

# stolen moments

## an easy but elegant wrap

by Amy Swenson

Easy enough for lace novices, yet satisfyingly quick for experienced knitters, this generous wrap is cozy, warm, elegant, and ideal for knitting just a few rows at a time.

The Stolen Moments Wrap uses an easy four-row lace pattern to create a modern and plush fabric. For the sample shown, I used a 100% Cashmere yarn; the height of luxury. But, this pattern showcases almost any yarn choice.

Choose between the Chunky or Worsted weight versions, or simply cast on a multiple of 4 stitches plus 3 stitches.

### Materials:

Chunky Version:

350 yards chunky yarn

Shown in Jade Sapphire Cashmere 12ply  
(100% Cashmere)

US 11/8mm needles - straight or circular  
tapestry needle

Worsted-weight Version:

550 yards worsted-weight yarn

US 9/5.5mm needles - straight or circular  
tapestry needle

### Abbreviations:

K knit

P purl

yo yarn over

k2tog knit two stitches together

SK2P slip one stitch, knit the next two stitches together, pass slipped stitch over



**Sizing:**  
one size

### Finished Measurements:

Before blocking: 14" wide and 48" long  
After gentle blocking, approximately: 17"  
wide and 64" long

### Gauge:

Chunky weight: 2.5 sts / 4" in stockinette  
Worsted weight: 4 sts / 4" in stockinette

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**Instructions:**

For chunky version, loosely cast on 39 sts. For worsted-weight version, loosely cast on 67 sts.

K 2 rows.

On next row, begin main pattern as follows:

Row 1: K2, [yo, SK2P, yo, K1] 8 times, yo, SK2P, yo, K2

Row 2: K2, p35, K2

Row 3: K4, [yo, SK2P, yo, k1] 7 times, yo, SK2P, yo, k4

Row 4: K2, p35, k2

Repeat the last 4 rows until piece measures 47 inches from cast on edge without stretching, or until nearly out of yarn, ending with Row 1 or 3 of pattern.

K 2 rows.

Loosely cast off.

**Finishing:**

Sew in any loose ends. I suggest doing a modified wet blocking to help the lace pattern open up and relax.

Soak the shawl in warm water for up to 20 minutes or until saturated. Roll in a towel to remove as much water as possible, then lay flat to dry. This simulates what will happen when the shawl is washed eventually, and creates a more professional finish.

Take a step back, and enjoy your work!

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