slm, yo, k1, yo, k1, yo, k1, yo, slm knit 170 st, slm, yo, k1, yo, k1, yo, k1, yo, slm – 354 sts.
- Round 3 – purl 170 st, slm, k1, yo, k1, yo, k3, yo, k1, yo, k1, slm, purl 170 sts, slm, k1, yo, k1, yo, k3, yo, k1, yo, k1 – 362 sts.



- Round 4 – knit 170 sts, slm, k2, yo k1, yo, k5, yo, k1, yo, k2, slm, knit 170 sts, slm, k2, yo, k1, yo k5, yo, k1, yo, k2 – 370 sts.
- Round 5 – purl all around – no increases.

From this point increases will be every other round. Pattern resumes at Transition Rounds after the notes.

Notes on the Fan Shell Pattern

The Fan Shell pattern is an old Shetland lace pattern that has a lot of movement.

There are a lot of stitches removed over rounds 3,4 and 5. In round 6, the last round of the repeat, all of the stitches are increased with YO's back into the pattern.

There are 8 transition rounds as the pattern grows to fit into the ends.

After that I wrote out the pattern rounds for the next pattern repeat. At this point the increases and decreases should be visible and you can continue working the pattern as charted.

Below see the basic chart and the pattern written out for the side sts.

Written Fan Shell

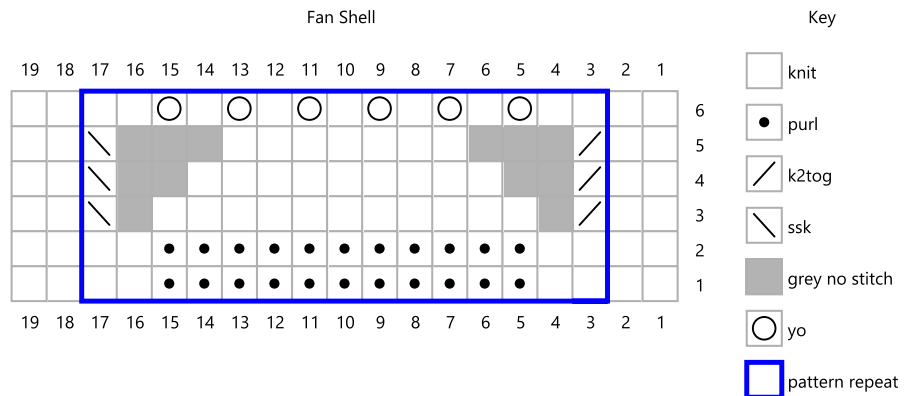
Rounds 1 - 2: K2, (k2, p11, k2) 11 times, k2. (169 sts)

Round 3: K2, (k2tog, k11, ssk) 11 times, k2. (147 sts)

Round 4: K2, (k2tog, k9, ssk) 11 times, k2. (125 sts)

Round 5: K2, (k2tog, k7, ssk) 11 times, k2. (103 sts)

Round 6: K2, (k2, (yo, k1) × 5, yo, k2) 11 times, k2. (169 sts)



Transition Rounds

Set-up: Round 1 – * K2tog (YO, Ktog) 84 times, slm, K3, YO, K1, YO, K1, (YO, K2tog) 3 times, YO, K1, YO, K3, slm, repeat from * once more – 376 st. stitch count moves like this 169, 19, 169, 19. The long sides each lost a stitch.

From this point the stitch count will increase by 4 sts on each end, every other round, 8 sts total and the side stitch count will remain the same.

Round 2 – purl.

Written Quickie Pattern Rounds with Fan Shell - transition

Round 1: * K2, (k2, p11, k2) 11 times, k2, slm, K4, yo, K1, yo, P9, yo, K1, yo, K4, slm; repeat from * once more. (384 sts)

Round 2: * K2, (k2, p11, k2) 11 times, k2, slm, purl, slm; repeat from * once more. (384 sts)

Round 3: * K2, (k2tog, k11, ssk) 11 times, k2 slm, K5, yo, K1, yo, K11, yo, K1, yo, K5, slm; repeat from * once more. (348 sts)

Round 4: * K2, (k2tog, k9, ssk) 11 times, k2, slm, P7, K13, P7, slm; repeat from * once more. (304 sts)

Round 5: * K2, (k2tog, k7, ssk) 11 times, k2, slm, K6, yo, K1, yo, pm, K2tog, K7, SSK, pm, yo, K1, yo, K6, slm. (264 sts)

Round 6: K2, (k2, (yo, k1) × 5, yo, k2) 11 times, k2, slm, P10, slm, K2, (yo, K1) × 5, yo, k2, slm, p10; repeat from * once more. (408 sts)

Pattern has been established.

Written Quickie Pattern Rounds with Fan Shell

Round 1: * K2, (k2, p11, k2) 11 times, k2, slm, k7, yo, K1, yo, k2, slm, K2, P11, K2, slm, k2, yo, k1, yo, k7; repeat from * once more. (416 sts)

Round 2: * K2, (k2, p11, k2) 11 times, k2, slm, purl, slm; repeat from * once more. (416 sts)

Round 3: * K2, (k2tog, k11, ssk) 11 times, k2 slm, K8, yo, K1, yo, K3, slm, K2tog, K11, SSK, slm, K3, yo, k1, yo, K8, slm; repeat from * once more. (376 sts)

Round 4: * K2, (k2tog, k9, ssk) 11 times, k2, slm, P14, slm, K2tog, K9, SSK, slm, P14, slm; repeat from * once more. (328 sts)

Round 5: * K2, (k2tog, k7, ssk) 11 times, k2, slm, K9, yo, K1, yo, K4, slm, K2tog, K7, SSK, slm, K4, yo, K1, yo, K9, slm; repeat from * once more. (288 sts)

Round 6: * K2, (k2, (yo, k1) × 5, yo, k2) 11 times, k2, slm, P16, slm, K2, (yo, K1) × 5, yo, k2, slm, p16; repeat from * once more (432)

Continue working in pattern as set until desired width.

I will add notes about sizing as I continue knitting the shawl.

I will add finishing once I get there.

Happy Knitting

