

Vira – rectangular shawl



I think some yarns need special designs for full effect. I really wanted to make something beautiful with a yarn cake I had: Scheepjes Ombré whirl, and I think this shawl is a perfect project for this yarn. Long relaxing rows of garter stitch (the ombré effect keeps the project still fun) with some breaks of crocheted popcornrows. If you know the basics of knitting and crochet, then this should be an easy project.

Material

Yarn: 1 cake of Scheepjes Whirl # 8033, Turquoise Turntable (color 1) and an ball of Scheepjes Sugar Rush #722, red, (color 2).

Needles and hooks: At least 80 cm long circular needles size 3,5 mm and crochet hook 3,5 mm.

Gauge: 20 stitches/10 cm.

Size: 160 cm long and 36 cm wide.

Other stuff: Yarnneedle to sew in ends with.

Note: All cast off and pick up of stitches and the row of crochetstitches are made with the right side facing you.

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All knitparts are garterstitch, that is only knitstitches.

You can really use any yarn, just remember that the number of stitches should be divisible by 6 plus 5.

Abbreviations:

Sc: Single crochet

pop5: Make five double crochet in same stitch. Remove hook from workingloop, insert it through both loops of first double crochet made, pick up workingloop and pull it through the loop, chain 1 to seal the pop (does not count as a stitch, so be careful when making the next round).

Start:

Startup knitting (color 1)

Cast on 329 stitches loosely on knitting needles 3,5 m.m. Knit 20 rows. Cast off loosely (if the castoff stitches are to tight, it will difficult to get the crochethook through).

**Crochetpart A (Color 2)

With crochethook 3,5 and right side facing you, *5 sc, pop5*. Repeat *-* until end of row, but end with 5 sc. Cut yarn and sew in ends.

Crochetpart B (Color 2)

With crochethook and right side facing you, 2 sc *pop5, 5 sc *. Repeat *-* until end of row, but end with 2 sc. Cut yarn and sew in ends.

Knittingpart (color 1)

With circular knittingneedles and with the right side facing (that is, the popcorn is towards you), pick up 1 stitch **through back loop** in each crochetsitch. Remember that it might look like two stitches for the popcorn, but if so, only pick up one. Count to make sure it's 329 stitches (I know, or just hope it is). Knit 21 rows, cast off (with right side facing you).**

Repeat from **, Repeat the crochetpart (alternating with part A and B every other time) and the knittingpart. You can make it as big as you like, but one Whirlcake will make 7 knitparts. End with a knitpart.

Fringe

If you decide to knit with ombréyarn like me and want fringe on the shawl, I strongly recommend that you make the fringe as then the fringe will be the same shade as the knitted part. Each knitpart is made up of 5 groups of fringes per side and I use 4 threads (35

cm long) held double. Then I make a fringe for each crochetsection as well, but this you can save for later if you'd like.



I didn't think my shawl needed blocking but you can block if you like.

If you prefer to make an infinityshawl instead, you just skip the fringe and instead sew the short ends together in the end instead. That's what I made with my second shawl, using the yarn Nordlys by Viking garn:



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