

Turkish Cape

VOGUE KNITTING FALL 2005

SHAWL PG 78 AND 122-124

THIS PATTERN USED A TURKISH MOTIF AND HAD A BUTTON CLOSURE. I USED MY OWN DESIGNS AND USED A SINGLE OR DOUBLE CLASP. I ALSO MADE IT ABOUT 43 INCHES AT THE TOP AND 17-19 INCHES DEEP AT THE CENTER. ADJUST TO YOUR SIZE AND MAKE IT LARGER OR SMALLER DEPENDING ON YOUR GAUGE ETC. THIS DOES NOT HAVE TO BE EXACT-- BE CREATIVE.

MATERIALS

I USED ALPACA DOUBLED AND A SIZE 4 NEEDLE BUT THE PATTERN CALLS FOR A NEEDLE THAT GIVES YOU 26 ST AND 29 ROWS=4 INCHES

THEY USED A SIZE 5 NEEDLE

YOU WILL NEED A 24 INCH CIRCULAR NEEDLE WHEN YOU DO THE TRIM. I USED THE SAME NUMBER NEEDLE THROUGHOUT THE CAPE. I ALSO USED SOME WOOL WHEN I NEEDED A COLOR THAT I DIDN'T HAVE IN ALPACA.

A GOOD PATTERN BOOK IS LUISE ROBERTS' "1000 GREAT KNITTING MOTIFS"-- OR USE YOUR IMAGINATION.

TO START CAST ON 58 STITCHES

WORK ONE ROW THEN CAST ON 4 ST AT THE BEGINNING OF NEXT 18 ROWS

THEN CAST ON 2 STITCHES AT THE BEGINNING OF NEXT 38 ROWS

THEN CAST ON 1 STITCH AT THE BEGINNING OF THE NEXT 30 ROWS =236 STS

OR MORE IF YOU WANT IT WIDER AROUND YOUR SHOULDERS

YOU MAY WANT TO ADD MORE OR LESS STS DEPENDING ON THE SIZE YOU WANT

TOP SHAPING ROW 96 OR WHATEVER YOU CHOOSE- DON'T WORRY ABOUT EXACT ROW IF YOU HAVE MORE OR LESS ROWS.

I LIKE TO DO THE SHORT ROWS TO FOLLOW IN ONE SOLID COLOR BECAUSE I DIDN'T LIKE THE INTERRUPTED PATTERNS BUT YOU MAY WANT TO USE A THICKER YARN- I'LL SHOW YOU WHY WHEN YOU GET TO THIS POINT.

MORE INFO TO FOLLOW

PS

I LIKED USING THE JAPANESE SHORT ROWS SO CHECK THEM OUT. DIANE GAVE US A WORK SHOP ON THEM IN THE PAST.