Avalon Ready For Spring Shawl

Designed by
Shannon Dunbabin

© 2014 Cascade Yarns - All Rights Reserved.
Avalon Ready For Spring Shawl

Designed by Shannon Dunbabin

Avalon was one of my favorite yarns for this spring. The Cotton blend plays well on the needles and has great stitch definition. It took a while to tell me what it wanted to be. Sometimes I touch and see a yarn and it is screaming at me. Avalon needed some time to decide, but I think I am quite pleased with the results.

Top-down shawls are fun and great travel projects. I discovered a new bind-off in the process - Icelandic bind off. It is a great edge for a shawl - it has some give to it. I used 2 colors for this shawl - you could easily use more or less.

Materials:

Avalon (50% Cotton/50% Acrylic - 175 yds/100g) - 2 sks color A (18 - Turkish Sea) & 1 sk color B (25 - Georgia Peach)
- US 8 Needles (I would suggest at least a 32-40" cord on the circular needles)
- 2 Stitch Markers
- Yarn Needle

Finished Measurements (after blocking):
58" across top edge
24" from point to top edge

Gauge unimportant.

- Abbreviations:
  K - Knit
  YO - Yarn Over
  sl1-K1-psso - Slip 1 stitch (purl-wise), Knit 1 stitch, pass slipped stitch over knit stitch
  K2tog - Knit 2 Together
Pattern:

Cast on 4 stitches

Set-up Rows
Row 1: K1, YO, K2, YO, K1
Row 2: K
Row 3: K1, YO, K1, YO, pm, K2, pm, YO, K1, YO, K1
Row 4: K

Begin Pattern:
1. K1, YO, K1, *[YO, sl1-K1-psso] - repeat until marker, YO, K2, YO, K1, *[YO, sl1-K1-psso] - repeat to last stitch, YO, K1
2. (all even rows) - K
3. K1, YO, K to marker, YO, K2, YO, K to last st, YO, K1
5. K1, YO, K1, *[YO, K2tog] - repeat until marker, YO, K2, YO, K1, *[YO, K2tog] - repeat until last stitch, YO, K1
7. K1, YO, K to marker, YO, K2, YO, K to last stitch, YO, K1

Repeat rows 1-8

Do 3 repeats of A and 1 repeat of B - 3 times

Do 2 repeats of A

Icelandic bind off (AKA - Stretchy Bind off)
1. With yarn in back, insert tip of right needle into 1st stitch on left needle as if to purl and catch right side of 2nd stitch
2. Pull 2nd stitch through 1st stitch and knit it, slipping both stitches off the needle
3. Slip the stitch from right needle to the left

Repeat steps 1-3 until all are bound off

Weave in ends.

Block using favorite method.