

Skill Level: intermediate-beginner

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Easy Loose Cabled Cowl

size

After blocking & lying flat: 17" wide
(34" in circumference), 16" high.

gauge

After blocking: 11sts 16 rows =
6"/15cm

materials

12mm-24" circular needles
1 skein Brown Sheep Company Burly
Spun (226g/120m)
1 jumbo cable hook
1 jumbo stitch marker
1 cup white vinegar (optional)
1 tbsp Eucalan
1 old towel (optional)



Notes:

This project is intended to be a loose weave that moves and drapes. This is accomplished by working with needles that are 3mm larger than the yarn's recommended size. As you work it it will not appear to be very loose, but it will relax significantly after blocking. Adding vinegar to the water while blocking helps to stabilize the colour.

To make the cowl wider, add stitches in multiples of 8 (approx 4").



abbreviations

C6B Slip next 3 sts to cable needle & hold to back, knit next 3 sts, knit sts on cable needle.
K Knit.
P Purl
Rep Repeat
St/s Stitch/es

directions

Cast on 56 sts. Join in the round and place marker.
R1-8: *P2, k6; rep from * to end.
R9: P2, C6B
R10-18: as R1
R19: as R9
R20-28: as R1
R29: as R9
R30-35: as R1
Cast off. Weave in ends.

blocking

Fill basin/tub/sink with cold water, enough to cover cowl. Add 1 cup white vinegar. Soak cowl for 5 minutes. Add Eucalan (as suggested on bottle), squish it through cowl, and soak for 5 to 10 minutes. Drain water, gently squeeze water out of cowl (do not wring or twist). Wrap in a towel and apply pressure (you can step on it) to extract more water. Lay flat to dry on towel, blocking pads/board, or any surface that won't warp from moisture. After washing the cowl will naturally stretch from it's pre-washing size, so you don't have to stretch it when lying it flat.