

Gorgonian Shawl

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Open-Knit Cast-On

Turn knitting so stitches you just knit are in left hand, knit first stitch but do not drop stitch off needle in left hand, slip new stitch from needle in right hand back onto needle in left hand—slip stitch as illustrated above. Now knit this stitch again, but do not drop it off needle in left hand, slip it back again from needle in right hand onto needle in left hand, etc. After you cast on the required number of stitches, turn knitting so cast-on stitches are in your right hand and continue with pattern.

Size	about 20" to 24" wide and 80" long after washing & blocking
Yarn	1100 yards Morehouse Merino Lace
Needle	#4
Gauge	about 5 stitches before washing & blocking 4½ after washing & blocking

Cast on 369 stitches using yarn double and using a very elastic cast-on method (such as long-tail cast-on). Continue with yarn single and start pattern.

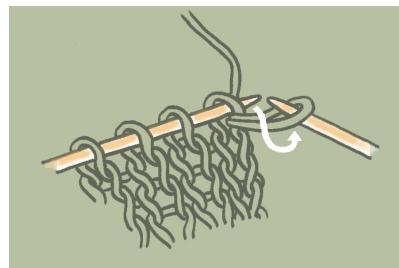
Pattern

Rows 1-10	knit
Row 11	knit 9, *bind off 15 stitches loosely, knit 9; repeat from * to end of row
Row 12	knit 9, *cast on 15 stitches (use e-loop cast-on or open-knit cast-on method, see illustrations below), knit 9; repeat from * to end of row
Rows 13-22	knit
Row 23	knit 21, *bind off 15 stitches loosely, knit 21
Row 24	repeat from * to last 21 stitches, knit 21 knit 21, *cast on 15 stitches, knit 9; repeat from * to last 21 stitches, knit 21

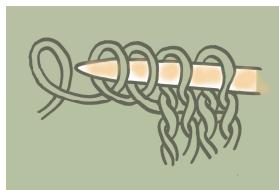
Repeat these 24 rows total of 6 times—total of 144 rows. Next, work rows 1 through 22. Now bind off loosely using yarn double (bind-off should be as elastic and stretchable as knit shawl). Darn in ends.

Washing/Blocking Soak shawl in warm water for a few minutes. Squeeze out as much water as possible. Then lay flat to dry, stretching shawl to final width and length.

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