



# **Braided Together Cowl**

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#### **Materials:**

- 1 Hank each Miss Babs K2 (7.2 oz/200 g, ea approx. 240 yds/219 m, 100% merino wool) in Perfectly Wreckless (A, multi), Echo (B, blue), Goldfinch (C, light green), and Violaceous (D, magenta)
- Size US 10 (6mm) 24" Circular Knitting Needles
- Stitch Marker
- Size J (6mm) Crochet Hook
- Tapestry Needle

### Gauge:

• 12 sts and 16 rounds/4" in stockinette st, blocked

## **Approximate Finished Size:**

• 16" High x 32" circumference, blocked

#### Notes:

Cowl is worked in the round in one piece from the bottom up. Be mindful not to work Estonian braids too loosely or following round will be stretched out. Surface crochet is done after blocking when cowl is dry.

## **Techniques:**

3-Color CO

#### **Surface Crochet**

#### 2- Color Latvian Braid Left:

- Round 1: [K1 with first color, k1 with second color] to end of round.
- **Round 2:** bring both yarns to front, [p1 with first color, pulling second color OVER first color, p1 in second color] to end of round. Yarn will twist do not untwist!
- Round 3: bring both yarns to front, [p1 with first color, pulling second color UNDER first color, p1 in second color] to end of round. Yarn will untwist on this round.



## **Abbreviations**

Bor: beginning of round

CO: cast on K: knit

**Kfb:** knit through front and back of st **K2toq:** knit 2 sts together as one stitch

P: purl

**Pm:** place marker **St(s):** stitch(es)



## 2-Color Latvian Braid Right:

- Round 1: [K1 with first color, k1 with second color] to end of round.
- **Round 2:** bring both yarns to front, [p1 with first color, pulling second color UNDER first color, p1 in second color] to end of round. Yarn will twist do not untwist!
- **Round 3:** bring both yarns to front, [p1 with first color, pulling second color OVER first color, p1 in second color] to end of round. Yarn will untwist on this round.

## 3- Color Latvian Braid Right:

- Round 1: [K1 with first color, k1 with second color, k1 with third color] to end of round.
- **Round 2:** bring all yarns to front, [p1 with first color, pulling second color UNDER first color, p1 in second color, pulling third color UNDER second color, p1 in third color, pulling first color UNDER third color] to end of round. Yarn will twist do not untwist!
- Round 3: bring all yarns to front, [p1 with first color, pulling second color OVER first color, p1 in second color, pulling third color OVER second color, p1 in third color, pulling first color OVER third color] to end of round. Yarn will untwist on this round.

## 2-Color Estonian Braid:

• Cable CO 1 st. [With first color, knit second st on left needle through back loop, do not drop st off needle, knit first st with second color, drop both sts off needle, slide st back over to left needle. With second color, knit second st on left needle through back loop, do not drop st off needle, knit first st with first color, drop both sts off needle, slide st back over to left needle] to end of round.

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#### Instructions:

- With A, B, and C using 3-color CO technique, CO 99 sts. Join into round being careful not to twist sts. Pm for bor.
- Next Round: With D, knit to last 2 sts, k2tog 98 sts.
- Knit 7 rounds in D.
- With B and C, work 2-color Estonian Braid.
- Knit 8 rounds in A.
- With B and D, work 2-color Latvian Braid Left.
- Knit 11 rounds in C.
- Next Round: With C, knit to last st, kfb 99 sts.
- With A, C and D, work 3-color Latvian Braid Right.
- Knit 7 rounds in B.
- Next Round: With B, knit to last 2 sts, k2tog 98 sts.
- With A and C, work 2-color Latvian Braid Right.
- Knit 8 rounds in D.
- With B and C, work 2-color Estonian Braid.
- Knit 7 rounds in A.
- Next Round: With A, knit to last st, kfb 99 sts.
- Next Round: [k1 in D, k1 in C, k1 in B] to end of round.
- BO with D, C, and B.



# Finishing:

- Weave in all loose ends with tapestry needle.
- Block lightly.
- With A, B, and D, using crochet hook, surface crochet in plain C band in loopy pattern or as desired.

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