



Black Sheep Wools Betwixtmas Shawls 2021

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Knitted Betwixtmas Shawl 2021

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Exclusively for Black Sheep Wools



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- Materials -

Fyberspates Vivacious DK (100% superwash Merino Wool; 115g/230m/251yds)
Yarn A x 1 hank -
Mixed Magenta (811), Burnished (832),
Heavenly (824), Deep Aqua (807)
Yarn B x 1 hank - Tweed Imps (801), Everglade (833), Pebble Beach (814), Verdegris (817)

4.5mm needles (long, circular needles are recommended due to the large amount of stitches at the end and for the frilled edging)

Optional stitch marker and wool needle

- Finished Size -

Before blocking, 35cm at deepest point and approximately 174cm across wingspan.

- Tension -

Approximately 19 sts and 38 rows to measure 10 x 10cm, over garter stitch, using 4.5mm needles. This is really important in order to complete the shawl with the quantity included in the kit.

- Abbreviations -

K knit
k2tog knit 2 sts together (to decrease 1 st)
p purl
p2tog purl 2 sts together (to decrease 1 st)
kfb knit into the front and back of same st (to increase 1 st)
pfb purl into the front and back of same st (to increase 1 st)
st(s) stitch(es)
yrn yarn around needle (to increase 1 st)

- Repeat Format -

(.....) round brackets denote a repeat sequence, to be repeated as stated.

- Notes -

- This yarn is hand dyed and skeins may vary in weight, so you may have slightly more yarn than 115g per skein.
- A larger needle than recommended on ball band is used, so that the resulting fabric is loose and drapes nicely.
- You will need approximately 35g of Yarn B for the frilled cast off edge. I would recommend weighing your yarn at regular intervals throughout the Yarn B purse stitch section, and work less rows if needed to ensure you have the right amount of yarn for casting off.
- You will need to keep your 'kfb' reasonably tight, rather than loose, for the frilled edge.
- If you wish to leave off the frilled edge, then you could simply work a few more rows of the purse stitch section in Yarn B instead, before working the final 4 garter stitch rows in Yarn A as per pattern.



- Pattern -

With Yarn A, cast on 3 sts.

Section 1: Garter Stitch and Eyelets Section:

Garter stitch pattern:

Row 1 (right side increase row): Kfb, k to end.
[4 sts]

Row 2 (wrong side): K1, k2tog, k to last st, kfb.
[4 sts]

Rows 3-40: Repeat last 2 rows, 19 times more.
[23 sts]

Note: It may be useful to pop a stitch marker into a stitch on wrong side of work at beginning of row, to remind you that this is the row to work the 'k1, k2tog' at beginning.

Eyelet Pattern 1:

Row 41 (right side): Kfb, k to end. [24 sts]

Row 42 (eyelet row with even st count): K1, p2tog, (yrn, p2tog) to last st, pfb. [24 sts]

Rows 43-82: For garter stitch pattern, repeat Rows 1 and 2, 20 times more. [44 sts]

Eyelet Pattern 2:

Row 83: Kfb, k to end. [45 sts]

Row 84 (eyelet row with odd st count): K1, p2tog, p1, (yrn, p2tog) to last st, pfb. [45 sts]

Row 85: Kfb, k to end. [46 sts]

Row 86: K1, k2tog, k to last st, kfb. [46 sts]

Row 87: Kfb, k to end. [47 sts]

Row 88 (eyelet row with odd st count): K1, p2tog, p1, (yrn, p2tog) to last st, pfb. [47 sts]

Rows 89-128: For garter stitch pattern, repeat Rows 1 and 2, 20 times more. [67 sts]

Eyelet Pattern 3:

Row 129: Kfb, k to end. [68 sts]

Row 130 (eyelet row with even st count): K1, p2tog, (yrn, p2tog) to last st, pfb. [68 sts]

Row 131: Kfb, k to end. [69 sts]

Row 132: K1, k2tog, k to last st, kfb. [69 sts]

Row 133: Kfb, k to end. [70 sts]

Row 134 (eyelet row with even st count): K1, p2tog, (yrn, p2tog) to last st, pfb. [70 sts]

Row 135: Kfb, k to end. [71 sts]

Row 136: K1, k2tog, k to last st, kfb. [71 sts]

Row 137: Kfb, k to end. [72 sts]

Row 138 (eyelet row with even st count): K1, p2tog, (yrn, p2tog) to last st, pfb. [72 sts]

Rows 139-178: Repeat Rows 1 and 2, 20 times more. [92 sts]

Section 2: Stripe Section:

Rows 179-232: Work 54 rows in garter stitch pattern as follows, ending with 119 sts:

Repeat Rows 1 and 2 in the following colour sequence and after the first 4 rows, cut Yarn A at after changing colour and re-joining when needed. Cut off Yarn A at end of Section 2.

2 rows Yarn B/2 rows Yarn A

4 rows Yarn B/2 rows Yarn A

6 rows Yarn B/2 rows Yarn A

8 rows Yarn B/2 rows Yarn A

10 rows Yarn B/2 rows Yarn A

12 rows Yarn B/2 rows Yarn A

Section 3: Purse Stitch Section:

Row 233 (right side increase row): Kfb, k to end.
[120 sts]

Row 234: (eyelet row with even st count): K1, p2tog, (yrn, p2tog) to last st, pfb. [120 sts]

Row 235: Kfb, k to end. [121 sts]

Row 236: (eyelet row with odd st count): K1, p2tog, p1, (yrn, p2tog) to last st, pfb. [121 sts]

Rows 237-256: Repeat Rows 233-236 a further 5 times. Remember to regularly check your yarn weight as per Notes and stop when needed to make sure you have around 35g of yarn remaining, which is needed for the frilled cast off. [131 sts if all 10 repeat rows are worked]
Note: If you have worked less rows here, your stitch count will vary.

Change to Yarn A (do not fasten off Yarn B).

Repeat Rows 1 and 2 with Yarn A, either once or twice more (depending on remaining Yarn A, noting that these are the last rows of Yarn A).
[132 or 133 sts].

Section 4: Frilled cast off:

Note: try to keep your 'kfb' stitches more on the tight side. You should use approximately 12-14g of Yarn B for the frilled cast off.

* Next row (right side): With Yarn B, K all sts.

Next row: (Kfb) to end of row.

Repeat last row, once more.

Cast off knitwise.*

Now work along the long edge of shawl (not the neck edge), pick up and knit 1 stitch for every 2 rows of knitting on garter stitch sections and approximately 3 sts for every 2 rows of knitting on the purse stitch rows. You should use

approximately 18-21g of Yarn B. [136-140 sts approximately – the stitch count doesn't need to be exact but make sure you don't have more sts than this]

Repeat from * to * as for first edge.

- To Finish -

Sew the ends of the frilled edges together at centre front. Weave in ends, pin flat and stretch out the purse stitch section slightly to open it out. Spray with cold water and leave to dry completely.

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4.5mm crochet hook

Optional stitch marker and wool needle

- Finished Size -

Before blocking, 47cm at deepest point and approximately 130cm across wingspan (Note that the wingspan will stretch with blocking).

- Tension -

16-17 sts and 11 rows to measure 10 x 10cm, over treble/half treble pattern (and measured starting at the treble row), using 4.5mm hook. This is really important in order to complete the shawl with the quantity included in the kit.

- Abbreviations -

Ch(s) chain(s)

st(s) stitch(es)

beg beginning

ch-sp chain space

rep repeat

tr treble crochet

htr half treble crochet

htr2-cl half treble 2 cluster (see special stitches)

tr2-cl treble 2 cluster (see special stitches)

htr2tog half treble crochet 2 sts together (see special stitches)

tr2tog treble crochet 2 sts together (see special stitches)

dc double crochet

yrh yrn round hook

- Special Stitches -

tr2-cl: treble 2 cluster as follows: *yrh, insert hook into st, yrh and pull loop through, yrn and pull through first 2 loops only*; rep from * to * into same st, yrh and pull through all loops.



htr2-cl: half treble 2 cluster as follows: *yrh, insert hook into st, yrh and pull loop through*, yrn and pull through first 2 loops only; rep from * to * into same st, yrh and pull through all loops.

htr2tog: half treble crochet 2 sts together as follows: yrh insert hook into first st, yrh and pull loop through, yrh and pull through first 2 loops only, yrh and insert hook into next st, yrh and pull loop through, yrh and pull through all loops on hook.

tr2tog: treble crochet 2 sts together as follows: yrh insert hook into first st, yrh and pull loop through, yrh and pull through first 2 loops only, yrh and insert hook into next st, yrh and pull loop through, yrh and pull through first 2 loops only, yrh and pull through all loops on hook.

cross stitch: skip 1 st, 1tr in next st, ch1 (does not count as a st), 1tr in skipped st.

- Repeat Format -

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- Notes -

- This yarn is hand dyed and skeins may vary in weight, so you may have slightly more yarn than 115g per skein.
- A larger hook than recommended for DK yarn is used, so that the resulting fabric is loose and drapes nicely.
- You will need approximately 25g of Yarn B for the frilled cast off edge. I would recommend weighing your yarn at regular intervals on the final stripe section, and work less rows if needed to ensure you have the right amount of yarn for the frilled edge.
- To change yarn, always change to next colour on last yrh of last stitch of row so that new colour is on hook ready to start the next row.

- Pattern -

Section 1: Trebles/ Half Trebles and Eyelets:

With Yarn A and 4.5mm hook (or hook size needed to achieve tension), make a magic loop.

Row 1 (right side): Ch3 (counts a 1tr throughout), 2tr into the loop, turn. Pull loop tight to close. [3 sts]

Work in rows that are turned.

Row 2 (wrong side): Ch1 (does not count as a st throughout), 1htr in each st placing last htr in ch3 at end, turn. [3 sts]

Row 3: (Ch3, 2tr) in first st, 1tr in next st, tr2-cl in last st, turn. [5 sts]

Row 4: Ch1 (does not count as a st throughout), 1htr in first st, htr2tog over next 2 sts, 1htr in next st, 2htr in last st (this is the ch3 at end), turn. [5 sts]

Row 5: (Ch3, 2tr) in first st, 1tr in each st to last st, tr2-cl in last st, turn. [7 sts]

Row 6: Ch1 (does not count as a st throughout), 1htr in first st, htr2tog over next 2 sts, 1htr in each st to last st, 2htr in last st (this is the ch3 at end), turn. [7 sts]

Rows 7-24: Repeat Rows 5 and 6, 9 times more. [25 sts]

Note: It may be useful to pop a stitch marker into a stitch on wrong side of work at beginning of row, to remind you that this is the htr row.

Here is a small chart to show first 6 rows:

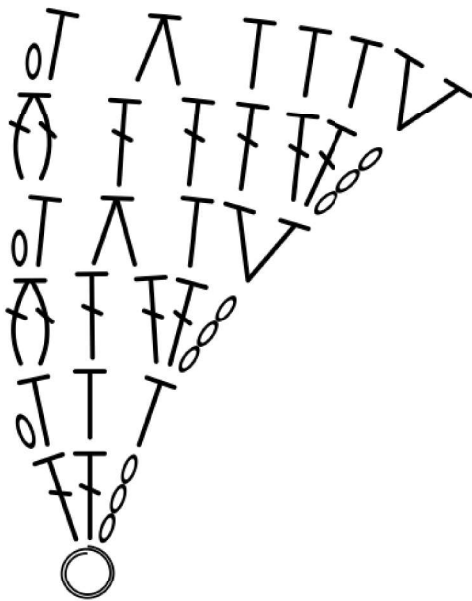
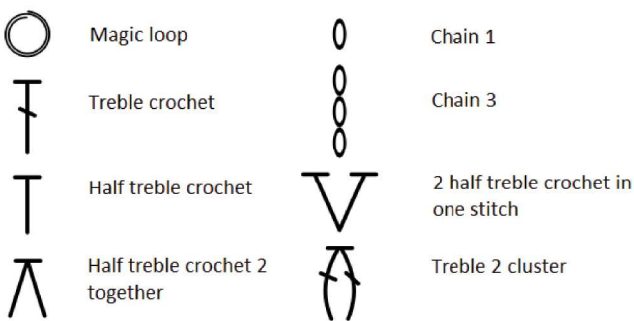


Chart Key:



Eyelet Pattern 1:

Row 25 (eyelet row): Ch4 (counts as 1tr and 1ch), 1tr in same st at base of beg ch4, (ch1, skip 1 st, 1tr in next st) to last 2 sts, ch1, skip next st, tr2-cl in last st, turn. [27 sts including chains]

Row 26: Ch1 (does not count as a st throughout), 1htr in first st, htr2tog over ch1-sp and tr, 1htr in each ch1-sp and tr to last st making sure to work 1htr in last ch-sp (this is the 4th ch of beg ch4), 2htr in 3rd ch of beg ch4, turn. [27 sts]

Rows 27-46: For treble/half treble crochet pattern, repeat Rows 5 and 6, 10 times more. [47 sts]

Eyelet Pattern 2:

Row 47 (eyelet row 1): Ch4 (counts as 1tr and 1ch), 1tr in same st at base of beg ch4, (ch1, skip 1 st, 1tr in next st) to last 2 sts, ch1, skip next st, 2tr-cl in last st, turn. [49 sts including chains]

Row 48: Ch1 (does not count as a st throughout), 1htr in first st, htr2tog (over ch1-sp and tr), 1htr in each ch1-sp and tr to last st making sure to make 1htr in last ch-sp (this is the 4th ch of beg ch4), 2htr in 3rd ch of beg ch4, turn. [49 sts]

Row 49 (eyelet row 2): Ch3 (counts as 1tr), 1tr in same st, ch1, (do not skip a st), 1tr in next st, (ch1, skip 1 st, 1tr in next st) to last st, tr2-cl in last st, turn. [51 sts]

Row 50: Ch1 (does not count as a st throughout), 1htr in first st, htr2tog (over tr and ch1-sp), 1htr in each tr and ch1-sp to last st, 2htr in top of beg ch3, turn. [51 sts]

Rows 51-60: For treble/half treble stitch pattern, repeat Rows 5 and 6, 5 times more. [61 sts]

Section 2: Stripes:

Rows 61-72: Rep Rows 5 and 6 a further 6 times to work 12 rows in total, in stripe sequence of 2 rows of Yarn B/2 rows of Yarn A (repeated), cutting yarn at colour change and re-joining when needed.

Cut off Yarn A at end of Stripe Section 2. [73 sts]
Continue in Yarn B only.

Section 3: Cross Stitch Section:

Note that the cross stitches will stack on top of each other in columns. You do not count the ch1 of each cross stitch as a stitch.

Row 73 (right side): Ch1, 3htr in first st, 1htr in each st to last st, htr2-cl in last st, turn. [75 sts]

Row 74: (wrong side): Ch2, skip st at base of ch2, 1tr in next st (to count as tr2tog), *skip 1 st, tr in next st, ch1, tr in skipped st to make cross stitch; rep from * to last st, 3tr in last st, turn. [76 sts]

Row 75: (right side): Ch3 (counts as tr) 2tr in same st, skip next tr, 1tr in next tr, ch1, 1tr in skipped tr to make cross stitch, *skip next tr and ch, 1tr in next tr, ch1, 1tr in skipped tr; rep from * to last st, tr2-cl in last st, turn. [78 sts]

Row 76: (wrong side): Ch2, skip st at base of ch2, 1tr in next st (to count as tr2tog), skip ch of cross st, 1tr in next tr, *skip 1 tr and ch, 1tr in next tr, ch1, 1tr in skipped tr to create cross stitch; rep from * to last 3 sts, skip 1 tr, 1tr in next tr, ch1, 1tr in skipped tr to make cross stitch, 3tr in last st, turn. [79 sts]

Row 77: (right side): Ch3 (counts as tr) 2tr in same st, skip next tr, 1tr in next tr, ch1, 1tr in skipped tr to make cross stitch, *skip next tr and ch, 1tr in next tr, ch1, 1tr in skipped tr to make cross stitch; rep from * to last 2 sts, 1tr in next tr, tr2-cl in last st, turn. [81 sts]

Row 78: (wrong side): Ch2, skip st at base of ch2, 1tr in next st (to count as tr2tog), *skip 1 tr and ch, 1tr in next tr, ch1, 1tr in skipped tr to make cross stitch; rep from * to last 3 sts, skip 1 st, 1tr in next tr, ch1, 1tr in skipped tr to make cross stitch, 3tr in last st, turn. [82 sts]

Rows 79-85: Rep Rows 75-78 then rep Rows 75-77. [93 sts]

Row 86: Ch1, 1htr in first st, htr2tog, 1htr in each tr to last st (do not work into the ch of the cross stitch), 3htr in last st, changing to Yarn A on last yrh of last htr, turn. [95 sts]

Section 4: Stripe Section:

Note that you need approximately 25g of Yarn B to work the frilled edge, so check your yarn during this stripe section to make sure you have enough of Yarn B.

If you feel that you are running out of Yarn A on the last stripe of Yarn A (Rows 91-92 below) then switch to Yarn B for Row 92 which is the half treble (wrong side) row and continue with Yarn B for the frilled edge.

Row 87: In Yarn A, (ch3, 2tr) in first st, 1tr in each st to last st, tr2-cl in last st, turn. [97 sts]

Row 88: Ch1 (does not count as a st throughout),

1htr in first st, htr2tog over next 2 sts, 1htr in each st to last st, 3htr in last st (this is the ch3 at end), changing to Yarn B on last yrh of last htr, turn. [98 sts]

Rows 89-92: Rep Rows 87 and 88 twice more in stripe sequence of 2 rows of Yarn B/2 rows of Yarn A, cutting yarn at colour change and re-joining when needed. [104 sts]

Cut off Yarn A at end of Stripe Section.
Re-join Yarn B.

Section 5: Frilled Edge:

Next row (right side): Ch1, 1dc in same st, ch4, (1dc in next st, ch4) to last st, (1dc, ch4 1dc in last st), now work along the next edge of the shawl, working (1dc, ch4) along to last st, 1dc in last st, fasten off.

Note: when working along the second edge of the shawl you may need to place two lots of (1dc, ch4) along the treble rows to keep the stitches spaced the same as the first side.

- To Finish -

Weave in ends, pin flat, stretch out the cross stitch section slightly to open it out and stretch out the top edge of the shawl (neck edge) to extend it slightly. Spray with cold water and leave to dry completely.

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How the Grinch Stole Christmas

By Dr. Seuss

So he paused. And the Grinch put his hand to his ear.
And he did hear a sound rising over the snow.
It started in low. Then it started to grow.
But the sound wasn't sad! Why, this sound sounded merry!
It couldn't be so! But it WAS merry! VERY!
He stared down at Whoville! The Grinch popped his eyes!
Then he shook! What he saw was a shocking surprise!
Every Who down in Whoville, the tall and the small,
Was singing! Without any presents at all!
He HADN'T stopped Christmas from coming! IT CAME!
Somehow or other, it came just the same!
And the Grinch, with his grinch-feet ice-cold in the snow,
Stood puzzling and puzzling: "How could it be so?"
"It came with out ribbons! It came without tags!"
"It came without packages, boxes or bags!"
And he puzzled three hours, till his puzzler was sore.
Then the Grinch thought of something he hadn't before!
"Maybe Christmas," he thought, "doesn't come from a store."
"Maybe Christmas...perhaps...means a little bit more!"



Merry Betwixtmas