



Easy Missoni Style Long Mobius Cowl Pattern by Haley Waxberg

Great minds think alike. Just as I finished this cowl the Fall 2009 fashion shows were starting in Milan, and what should pop up at Missoni, but long, ribbed cowls. It can be worn long around your neck, doubled up for colder weather, or over your head for the runaway runway model look. Make it for spring, fall or winter.

The pattern is very simple, fast, and satisfying for time when you just need to produce something FAST. It is knit in the round using a really long circular needle and a nifty little cast on just for mobius knitting. To learn this easy new skill you can watch Cat Bohrdi's great [Intro to Mobius Knitting](#) tutorial on you tube. Cat's instructions are clear and easy to follow and you'll be an expert in no time! The yarn we've used is handpainted. It is soft and has a slight sheen because of it's silk content. Please note that silk has a tendency to grow with wear, so if you want your cowl bigger I suggest you block it bigger and if you want it smaller either subtract some sts from the cast on or reduce your needle size. That said, the look is big, loose and casual and it's easy to go with the

flow of this garment. If you want to make the cowl wider without using more yarn work exclusively in the knit stitch: the cowl won't be reversible but ribbing sucks up yarn.

Size

Lying flat with mobius twist on top, measured across the middles
24" long x 6" wide

Materials

3 skeins Manos Silk Blend, colour 3120 (50g, 135m/150yds; 30% silk, 70% extra fine merino wool)
8mm/40" (47" is good) circular needles
1 Stitch Marker

Gauge

holding 2 strands together, in knit 4 rows, purl 4 rows rib
12 sts & 20 r = 4"/10cm

Techniques

[Intro to Mobius Knitting](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LVnTda7F2V4) tutorial by Cat Bohrdi on you tube:
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Directions

Hold 2 strands of yarn together. Using Cat Bordi's mobius cast on technique, cast on 150 sts. Place marker and join careful not to twist the sts (more than it is meant to): see Cat Bohrdi's tutorial for directions.

Knit the 1st st tight to avoid a gap at the join. Knit for 4 rounds (or ridges). Round begins & ends at the stitch marker.

Purl for 4 rounds.

Knit 4 rounds.

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Knit 4 rounds.

Cast off purl-wise. Weave in ends.

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