



# Alva Cowl

WCY-123



## Yarn:

2 x 50g (200m) Caledonia Dyeworks Sutherland Solids 4ply (fingering) in contrasting colours. If you want to purchase the yarn for this pattern from either Caledonia Dyeworks Etsy shop or Wee County Yarns then put the code **AlvaCowl** in at the checkout to receive £2.00 off the 100g kit.

## Notions:

3.75mm and 3.25mm 60cm or 80cm circular needle

Stitch marker

Darning needle

**Size:** Blocked to approx. 1.2m/4ft circumference (60cm/2ft diameter) and 18cm/7" depth.

**Tension:** 24 sts per 10cm over stranded stocking stitch after blocking.

Sometimes the reverse side of colourwork is just as pretty as the front. This simple geometric chart maximises this effect so your hard work stranding can be admired whichever way you wear it. There's a twist in the stitches so you can show off both sides at once, although if you prefer to knit it without the twist you can. Alternative charts that would also give a nice effect front and back are included.

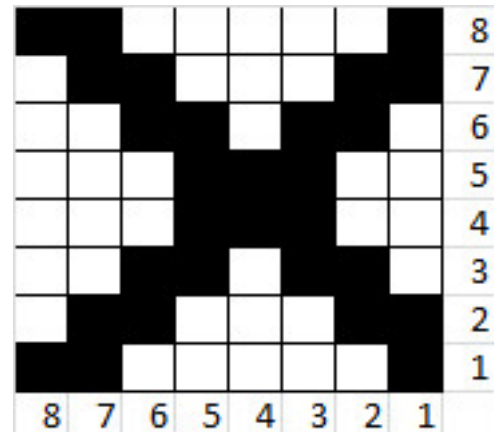
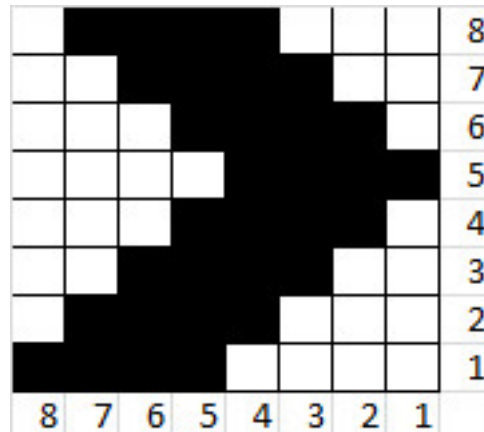
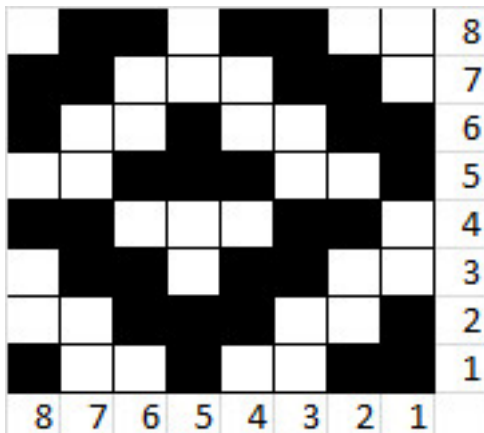
With first colour and smaller needles cast on 280 stitches. The cowl has a 6 row garter stitch border. If garter stitch in the round bakes your noodle then knit every row for 6 rows then join in the round WITH ONE COMPLETE TWIST in the stitches. If the tiny seam is more worrying then join in the round with ONE COMPLETE TWIST then work 6 rounds of garter stitch ([knit one round, purl one round] three times). Place marker to indicate start of round.

Change to larger needles and join in the second colour and work in the round from your preferred chart below. Knit every row. It is important that you maintain even floats across the back. If you work with one colour in each hand then you should always have the same colour in each hand. I worked with the pale blue in my left hand and the

chocolate in my right. If you have both yarns in one hand make sure you are always taking them from the same side. Don't catch any floats as you work.

You will repeat the chart 35 times around. Work 6 repeats of the chart or until your first colour is used up. It looks neatest if you finish on either row 4 or row 8 of the chart. The chart is read from right to left and from bottom to top in every round. Once you have completed six repeats of the chart break off first colour and change to smaller needles. Work 6 rounds (or rows) in garter stitch as at start. Cast off.

If you have equal amounts of the same base yarn to start with then when the first colour runs out you will have enough left of the second colour to work the border.



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