Winter Ice Cowl
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This simple lace cowl is created with a strand of Sterling Silk and Silver and a strand of Fountain Hill held together throughout the pattern. Model was knit with Heavenly Blue Sterling Silk and Silver and Surf's Up Fountain Hill. The cowl can be wrapped twice around the neck or hung down for a long draping effect.

Notes:

Yarn is held together throughout.

Yarn choice: For our cowl we used a strand of Sterling Silk & Silver and Fountain Hill held together. This allows you to customize the look and make a garment that is truly unique. Pick two colors of the same shade or pick colors that contrast – the choice is up to you!

Joining the Ends: When you join the ends together you may put a twist into the cowl. Alternately, you could CO and BO as usual to make a traditional scarf.

Cowl:

Crochet a chain of about 55-60 stitches with the waste yarn. Extra stitches are crocheted to make pick up easier. If necessary a stitch can be skipped occasionally when picking up.

With Size 9 circular needle use both yarns held together to pick up 49 stitches through back loops of crochet chain.

Row 1: K2, *(yo, K2tog, K1) repeat from * to last two stitches, K2.

Repeat 1 throughout cowl until cowl is approximately 78 inches long.

Remove crochet chain, placing live stitches on second needle of same size. Complete with three needle bind off or by grafting beginning and end together. Work in ends. Block gently.

COMMONLY USED KNITTING ABBREVIATIONS

beg	begin	LH	left hand	sl	slip
BO	bind off	M1	make one (increase 1 stitch)	ssk	slip 1, slip1, knit 2 slipped stitches together
CC	contrasting color	MC	main color	st st	stockinette (stocking) stitch (1 row K, 1 row P)
CN	cable needle	P	purl	st(s)	stitch(es)
CO	cast on, cast off	p2sso	pass 2 slipped stitches over	tbl	through back of loop
cont	continue	P2tog	purl 2 stitches together (1 stitch decreased)	tog	together
dec(s)	decrease(s)/decreasing	patt rep(s)	pattern repeat(s)	WS	wrong side
dpn	double-pointed needles	patt(s)	pattern(s)	wyib	with yarn in back
eor	every other row	PM	place marker	wyif	with yarn in front
g st	garter stitch (K every row)	psso	pass slipped stitch over	yo	yarn over
inc(s)	increase(s)/increasing	pwise	purlwise	yon	yarn over needle
K	knit	rem	remain(ing)	( )	repeat instructions in parantheses number of times indicated
K1, s1, psso	knit one, slip one, pass slipped stitch over	rep	repeat		
K2tog	knit 2 together	RH	right hand	*	repeat instructions following asterisk as indicated or until end of row
K2tog tbl	knit 2 together through back loop	rnd(s)	round(s)		
kwise	knitwise	RS	right side	[ ]	instructions in square brackets refer to larger sizes