

Like a Leaf on the Wind

by Sharon Jane for **fivemoons** yarns



An asymmetric triangular shawl with optional integral slit through which to thread the long end, so it can be worn without knotting or pinning.

Knitted flat in garter stitch from the bottom up, the shawl is made in one piece with the eyelet and picot edging worked as you go, and is knitted loosely to make the most of a soft and squishy yarn. It is blocked only in as much as the picots need to be opened out, and may be left unblocked if desired.

Knitting to a different tension will alter the size of the finished shawl. It may be knitted to any size with any weight of yarn given adequate yardage.

Dimensions:

55" wingspan x 19" drop



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Yarn:

1 skein fivemoons lthil 4ply
(100% UK spun Cashmere; 400m/
100g)

Notions:

4.5mm straight or circular needles,
depending on preference.

4.5mm in either dpns, two circulars, or
one long circular for magic loop,
depending on preference.

Scrap yarn

Tapestry needle

**Gauge:**

17 sts x 34 rows to 4" (10cm) square

Abbreviations:

Sts = stitches

Ndl = needle

RS = right side

WS = wrong side

k = knit

MP = make picot

yo = yarn over needle

Rep = repeat

Special stitches:

Make Picot: At beginning of row, cast on 3 sts, then cast off 3 sts. 1 of the original sts will have been worked and is now on the right hand needle.

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Instructions:

Cast on 6 sts.

Row 1 (RS): Cast off 3 sts, yo, k to end. (4 sts.)

Row 2 (WS): MP, yo, k to end. (5 sts.)

Row 3: K1, yo, k to last st, yo, k1. (7 sts.)

Row 4: K1, yo, k to end. (8 sts.)

Row 5: MP, yo, k to last st, yo, k1. (10 sts.)

Row 6: MP, yo, k to end. (11 sts.)

Row 7: K1, yo, k to last st, yo, k1. (13 sts.)

Row 8: K1, yo, k to end. (14 sts.)

Rep rows 5-8, Increasing by 2 sts on every RS row and by 1 st on every WS row, and making a picot at the leading edge of every alternate RS and every alternate WS row.

Continue as set until there are 30 picots up each side, and ending with a Row 8 just worked. (120 rows, 182 sts.) The next row counts as a Row 5 in the sequence.



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Set up threading slit:

(If no slit is required then work a straightforward Row 5 as written.)

(RS): MP, yo, k10. Change to scrap yarn and k next 15 sts, then return these sts to the LH ndl. Return to working yarn and k the 15 sts again, then continue across the row to the last st, yo, k1. (184 sts.)

Continue working Rows 5 to 8, with the next row as Row 6, until there are 36 picots up each side, and ending with a Row 8 just worked. (144 rows, 218 sts.)

Make eyelets:

(RS): MP, yo, *(k2tog, yo), rep from * to last st, k1. (219 sts.)

Cast off:

(WS): MP, cast off 4 sts, *(transfer single st from RH to LH ndl, MP, cast off 4 sts), rep from * to last 2 sts, transfer single st from RH to LH ndl, MP, cast off rem sts, cut yarn and draw end through last st.

Make threading slit:

(If slit is being included, 34 sts are knitted in the round using either dpns, two circulars, or single circular magic looped, depending upon preference.)

Carefully remove the scrap yarn and pick up the loops of 15 sts above and 15 sts below it.

With WS facing, join working yarn and k 15 sts along top of slit.
Pick up and k 2 sts in gap beside slit.
K 15 sts along bottom of slit.
Pick up and k 2 sts in gap beside slit.
(34 sts.)

Join to work in the round, and k 4 rounds.

Cast off loosely in knit.

Finishing:

Darn in loose ends.

Block gently to open out picots.



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