

Road to China Striped Cowl

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the scoop

finished measurements

13.5" wide by 54" in circumference.

yarn

Fibre Company Road to China Light
(65% Baby Alpaca, 15% Silk, 10% Camel, 10%
Cashmere; 159yds/50g)

1 skein each color in:

- A – Smoky Quartz
- B – Apatite
- C – Blue Tourmaline
- D – Riverstone
- E – Peridot
- F – Autumn Jasper*

gauge

24sts x 36rows = 4" in stockinette st, after blocking.

needles

US 5 (3.75mm) needles.

notions

2 stitch markers (optional), tapestry needle, spare
needle in a size the same as or smaller than working
needle (for three needle bind off).



pattern notes

You will work the entire length of the cowl in stockinette stitch (knit on right side, purl on wrong side) with 4 stitches on each edge in garter stitch (knit on right side, knit on wrong side). If desired you can place markers 4 stitches in from each edge to indicate where to switch.

As you add a new color of yarn to the cowl, instead of cutting the old color, carry the unused color up the side of your knitting by knitting the first stitch of each right side row with both colors of yarn. This will greatly reduce the number of ends you will need to weave in when the cowl is completed.

**Autumn Jasper is a discontinued color but you can substitute Ruby for a close color match.*

Provisional Cast On:

With a crochet hook and waste yarn, make a slip knot and ch 1, * holding the hook to the front of the knitting needle, wrap the yarn around the needle from back to front and ch 1. Rep from * until you have cast on the required number of stitches onto the needle. Ch 4, cut yarn and pull tail through to fasten off. Knit 1 row with working yarn.

To return these sts to a needle, unpick the tail you pulled through at the end and tug to unzip the chain, picking up each stitch with a spare needle.

You can find a helpful video showing how to work this CO at: <http://www.knittinghelp.com/video/play/provisional-crochet-cast-on>

Three Needle Bind off:

With the stitches from your provisional cast on held on a spare needle and holding the right sides facing together, insert a third needle into the front of the first stitch on both needles. Wrap yarn and pull through. Repeat this step with the next stitch and pass the first stitch on the right needle over the second as you would for a regular bind off. Continue working this way until all stitches are bound off.

You can find a helpful video showing how to work this BO at: <http://www.knittinghelp.com/video/play/three-needle-bind-off-english>

directions

Provisionally CO 80sts with Color A.

Row 1 (RS): Knit to last st, Slip last st as if to purl.

Row 2 (WS): K4, purl to last 4sts, K3, Slip last st as if to purl.

Work these two rows throughout the cowl, changing colors as indicated below:

Work 6 rows (3 repeats of Row 1 & 2) with color A.

Work 6 rows with color B.

Repeat these 12 rows 7 times total (14 stripes).

Work 6 rows with color C.

Work 6 rows with color B.

Repeat these 12 rows 6 times total.

Work 6 rows with color C.

Work 6 rows with color D.

Repeat these 12 rows 7 times total.

Work 6 rows with color E.

Work 6 rows with color D.

Repeat these 12 rows 6 times total.

Work 6 rows with color E.

Work 6 rows with color F.

Repeat these 12 rows 7 times total.

Work 6 rows with color A.

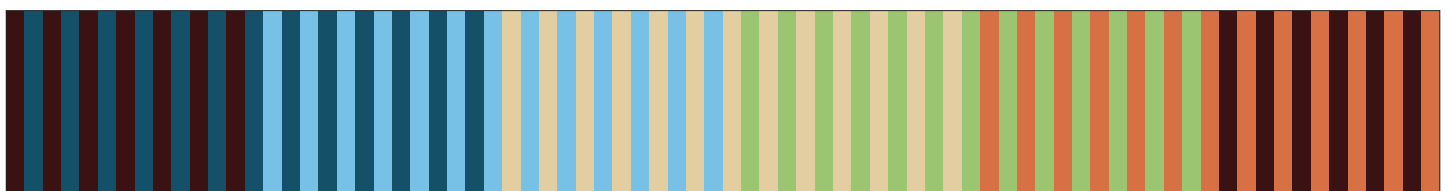
Work 6 rows with color F.

Repeat these 12 rows 6 times total.

finishing

Remove provisional CO and place these live sts onto a spare needle. Holding the cowl folded in half with right sides facing, work a three needle BO to finish.

Weave in ends and gently block.



abbreviations

BO	bind off	ch	chain	p	purl	st(s)	stitch(es)
CO	cast on	k	knit	rep	repeat		