Comfort Shawl Knitting Instructions

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Materials for Knitted Shawl:

Knitting Needles Size 11 or 13 555 yards (three 6 oz. skeins) of slightly bulky yarn of your choice. (For longer shawls, use three and one-half, 6 oz. skeins, for wider shawls, use 60+ stitches)

Directions:

Take out 30 yards of yarn for fringe and set aside.

Cast on stitches in multiples of three - 54, *57, or 60. For example, if you use size 11 needles and cast on 54 stitches, 3 skeins of yarn is enough. Some yarns vary in elasticity and will affect your outcome, as will your knitting tension. If the yarn you have chosen has a multicolored stripe, be careful when tying on a new skein. Make sure the color sequence is correct. Also, tie on the new skein in the body of the shawl, instead of on the edge, as the ends tend to show.

First Row: k3, p3, to end

Second Row: Always start the next row with the opposite stitch of what you see. For instance, if the first stitch on the needle is a knit, then start with a purl.

*Note: If you cast on 57 stitches, you will always start with K3

To add Fringe to the Shawl:

Cut fringe 8 to 10 inches per strand, or desired length, by wrapping the yarn around a piece of cardboard that is 4 to 5 inches wide (a small book can be used as well). Divide into 2 separate piles. Knot each end of each piece of fringe to keep it from unraveling. Put 2 pieces of fringe together (or one if preferred), fold them in half, and loop them through every 2 to 3 stitches on both ends of the shawl. It is easiest to use a crochet hook or latch hook to loop the fringe through the stitches.

Completed shawls can be dropped off at Black River Memorial Hospital, 711 West Adams Street, Black River Falls, WI 54615. Please attach a note with the name of who created the shawl, their address, and the number of hours spent making it. Please tell the desk staff that the delivery is for Gifts of Gratitude.

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Comfort Shawl Crochet Directions

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Materials for Crocheted Shawl:

Crochet Hook Size 'M', 'N' or 'P'

740 yards (three and one-half 6 oz. skeins) of slightly bulky yarn of your choice. (For longer shawls, use three and one-half, 6 oz. skeins, for wider shawls use 60+ stitches)

Directions:

Take out 30 yards of yarn for fringe and set aside.

Chain 54 stitches or desired width of shawl. Chain 1, turn, single crochet in each of the stitches to end. Chain 3 and turn. Double crochet in top of each single crochet. Repeat this row 2 more times. Chain 1 and do 1 row of single crochet to end. Chain 3 and turn. Do 3 rows of double crochet. Repeat pattern to end (1 row single, 3 rows double). End with 1 row of single. Finish with fringe.

Crochet until the piece measures from wrist to wrist, or approximately 57-58" long.

*Note: crocheting typically uses more yarn than knitting, so you might have to adjust the width and size of hook or use another 1/2 skein. It has been suggested that 7 skeins of the same dye lot be purchased and crochet two shawls each using 3 1/2 skeins. You can integrate other yarn colors into the shawl.

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