

Norwegian Morning Bonnet, Godey's 1861

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This pattern calls for Shetland wool, which is lace weight. I have found working this bonnet in lace weight to be way too small. It is possible that it was intended to be worked in two strands of lace weight wool, which produces a denser and warmer item. I used fingering weight yarn, and was happy with my hood, but two strands of lace is another option.

Materials:

- Fingering weight yarn (2 oz main color, 1 oz accent)
- 2.75mm knitting needle and crochet hook
- 5 yards ¼ inch silk ribbon
- 2 yards 1.25 inch or wider silk ribbon

Size: 25.5 inches wide along the brim, 13 inches from the top to the bottom point.

Gauge: 14 rows x 8 stitches wide = approx. 1 square inch

Start:

Foundation: Cast on 240 stitches

Rows 1 – 2: Knit

Row 3: k1, k2tog, knit 115, k2tog, place marker, k2tog, knit 115, k1

Row 4: Knit

Row 5: K1, k2tog, knit till 2 stitches before marker, k2tog, k2tog on the other side of marker, knit till last three stitches, k2tog, k1

Repeat Rows 4 – 5: till you have worked 36 rows alternating decreasing and working plainly. You will have 18 rows decreasing, 18 rows plain, and the two foundation rows worked. (168 stitches total/84 on each side)

Tie on White:

Keeping pattern with decreases, work 3 rows of white

Eyelet Row: k1, *yo, k2tog* till end

Keeping pattern with decreases, work 3 more rows of white

Tie on Main Color:

Continue work in pattern (rows 4 -5) for 12 rows, then tie on white and repeat the white section. Continue until you have 3 stripes of the main color, and 4 stripes of white.

With Main color, work 16 (more or less is fine) rows decreasing till you have 1 stitch. Bind off.

Crochet Border:

Row 1: Space around the edge *1dc, ch1, 1dc,* work a chain 3 between each set of *1dc, ch1, 1dc*

Row 2: *Work 9 dc in the center of the ch1 area below, work a sc in the next ch 1 area below* repeat around

Weave narrow ribbon through eyelets, and down front. Make and attach bows. Add ribbon ties. I used a blocking board to create loopy bows.



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A NORWEGIAN MORNING OR BONNET CAP, IN SHETLAND WOOL.

Materials—Half an ounce each of cerise and white Shetland wool; two steel knitting pins, No. 12; crochet hook, No. 2.



Cast on 240 stitches. K (or knit) two plain rows *; now knit one stitch; take two together; knit 115 stitches; take two together, and take two together again; now K the remainder, taking two together before the last stitch. The next row back is plain; now repeat from * till there are 18 ribs of knitting in which there are 36 rows alternately decreased and plain. Take the white wool—knit three rows in the same way, which is one rib and one row, decreasing as before: K one stitch; take two together; wind the wool twice over the pins; take two together, wind twice over the pin again till there are 41 holes; then take two together twice; make 41 holes again; take two together; K 1; now knit three rows plain, again decreasing as before.

Now, with cerise wool, knit six ribs or twelve rows, decreasing as before. Then with white the same as the first white stripe. Then continue with white and cerise alternately till there are four white and four cerise stripes irrespective of the first deep border. Now, with cerise, knit 16 rows, decreasing as before. This finishes with one stitch. For the border along the

front, with cerise, make 2 L stitches, with 1 ch between each L; in one loop of the knitting 3 ch; 2 more L as before in an equal space to the 3 ch: this is along the front only. 2d row, 9 L, with 1 ch between each u the 1 ch; 1 ch do between next 2 L; 1 ch 9 L with 1 ch between each u next; 1 ch repeat. This last row is worked with the knitting at the back within the row of L stitches. Run cerise ribbon in the alternate holes of the white rows, and the same in the alternate L stitches of the border.