



YARN TWISTERS

Brioche Cowl
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Learn to knit 2 colour brioche with this easy cowl pattern



MATERIALS & INFO

Yarn: Worsted weight yarn in high contrast colours; approx 100 yards of Colour A and 100 yards of Colour B; Sample knit with Alegria Grande, Carnaval and Brooklyn Tweed Shelter, Cast Iron

Gauge: 14 sts by 22 rows in brioche stitch

Needles: 5mm (US 8) 16" circular needle

Notions: stitch marker, darning needle

Finished size: 56cm (22") circumference and 20cm (8") tall

ABBREVIATIONS

BO - bind off

brk - brioche knit; knit slipped stitch and its yarnover together

brp - brioche purl; purl slipped stitch and its yarnover together

CO - cast on

k - knit

p - purl

sl1yo – with yarn in front slip 1 stitch purlwise, yarnover

BRIOCHE BASICS

Brioche knitting creates a squishy, reversible fabric that's created by working one stitch and slipping the next. Before slipping this stitch, the working yarn is brought to the front, the stitch is slipped and then you yarnover the slipped stitch. This gives the slipped stitch a little shawl over it's shoulders. In the following row, this shawled stitch will be either "barked" or "burped" (see abbreviations).

Two rows are worked for each counted row in brioche. Half of the stitches are worked in one row and the other half of the stitches (the stitches that were slipped in the previous row) are worked in the following row.

PATTERN INSTRUCTIONS

With colour A and using the long tail method, CO 80sts. Place marker and join to knit in the round.

Tip: To create a neat join, CO 1 additional st. Slip the 1st st CO to the right hand needle, pass the last CO st over and off the first st. Pull the tail and the working yarn tight, place stitch marker to denote the beginning of the round. You are now joined and ready to begin your first round.

Rnd 1 (colour A): *p1, k1*, repeat * to * until end of rnd

Rnd 2 (colour B): *p1, sl1yo*, repeat * to * until end of rnd

Rnd 3 (colour A): *sl1yo, brk*, repeat * to * until end of rnd

Rnd 3 (colour B): *brp, sl1yo*, repeat * to * until end of rnd

Repeat **Rnd 3** until piece measures approx 19cm (7 1/2"), break colour B

Rnd 4 (colour A): *p1, k1*, repeat * to * until end of rnd

Loosely BO all sts knitwise. Weave in all ends. Steam block and enjoy!

