



Gentle Hug **Crocheted Moebius Cowl**

Crochet the magical moebius with lovely lightweight mohair blends and a large crochet hook. Envelop yourself in this fluffy cloud of delicate and luxurious crocheted magic! Moebius crochet is quick and rewarding and lace-weight mohair surrounds you like a gentle hug.

Join the fun and add this technique to your crochet "toolbox". Experience the magic. Once you get going, you will want to crochet a moebius "hug" for everyone you love!

This project uses a foundation single crochet, which is relaxed method for beginning the cowl. You are actually generating a chain and single crochet stitch at the same time on the foundation row. The single crochet is facing down as you are generating the stitches. This is a link to an excellent video demonstrating this technique.

Foundation Single Crochet Video

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PY6Iy7gdVEM>

Here are written instructions for the foundation single crochet stitches:

Chain two. Insert the hook into the first chain, YO (Yarn Over) and pull through. There are two loops on the hook. YO and pull through the first loop. YO and pull through both loops on the hook. *Insert the hook under the two loops to the left of the working yarn, and pull the yarn through them. There are two loops on the hook. YO, pull through one, YO pull through two.* Repeat from * until desired number of stitches.

Materials

A variety of lace weight mohair may be used in this pattern. Some suggestions are listed below:

For the larger size cowl (approximately 16" high x 44" in circumference)

- 1 ball of Rowan Kidsilk Haze Stripe (460 yds.)
- 2 balls of Rowan Kidsilk Haze in the same or two different colors (229 yds. each)
- 2 balls of Debbie Bliss Angel, Angel Prints or Party Angel (219 yds. each)
- 2 balls of Schulana Kid-Seta, Kid-Seta Melange, or Kid-Seta Lux (230 yds. each)

Size L crochet hook. Yarn needle.

Note: For the larger size cowl that is half the height (approximately 8" tall x 44" in circumference), OR Smaller Sized Cowl approximately 12" tall x 24" in circumference) use only half the above yardage.

Directions for large cowl (small cowl in parenthesis):

Start with a slip knot and leave a 6" tail. Foundation Single Crochet 115 (70) stitches. SC (Single Crochet) 3 more stitches in the last stitch. This will rotate the path of the single crochet stitches. Do not turn the work. Continue single crochet stitches in the two loops of each chain across the top of the work to the beginning.

To connect the moebius loop: Lay the strip flat with the tail and live stitch on the left. Pull the loop of the live stitch open temporarily. Bring both ends of the strip up to form a circle. Rotate the right end up in a half-twist. Use the tail to slip stitch the two ends together. This will create the moebius loop. Tighten the live stitch to the proper tension on the hook and begin SC stitches along the entire path of the moebius. The work will grow from the foundation SC path outward. Continue with SC stitches until desired height. End along the path wherever desired. Weave in ends.

Enjoy!

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