



Koigu Cowl by Three Bags Full Knitting Studio

Skills: knitting in the round, two color knitting

Who doesn't love the colorwork in Koigu yarns. Here's your chance to see just what Koigu can do. You'll need 2 skeins of Koigu with contrasting colorways. The cowl is worked in the round. Cast on loosely using either a long tail cast on or any other elastic cast on. Both top and bottom border of the cowl are done in purl. You may want to match your cast on and bind off in order to have the purl "bumps" on the right side of the cowl.

In the color work sections of the cowl you will be stranding the color not in use across the back of the work. Remember to carry the color not in use loosely across the back. You may want to practice this technique on a swatch first.

Finished size: 8 1/2 X 26 inches

Gauge: 24 stitches and 28 rows = 4 inches

Needle size: #3 - #4 (US), #3.25 - #3.5 mm circular needles (16 or 20 inch sizes will both work)

Yarn: 2 skeins of Koigu 100% merino, 50 grams, 175 yards (160 m)

Be sure to check your colors. You'll want one to be the main color and the other to be the contrasting color. You may want to unwrap your skeins and lay them next to each other to test your selection.

Loosely cast on 162 stitches, join in the round being careful not to twist. Mark the beginning of the round.

Purl for 3 rounds in MC

Round 1: *K3 MC, K3 CC*, repeat to end of round.
Round 2: *K3 MC, P3 CC*, repeat to end of round.

Rounds 3-12: Repeat round 2
Round 13-14: Knit MC

Round 15: *K3 CC, K3 MC*, repeat to end of round.
Round 16: *P3 CC, K3 MC*, repeat to end of round

Round 17-21: Repeat round 16
Rounds 22-23: Knit MC

Round 24: *K3 MC, K3 CC*, repeat to end of round.
Round 25: *K3 MC, P3 CC*. repeat to end of round

Round 26-27: Repeat round 25
Rounds 28-29: Knit MC

Round 30: *K3 CC, K3 MC*, repeat to end of round.
Round 31: *P3 CC, K3 MC*, repeat to end of round

Rounds 32-43: Repeat round 31
Rounds 44-45: Knit MC

Round 46: *K3 MC, K3 CC*. repeat to end of round
Round 47: *K3 MC, P3 CC*. repeat to end of round

Round 48-52: Repeat round 48
Round 53-54: Knit MC

Round 55: *K3 CC, K3 MC*, repeat to end of round.
Round 56-57: *P3 CC, K3 MC*, repeat to end of round

Round 58: Decrease round. You will decrease 1 (one) stitch in 24 of the 27 knit 3 sections in this round for a total of 24 decreased stitches. You will have 138 stitches.

Decrease round: (* P3CC, K1 MC, SSK MC* X 8, P3 CC, K3 MC) X 3

Rounds 59-61: Purl MC.

Bind off loosely in Purl. Enjoy your cowl!

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