# 2023 WINE COUNTRY YARN HOP

# EREMITA COWL BY TANIA CORDOVA / FIBER CIRCLE STUDIO



## SIZES

One Size; Cowl

## FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

After wet blocking, cowl is approximately 32in (81cm) circumference and 16.5in (42cm) in height



### YARN

1 of skeins of Ultimate Sock by Malabrigo (75% Merino/25% Nylon; 100 grams; 420 yards)

**OR** approximately 400 yards of fingering or sock weight yarn.

### NEEDLES

US G/6-4.0mm Crochet Hook (smaller hook) US H/8-5.0mm Crochet Hook (larger hook) Or any hooks to get gauge. Just use the larger hook to start your chain so that your first row isn't too tight.

#### OTHER

tapestry needle to weave in ends, optional opening or crochet stitch markers

#### GAUGE

4 in = 15 hdc st and 12 rows, in pattern and wet blocked

#### A B B R E V I A T I O N S

ch - chain ch1sp - chain one space sl st - slip stitch hdc - half-double crochet bor - beginning-of-round

#### NOTES

Any fingering or sock weight yarn will work. Try to use something with a little drape, the open stitches and lace pattern works nicely with a variegated yarn.

After creating your first half-double crochet row, do not turn or join after each round, it is crocheted in a continuous spiral.

The beginning-of-round marker is a visual reference for where to start the changes in the pattern, but this spot is not absolute since you are crocheting in a spiral and the pattern has a little forgiveness if you get off. If you prefer more precision, you can move your marker after each round of 120 stitches. To increase or decrease the circumference of the cowl, add or remove stitches in even numbers. The length of the cowl can be modified by adding or deleting rows in pattern until height is obtained.

#### INSTRUCTIONS

Starting with the larger hook, Ch 120 stitches. Turn.

Row 1: Using the smaller hook, ch 1 and place a removable maker into the chain 1 stitch you just made, then hdc into the next ch and each ch to end of the row. Do not turn. Join in the round with a slip stitch in the first chain stitch with the removable marker. This becomes your beginning of round. You should have 120 stitches.

(This is your foundational row. If you know how to do a half-double crochet foundational stitch, you can replace the chain, turn, and row one with 120 FHDC stitches with the smaller needle.)

R2: hdc into each st

R3: [ch 1, skip 1 st, hdc into next st] repeat through end of round

R4: [ch 1, hdc into ch1sp] repeat through end of round

For the remainder of the pattern you will repeat rows 2-4 in different combinations:

R5-R6: Repeat R2 R7: Repeat R3 R8: Repeat R4 R9-R10: Repeat R2 R11: Repeat R3 R12: Repeat R4 R13-R20: Repeat R2 R21: Repeat R3 R22: Repeat R4 R23-R24: Repeat R2 R25: Repeat R3 R26: Repeat R4 R27-R28: Repeat R2 R29: Repeat R3 R30: Repeat R4 R31-R38: Repeat R2 R39: Repeat R3 R40: Repeat R4 R41-R42: Repeat R2 R43: Repeat R3 R44: Repeat R4 R45-R46: Repeat R2 R47: Repeat R3 R48: Repeat R4 R49-R50: Repeat R2



#### FINISHING

SI st into next 3 to 6 stitches to even out the edge. Cut yarn. Close the open chain stitches at the beginning of the project with tail of yarn. Weave in both ends. Soak in luke warm water with a little bit of ph neutral soap if desired (eucalan, or soak work great). Let it sit for 5 to 10 minutes. Squeeze out excess water. Lay flat to dry.

#### EVERYTHING ELSE

If you are wondering, Eremita is named for my Grandmother, who first taught me to crochet as a young girl. It wasn't until I was an adult that I truly appreciated and cultivated that gift, long after she was gone. This first pattern I've written is in honor of her creative spirit and love and I'm so excited to share it with the Wine Country Yarn Hoppers!

For a screen-reader friendly version of this pattern, please contact me, I'm a low-vision reader so I love finding patterns that are easily converted for screen-readers, or better yet, already written for screen-readers.

I welcome feedback and comments, and if you find an error, please do let me know!

I would love to see your creations, you can share on ravelry or Instagram using hashtag #eremitacrochetcowl

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