

# The WrenCowl

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for

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The star stitch is formed on the purl side of the fabric, so you knit the piece inside out then turn it right side out to wear.

If your cast on stitches are too tight to join on the first round, its OK to knit one row and join the round on the second.

**Gauge:** six stitches and four rows per inch in star stitch pattern.

**Needle:** US 5 12-16 inch long circular needle  
Stitch marker, darning needle

230 yards of worsted weight merino.  
I liked the feel of Manos del Uruguay's Rittenhouse Merino 5-Ply

### Abbreviations:

M S        Make Star  
P M        Place Marker  
K         Knit  
P         Purl  
(     )    Repeat inside

The finished piece measures  
7 x 11 inches laid flat and  
22 inches around

Cowls are great fun to knit. They are nothing more than a tube. Plus, if knit in the round they are done super fast!



To make a star:

Purl through 3 stitches but leave them on the left needle. Yarn over and put the right needle back through the same three stitches and purl them again.

Also, to keep a seamless star pattern the stitch marker travels to the right as you knit. Every other row you will need to slip the last two stitches of the round to remove the stitch marker, slip them back onto the left needle and place the marker in its new home.

### ***Directions***

Cast on 132 stitches.

Round **1**: K1, P1 to end of round. Join round and place marker.

Round **2**: Purl the knits and knit the purls to end of round.

Round **3**: Purl the knits and knit the purls to end of round.

Begin Star Pattern:

Round **4**: (MS, P1) to end of round.

Round **5**: Purl to last 2 stitches. Slip last 2 stitches onto right needle, remove marker, slip same two stitches back onto left needle. PM. This is the new end of round.

Repeat rounds **4** and **5** until your piece measures 7 inches, or is as long as you wish.

Finish the cowl by repeating the first three rounds.  
Cast off loosley. Weave in ends. Block and wear!



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