Snowfire

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Finished Measurements:

Circumference: approx. 32 in.

Height: approx. 4 in.

Materials:

Yarn: Critical Sheep D4 Fingering 75% superwash/25% nylon 450 yds. in Beacon and Malabrigo Sock Fingering 100% superwash in 683 Cian

Needles: Size 6 22 in. circular needles

Other Materials: stitch markers, tapestry needle, row counter, life-line (Use a life-line! Brioche is very tricky to fix!)

Gauge: 28 sts./28 rows=4 in. in brioche stitch pattern. Gauge is not critical for this project.

Pattern Notes:

CO: cast-on **BO**: bind-off

st(s): stitch/stitches

k: knit **p:** purl

LC: light color **DC:** dark color

sl1yo: slip 1 stitch with a yarn over-with the working yarn in front slip the next stitch. This will mean that the yarn in front will cross up and over the stitch just slipped.

brk: brioche knit-knit the stitch that was slipped with a yarn over from the last round being sure to knit both the yarn over and the slipped stitch as if they were one stitch.

brp: brioche purl-purl the stitch that was slipped with a yarn over from the last round being sure to purl both the yarn over and the slipped stitch as if they were one stitch.

brkyobrk: 2-stitch increase- brk1, leave the stitch on the left-hand needle, yarn over, then brk1 into the same stitch. In the fabric, these 3 stitches will "bloom" out of 1 center stitch.

br4st inc: 4-stitch increase-(brk1, yo) twice, brk1 into one stitch.

brLsl dec: 2-stitch decrease that slants to the left. This decrease involves 3 total stitches. Slip the first stitch knitwise, brk the following 2 stitches together, and pass the slipped stitch over.

brRsl dec: 2-stitch decrease that slants to the right. This decrease involves 3 total stitches. Slip the first stitch knitwise, knit the next stitch, pass the slipped stitch over, place the knit stitch back on the left-hand needle, pass the following stitch over, and move the stitch back to the right-hand needle.

For more information and pictures of how to work these specific brioche stitches I would highly recommend <u>Knitting Fresh Brioche</u> by Nancy Marchant. Below are also some Youtube videos you may find helpful.

Basic 2 color brioche in the round:

https://www.voutube.com/watch?v=mOjrASC8OW8

Two-stitch increase (brkyobrk):

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s6tTHKh45aI

Four-stitch increase (br4st inc):

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=40Kpl0FDKgw

Left-leaning decrease (brLsl dec):

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qg-uoPGMGzE

Right-leaning decrease (brRsl dec):

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CqFuqseHzFI

Remember that when brioche knitting it takes two "passes" or rounds to complete 1 round. Each round will first be worked in the light color (Beacon) and then the dark color (Cian). I find it helpful to leave the color I just worked in the front of my work. For example, on the light color round the last stitch is a sl1yo. I move my working yarn to the front, slip the next stitch, and yarn over all the way around the needle so my working yarn is back in the front of my work. Then I pick up my dark color and begin working the dark color round.



Pattern:

Using a long-tail caston and your dark color (DC) CO 240 VERY LOOSELY, placing a stitch marker every 24 stitches. Without twisting, join to work in the round.

Set-up Rounds:

Knit 4 rounds (the bottom edge is going to curl)

Brioche set-up row LC: (k1, sl1yo) repeat around **Brioche set-up row DC:** (sl1yo, brp) repeat around

Brioche Pattern:

Round 1 LC: *(brk1, sl1yo) 2 times, brRsl dec, sl1yo, br4st inc, sl1yo, brLsl dec, sl1yo, (brk,sl1yo) 2times, brLsl dec, sl1yo, brkyobrk, sl1yo* repeat from* **Round 1 DC:** *(sl1yo, brp1) 3 times, (sl1yo, p1) 2 times, (sl1yo, brp1) 4 times, sl1yo, brp1, sl1yo, p1, sl1yo brp1* repeat from*

Round 2 LC: (brk1, sl1yo) repeat around Round 2 DC: (sl1yo, brp1) repeat around

Round 3 LC: *brk1, sl1yo, brRsl dec, sl1yo, brkyobrk, sl1yo, brk1, sl1yo, brkyobrk, sl1yo, brLsl dec, (sl1yo, brk1) 4 *times*, sl1yo* repeat from* **Round 3 DC:** *(sl1yo, brp1) 2 *times*, sl1yo, p1, (sl1yo, brp1) 2 *times*, sl1yo, p1, (sl1yo, brp1)

6 times* repeat from*

Round 4 LC: (brk1, sl1yo) repeat around Round 4 DC: (sl1yo, brp1) repeat around

Round 5 LC: *brRsl dec, sl1yo, brkyobrk, sl1yo, (brk1, sl1yo) 3 times, brkyobrk, sl1yo, brLsl dec, sl1yo, brkyobrk, sl1yo, brRsl dec, sl1yo* repeat from* **Round 5 DC:** *sl1yo brp1, sl1yo, p1, (sl1yo, brp1) 4 times, sl1yo, p1, (sl1yo brp1) 2 times, sl1yo, p1, (sl1yo, brp1) 2 times* repeat from*

Round 6 LC: (brk1, sl1yo) repeat around **Round 6 DC:** (sl1yo, brp1) repeat around

Round 7 LC: *brk1, sl1yo, brRsl dec, sl1yo, brkyobrk, sl1yo, brk1, sl1yo, brkyobrk, sl1yo, brLsl dec, (sl1yo, brk1) 4 *times*, sl1yo* repeat from*

Round 7 DC: *(sl1yo, brp1) 2 times, sl1yo, p1, (sl1yo, brp1) 2 times, sl1yo, p1, (sl1yo, brp1) six times* repeat from*

Round 8 LC: (brk1, sl1yo) repeat around **Round 8 DC:** (sl1yo, brp1) repeat around

Repeat brioche pattern rounds 1-8 4 more times for a total of 5 pattern repeats or until the cowl reaches your desired depth.

Finishing Rounds:

Cut the light color (LC) yarn, leaving enough of a tail to weave in the end. Knit 4 rounds in the dark color (DC) yarn.

BO very loosely so the top edge also curls.

Weave in the ends and block if desired. The sample WAS NOT blocked.

