Spuntaneous Blue Barley

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Skill Level:
Intermediate

Finished Size:
8” high  x 20” around

Materials:
Cascade Yarns® Spuntaneous
100% Extrafine Merino Wool
200 g (7.05 oz) / 109 yds (100 m)
1 skein of #15 (Blue Coral)
US 15 Circular Knitting Needles
Yarn Needle
Stitch Marker

Gauge:
8 sts x 12 rows = 4” (10 cm)
Note: Gauge is unimportant for this cowl unless you want exact finished size.

Abbreviations:
BO = Bind Off
CO = Cast On
K = Knit
P = Purl
PM = Place Marker
Rnd(s) = Round(s)
St(s) = Stitch(es)
Sl = Slip (all slipped sts are slipped purlwise)
WYF = With Yarn in Front

Pattern Set-Up:
CO 72 sts. Being careful not to twist, PM, and join in the rnd.

Ribbing:
Rnd 1-3: *[K1, P1]; repeat from * to end of rnd.
Rnd 4: K to end of rnd.
Rnd 5: K to end of rnd.

Begin Blue Barley Pattern:
Rnd 6: *[K4, Sl 4 sts WYF]; repeat from * to end of rnd.
Rnd 7: *[K3, Sl 4 sts WYF, K1]; repeat from * to end of rnd.
Rnd 8: *[K2, Sl 4 sts WYF, K2]; repeat from * to end of rnd.
Rnd 9: *[K1, Sl 4 sts WYF, K3]; repeat from * to end of rnd.
Rnd 10: *[ Sl 4 sts WYF, K4]; repeat from * to end of rnd.
Rnd 11: K to end of rnd.

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Note: To keep the pattern “flowing,” the end of one rnd will be worked in connection with the next rnd so that the “floating” yarn across the front continues, making the pattern appear seamless. This applies to only for the second half of the pattern (rnds 12 - 17).

Rnd 12: *[K4, Sl 4 sts WYF]; repeat from * to end of rnd. Instead of knitting the next st of next rnd, Sl the 1st st WYF as you did the last 4 of Rnd 12. (5 slipped sts).

Rnd 13: *[K4, Sl 4 sts WYF]; repeat from * to last 3 sts. Sl 3 sts WYF of this rnd, and Sl 2 sts WYF of next rnd. (5 slipped sts).

Rnd 14: *[K4, Sl 4 sts WYF]; repeat from * to the last 2 sts. Sl 2 sts WYF of this rnd, and Sl 3 sts WYF of next rnd. (5 slipped sts)

Rnd 15: *[K4, Sl 4 sts WYF]; repeat from * to last st of rnd. Sl last st WYF of this rnd, and Sl 4 sts of next rnd. (5 sts slipped).

Rnd 16: *[Sl 4 sts WYF, K4]; repeat from * to end of rnd.

Note: To keep the pattern uniform, do not slip any sts of Rnd 17, Knit all 72 sts of the rnd.

Rnd 17: K to end of rnd.

Repeat Blue Barley pattern (Rnds 6 - 17) once more.

Ribbing Section:

Rnd 1: K to end of rnd.

Rnd 2 - 4: *[K1, P1]; repeat from * to end of rnd.

Finishing:

BO loosely.

Weave in ends.

Block if necessary.

Blue Barley Pattern Chart:

Note: If the chart confuses you, use the written version of the pattern.