

McCafferty

Traditionally shaped and with a knitted-on lace border, McCafferty will knit up beautifully in any yarn but is particularly suited to handspun.

Yarn: 750 yards/690m of light fingering weight yarn. Sample shown in yarn spun from Spunky Eclectic fibre merino/mohair.

Needles: 5mm circulars. You may find it easier to use 2 different lengths as the shawl widens.

Gauge: 17sts and 31 rows to 4 inches in garter stitch on 5mm needles, blocked.

Measurements: 62 inches wide and 25 inches deep.

Notions: 4 stitch markers
Tapestry needle

Abbreviations: k ~ knit
yo ~ yarn over
k2tog ~ knit two together
ssk ~ slip, slip, knit
m ~ marker
pm ~ place marker
sm ~ slip marker
sts ~ stitches
cs ~ centre stitch
s1wyif ~ slip st purlwise with yarn in front.
w&t ~ wrap and turn: bring yarn to front, slip next stitch purlwise, bring yarn to back, slip stitch back to left needle.
Turn work.



Named for Gemma who spun this gorgeous yarn.

Set-Up Rows

With 5mm needle, cast on 4sts.

Knit 6 rows. Do not turn work at end of last row.

Rotate work 90 degrees clockwise, then pick up and knit 3 sts between ridges of side edge. Rotate 90 degrees clockwise once more, and pick up and knit 4sts along Cast on edge. **11sts.**

Main Body of Shawl

1~ k4 (edge sts), pm, yo, k1, yo, pm, k1 (centre st), pm, yo, k1, yo, pm, k4 (edge sts).
15sts.

2~ knit.

3 ~k4, sm, yo, k to m, yo, sm, k1, sm, yo, k to m, yo, sm, k4. **19sts.**

Repeat rows 2 and 3 until there are **227sts** on the needles in total. (4 edge sts each side, 1 centre stitch and 109sts either side of marked centre stitch.)

I have provided both Charted and Written Instructions for the Lace Mesh and Border. Use whichever you prefer.

Lace Mesh Section

Work rows 1 and 2 of **Lace Mesh Chart/Instructions** seven times.

Next Row ~ k4, sm, yo, k to m, yo, sm, k1, sm, yo, k to m, yo, sm, k4. **259sts.**

Next row ~ knit.

Repeat last 2 rows once more. **263sts.** The last 4 rows form the 2 garter st ridges between the Lace Mesh section and the border.

Lace Border

Using the Cable Cast-on, cast-on 16sts very loosely onto needle tip where yarn is attached. You will now knit the border perpendicularly and attach it to the main body of the shawl simultaneously.

1 ~ k15, k2tog.

2 ~ k to last st, p1.

Work rows 1 through 16 of **Border Chart/Instructions 1.**(short row section)

Work rows 1 through 32 of **Border Chart/Instructions 3** eight times. You should have 1st remaining before first centre st marker.

Work rows 1 through 16 of **Border Chart/Instructions 2.**(short row section)

Next row ~ k13, yo, k2tog, k2tog.

Next row ~ s1wyif, k1, yo, k2tog, k12.

Work rows 1 through 16 of **Border Chart/Instructions 1.**(short row section)

Work rows 1 through 32 of **Border Chart/Instructions 3** eight times. You should have 2 sts remaining on needle.

Work rows 1 through 16 of **Border Chart/Instructions 2.**(short row section)

Next row ~ k13, yo, k2tog, k2tog.

Bind off all sts very loosely.

Lace Mesh

1	k4, sm, yo, k1,	(yo, k2tog) to m, yo,	sm, k1, sm,	yo, (ssk,yo) to 1 from m, k1,	yo, sm, k4.
2	knit across all stitches.				

Border Short Rows 1

1	yo, k2tog, k1,	yo, k1,	w&t.
2,4,6,8,10,12 & 14	k to last st, p1.		
3	yo, k2tog, k1,	yo, k2tog, yo, k1,	w&t.
5	yo, k2tog, k1,	(yo, k2tog)x2, yo, k1,	w&t.
7	yo, k2tog, k1,	(yo, k2tog)x3, yo, k1,	w&t.
9	yo, k2tog, k1,	(yo, k2tog)x4, yo, k1,	w&t.
11	yo, k2tog, k1,	(yo, k2tog)x5, yo, k1,	w&t.
13	yo, k2tog, k1,	(yo, k2tog)x6, yo, k1,	w&t.
15	yo, k2tog, k1,	(yo, k2tog)x7, yo, k3,	yo, k2tog, k2tog.
16	s1wyif, k1, yo, k2tog,	k to last st,	p1.

Border Short Rows 2

1	yo, k2tog,	(k2tog, yo)x7, k2tog,	w&t.
2,4,6,8,10,12 & 14	k to last st, p1.		
3	yo, k2tog,	(k2tog, yo)x6, k2tog,	w&t.
5	yo, k2tog,	(k2tog, yo)x5, k2tog,	w&t.
7	yo, k2tog,	(k2tog, yo)x4, k2tog,	w&t.
9	yo, k2tog,	(k2tog, yo)x3, k2tog,	w&t.
11	yo, k2tog,	(k2tog, yo)x2, k2tog,	w&t.
13	yo, k2tog,	k2tog, yo, k2tog,	w&t.
15	yo, k2tog,	k2tog, k10,	yo, k2to, k2tog.
16	s1wyif, k1, yo, k2tog,	k to last st,	p1.

Border 3

1	yo, k2tog,	(k2tog, yo)x7, k2tog,	k3, yo, k2tog, k2tog.
2 and all even numbered rows	s1wyif, k1, yo, k2tog, k to last st, p1.		
3	yo, k2tog,	(k2tog, yo)x6, k2tog,	k4, yo, k2tog, k2tog.
5	yo, k2tog,	(k2tog, yo)x5, k2tog,	k5, yo, k2tog, k2tog.
7	yo, k2tog,	(k2tog, yo)x4, k2tog,	k6, yo, k2tog, k2tog.
9	yo, k2tog,	(k2tog, yo)x3, k2tog,	k7, yo, k2tog, k2tog.
11	yo, k2tog,	(k2tog, yo)x2, k2tog,	k8, yo, k2tog, k2tog.
13	yo, k2tog,	k2tog, yo, k2tog,	k9, yo, k2tog, k2tog.
15	yo, k2tog,	k2tog,	k10, yo, k2tog, k2tog.
17	yo, k2tog, k1,	yo,	k10, yo, k2tog, k2tog.
19	yo, k2tog, k1,	yo, k2tog, yo,	k9, yo, k2tog, k2tog.
21	yo, k2tog, k1,	(yo, k2tog)x2, yo,	k8, yo, k2tog, k2tog.
23	yo, k2tog, k1,	(yo, k2tog)x3, yo,	k7, yo, k2tog, k2tog.
25	yo, k2tog, k1,	(yo, k2tog)x4, yo,	k6, yo, k2tog, k2tog.
27	yo, k2tog, k1,	(yo, k2tog)x5, yo,	k5, yo, k2tog, k2tog.
29	yo, k2tog, k1,	(yo, k2tog)x6, yo,	k4, yo, k2tog, k2tog.
31	yo, k2tog, k1,	(yo, k2tog)x7, yo,	k3, yo, k2tog, k2tog.