

annette petavy design



Pilier



*A warm little cowl in which post stitches form columns or pillars.
"Pilier" is French for "pillar".*

*Crochet this cowl in a soft yarn and wear it close to your neck.
In a worsted weight yarn, worked with a large hook,
it's a quick and very satisfying little project.*

Size

Approx 15 cm/6" high

Circumference: approx 72 cm/28.25" at bottom edge and 50 cm/19.75" at top edge

Yarn

Annette Petavy Design worsted weight merino; 100% merino wool; 82 m/90yds per 50 g; col light grey; 2 balls

Just a little yarn was left when the cowl in the picture was finished. If you don't want to play yarn chicken, have an extra ball on hand (you will only use a little). But you can add a few rows to the cowl if you want to!

Hook

5.5 mm/US J-9, or the size needed to get gauge.

Gauge

14 sts x 17 rows = 10 cm/4" in sc blo and FPtr.

Special abbreviations

sc blo = single crochet worked through the back loop only

FPtr = front post treble crochet

scblo2tog = sc blo 2 together: insert hook under back loop in first stitch, pull up a loop, insert hook under back loop in second stitch, pull up a loop {there are 3 loops on the hook}, yo, pull through all 3 loops on the hook.

For more information about working under one loop only, you can refer to my newsletter from January 2011:

<https://blog.annettepetavy.com/2011/01/annette-petavy-design-newsletter-january-2011-working-through-only-one-loop/>

For more information about post stitches, you might want to check out my newsletter from May 2017:

<https://blog.annettepetavy.com/2017/05/post-stitches-newsletter-may-2017/>

Notes

The cowl is worked in the round. To make things easier, the first row is worked flat before closing the round.

The long starting chain and the specific way of working the first row create the bottom border of the cowl and, at the same time, solve the potential problem of a too tight starting chain.

The cowl is worked at a firm gauge so that it will keep its shape around your neck.

PATTERN

Ch 241.

Row 1: 1 hdc in 2nd ch from hook, * skip 3 ch, 1 hdc in each of next 2 ch; repeat from * until 4 ch remain, skip 3 ch, 1 hdc in last ch.

Close to a ring with a sl st in the first hdc, taking care not to twist the first row.

There are 108 hdc.

Rounds 2, 4, 6, 10, 12, 16, 18, 20 and 22: Ch 1 (do not count as a st), 1 sc blo in each st to end of round, close round with 1 sl st in first st.

Note: to make the sl st that closes each round, insert hook under both loops.

Round 3: Ch 1 (do not count as a st), 1 sc blo in each of first 2 sts, skip 2 sts in row 1, 1 FPtr in each of next 2 sts in row 1, *skip 2 sts in round 2, 1 sc blo in each of next 4 sts, skip 4 sts in row 1, 1 FPtr in each of next 2 sts in row 1; repeat from * until 2 sts remain at end of round, 1 sc blo in each of last 2 sts, close round with 1 sl st in first st.

Round 5: Ch 1 (do not count as a st), 1 sc blo in each of first 2 sts, 1 FPtr around each of first two FPtr two rounds below, *skip 2 sts in previous round, 1 sc blo in each of next 4 sts, 1 FPtr around each of next 2 FPtr two rounds below; repeat from * until 2 sts remain at end of round, 1 sc blo in each of last 2 sts, close round with 1 sl st in first st.

Round 7: As round 5.

Round 8: Ch 1 (do not count as a st), scblo2tog in first 2 sts, *1 sc blo in each of next 3 sts, scblo2tog in next 2 sts, 1 sc blo in next st; repeat from * until 4 sts remain at end of round, 1 sc blo in each of next 2 sts, scblo2tog in last 2 sts, close round with 1 sl st in first st.
There are 79 sts.

Round 9: Ch 1 (do not count as a st), 1 sc blo in first st, 1 FPtr around each of first two FPtr two rounds below, *skip 2 sts in previous round, 1 sc blo in each of next 3 sts, 1 FPtr around each of next 2 FPtr two rounds below; repeat from * until 1 st remains at end of round, 1 sc blo in last st, close round with 1 sl st in first st.

Rounds 11 and 13: As round 9.

Round 14: Ch 1 (do not count as a st), 1 sc blo in each of first 4 sts, *scblo2tog in next 2 sts, 1 sc blo in next 3 sts; repeat from * to end of round, close round with 1 sl st in first st.
There are 64 sts.

Round 15: Ch 1 (do not count as a st), 1 sc blo in first st, 1 FPtr around each of first two FPtr two rounds below, *skip 2 sts in previous round, 1 sc blo in each of next 2 sts, 1 FPtr around each of next 2 FPtr two rounds below; repeat from * until 1 st remains at end of round, 1 sc blo in last st, close round with 1 sl st in first st.

Rounds 17, 19, 21 and 23: As round 15.

Round 24 (border): Ch 1 (do not count as a st), 1 sc in each of first 2 sts, * ch 3, 1 sc in each of next 2 sts; repeat from * to end of round, ch3, close round with 1 sl st in first st.

Fasten off.

Finishing

Weave in all ends. Block if you want to (the cowl in the picture wasn't blocked).