

Elegantly Simple Triangle Shawl

This shawl is knit in one of those lovely laces based on the Shetland feather and fan stitch. There is so much movement and interest in the pattern that it may look more difficult to do than it really is. Starting at the tip of the shawl and increasing to whatever width you want, it becomes a lovely fan-shaped neck scarf, shoulder wrap, or full-size shawl. The bound-off long edge can be finished in your choice of dramatic points or graceful scallops.



Shoulder wrap size knitted in handspun 2-ply laceweight yarn of silk/merino/angora.



Neck scarf size knitted in a progression of handspun natural colored Icelandic wool.

Sizing

Shawl is begun at the tip and can be worked to desired length/width. The length will be approximately half the width.

Yarn and Needles

Guidelines are given here for laceweight yarn, based on using size US 5 (3.75 mm) needles at a gauge of 6 stitches per inch over pattern stitch.

200 yards — for 32" neck scarf size measured across widest point

600 yards — for a smaller shoulder wrap 54" across

1000 yards — for a larger full-size shawl 72" across

This shawl easily adjusts to other weights of yarn with corresponding adjustment in needle size and yardage. Use the pictured sample models as examples to inspire you.

Skill Level

Advanced beginner. Charted and written instructions are included.



Full-size shawl knitted using size US 10 (6 mm) needles and a strand of Lorna's Laces Heaven kid mohair and Heritage Yarns Tencel held together. Shown worn "upside down" with flattering rolled collar and scalloped hem.



Here is the shawl in a striking hand painted 8/2 Tencel dyed and knitted by Margaret Pittman of Heritage Yarns. She used less than half of an 8 ounce skein in the Blue Bayou colorway.