

Appalachian Shawl

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The Yarn

Alpaca Sox

60% alpaca, 20% merino, 20% nylon

Alpaca Sox, CEY's signature sock yarn, is spun from a blend of fibers that make it comfortable and warm. Alpaca provides warmth and softness, wool adds elasticity and cushion, and a little nylon lends strength and durability.

The construction of Alpaca Sox is unique too. Most sock yarns are plied and tightly twisted to make them dense, smooth, and long-lasting. Alpaca Sox is a 2-ply yarn twisted just enough to be durable, but relaxed enough that the soft alpaca fibers can expand a little and show their halo – making it perfect not just for socks, but for shawls and other accessories too.

The Pattern

Skill Level: Intermediate

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS: Approx 55" wide and 14" tall

YARN:

Alpaca Sox Hand Dyes by **Classic Elite** (60% alpaca, 20% merino wool, 20% nylon; 100 gram hank = approx 450 yards)

Main Color (MC): 1 hank 1879 Indigo Patina

Contrast Color (CC): 1 hank 1802 Aqua Sunshine

NEEDLES AND OTHER MATERIALS

Circular knitting needles (32") in size US 8 and 10 (5 and 6 mm)
Stitch markers

GAUGE: 18 sts and 24 rows = 4" in Stripe Sequence patt with smaller needles, blocked. **Take time to save time, check your gauge.**

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ABBREVIATIONS

BO: bind off
CO: cast on
cont: continue
k: knit
k2b: knit into st 2 rows below the next st. Slide next st off LH needle.
k2tog: knit 2 sts together (1 st decreased)
LH: left hand
p3tog: purl 3 sts together (2 sts decreased)
RH: right hand
rep: repeat
RS: right side
st(s): stitch
yo: yarn over



PATTERN STITCHES:

Star cluster: P3tog, leaving 3 sts on LH needle; yo, purl same 3 sts together again; slip all 3 sts off LH needle together.

Garter Stitch (Gtr St): Knit all sts.

Feather and Fan Stitch (multiple of 18 sts; 4 rows):

Row 1: (RS) Knit.

Row 2: Purl

Row 3: *k2tog 3 times, [yo, k1] 6 times, k2tog 3 times; rep from *.

Row 4: Knit.

Work rows 1–4 for Feather and Fan Stitch.

Framed Star Stitch (multiple of 4 sts; 4 rows):

Row 1: (RS) With CC, knit.

Row 2: With CC, *star cluster, p1; rep from *.

Row 3: *k2b, k3; rep from *.

Row 4: Knit.

Stripe Sequence (12 rows):

Rows 1–4: Feather and Fan Stitch

Rows 5–8: Framed Star Stitch

Rows 8–12: Feather and Fan Stitch

Repeat rows 1–12 for Stripe Sequence.

NOTES:

1. Circular needle used to accommodate large number of sts. Piece is worked back and forth in rows.

2. CC is used on rows 1-2 of Framed Star Stitch only; MC is used for all other rows.

3. Four edge sts of garter st are maintained on each side of piece. These sts are *always worked in MC*. **For Rows 1 and 2 of Framed Star st:** slip the first 4 sts to the RH needle and attach CC after first marker (do not break off MC). Work Row 1 of Framed Star Stitch to second marker and turn piece to begin Row 2, leaving the last 4 edge sts unworked. Work Row 2 to second marker and break CC. Slip the last 4 edge sts onto RH needle and turn work. Cont Framed Star Stitch pattern with MC, working the first and last 4 sts of pc in Gtr St. (There are 10 Rows of edge sts worked for every 12 Row Stripe Sequence repeat.)

SHAWL

With larger needles and MC, CO 224 sts. Switch to smaller needles and knit 5 rows.

Setup Row: (WS) Knit 4 sts, place marker (pm), k to last 4 sts, pm, k4. The 4 edge sts on either side of piece are maintained in Gtr st for edge throughout and worked *only* in MC (see Note 3).

Begin Stripe Sequence: (RS) Work 7 full Stripe Sequence repeats between markers. Work Rows 1–8 of Stripe Sequence once more. Knit 4 rows. BO all sts knitwise.

FINISHING

Weave in ends. Block piece to measurements.