

Broomstick lace cowl




Broomstick lace is a really fun stitch which works really fast and makes simply amazing texture.

Very soon I am going to release one beautiful pattern using broomstick lace and I wanted to encourage you to try it if you haven't yet.

Sizes and measurements

Finished cowl is 35cm wide and 60cm long. If you want it wider add multiple of 5sts and repeat pattern rows more times than suggested. You can also use thicker yarn if you want it bulkier.

Materials

-  any DK weight yarn, approx. 50g or 160yards
- crochet hook 3,5mm and 4mm
- 25mm large knitting needle or pin
- 1 button
- tapestry needle

Gauge

With DK weight yarn – work 10sc and 10 rows to measure 5cm or 2 inches, or 2 broomstick lace stitches to measure 5 cm or 2 inches.

Stitches and abbreviations

st(s) – stitch(es)
ch – chain stitch
sc – single crochet

Tips

If you find it difficult to hold both the pin and crochet hook in your hands, try to hold the pin between your knees instead.

After you slipped on all the loops onto the pin, especially when you just start to learn this technique, don't slip off them all at once. Slip 5 loops at time. When you get more used to this stitch, you can slip off all loops, but only after you worked sc into the first group of 5 loops.

START

Row 1: with 3,5mm crochet hook, ch71, sc in 2nd ch and each next ch, (70sc), do not turn

Row 2: using hook stretch the final loop and slip it onto the pin (photo 1); *with right side facing, insert hook through the next stitch along to the right, yarn over and pull it through the stitch to create another large loop, slip it onto the pin (photo 2)*, repeat from * in each stitch across, (70 loops on pin), do not turn



Row 3: working with 4mm hook, carefully slip off 5 loops, insert the hook through all of them, being careful not to twist the loops, yarn over and draw through the loops, yarn over again and draw through to create a chain (ch doesn't count as stitch) (photo 3); work 5sc around the 5 loops (photo 4), *slip next 5 loops from the pin and work 5sc around them* repeat from * to end of row, (70sc), do not turn (photo 5)



Working always with 4mm hook, **repeat Rows 2 and 3** – 22 times more. Fasten off. Weave in all ends.

Sew on the button on the corner of the cowl.

There are no special button holes, but you can use the holes of broomstick lace. In this way you can play around and button it in many different ways.