

# Sweet Valentine Cowl

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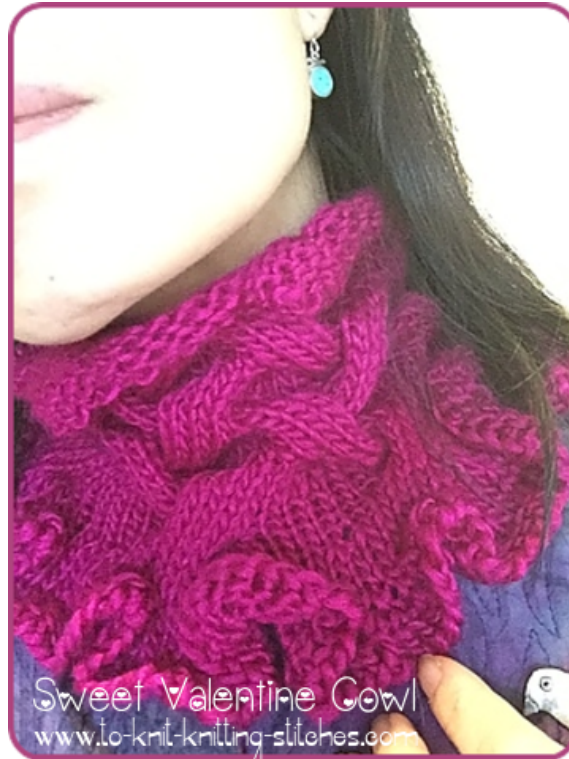
It has been awhile since my last published pattern. It's great to get back on writing again. This time I am going to share this lovely little neck cowl with you. It is knitted with Scrumptious dk/worsted 45 % silk and 55% merino yarn by Fyberspates. by yarn (100g/220/241 yds) I ordered from [craftsy.com](http://craftsy.com) which is not available anymore, but you could try [knitpicks.com](http://knitpicks.com). It is a bit ravel when not careful because the strain is not twisted together but it's very shiny and soft. I used a little bit more than half of the yarn. I'm not sure if [craftsy](http://craftsy.com) still has any of this yarn left, but they sure carry a lot of beautiful yarns with great price. The color is so sweet and it might as well have this "Sweet Valentine" name for it. The cowl can be knitted in a week if you're an average knitter. For fast knitter, this could be done in a day or two.

The cowl is comfortably fit around my neck. I made 3 buttonholes for it so that people who have bigger head don't have to struggle putting it over their heads. If you like looser scarf or you have a large neck, I recommend making a bigger size.

## Description

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A cute, close-fitted female cowl featuring braid cable and a ruffle edge. It is knitted with light weight worsted weight yarn using straight needle US size # 10 (6mm). The work begins from the top with a few rows of stockinette st and then 3 sets of 10 sts-cable pattern. The button band and button holes are worked at each ends at the same time of the body. There is no seaming for this project except attaching the 3 buttons.



**Gauge:** 4 sts/6 rows per inch using US# 10 (size 6mm) needle.

**Size available:** small (7 1/4 x 16 inches) - close fit and large (7 1/4 x 20 inches) loose fit. If you want even wider, you may add multiple of 15 sts to it. Just have to buy more yarn though.

### Materials

1. 110 (140) yds of worsted weight yarn of your choice. Make sure to pick yarn that won't irritate your skin. Cotton, silk, bamboo, acrylic and nylon are the least itchy ones.
2. A pair of knitting needle size US #10 (6mm)
3. Cable needle
4. 3 3/4-1 inch-diameter buttons (it's better to get buttons with big holes for easy attachment)
5. Row counter
6. Stitch markers (optional)
7. Tapestry needle to weave ends

### Direction

**Note:** The number in the bracket refers to the bigger size. To make even bigger sizes, add multiple of 15 sts to the existing pattern.

**Optional:** Place one stitch marker after the 6th st and another one before the last 6 sts to remind you of garter st button bands.

**C10F** = Cable 10 Front is done by placing the next 5 st on a cable needle and leave them at the front of work, knit the next 5 sts, then knit the 5 sts from cable needle.

**C10B** = Cable 10 Back is done by placing the next 5 st on a cable needle and leave them at the back of work, knit the next 5 sts, then knit the 5 sts off the cable needle.

### **Begin Neck Cowl Here**

Cast on 87 (102) sts. Knit 2 rows. (if using long-tail cast on knit 1 row)  
Begin working **10-Stitches-Cable Pattern** below;

**Row 1 (right side):** Knit.

**Row 2 (wrong side):** K6, place marker, p to the last 6 sts, place marker, k6.

**Row 3:** K to last 5 sts, k2tog, yo, k3. (button hole row)

**Row 4:** As row 2.

**Row 5:** K 6, \*C10F, k5; repeat from \* to the last 6 st, k 6.

**Row 6:** As row 2.

**Row 7:** Knit.

**Row 8:** As row 2.

**Row 9:** Knit.

**Row 10:** As row 2.

**Row 11:** K6, \*k5, C10B; repeat from \* to last 6 sts, k6.

**Row 12:** As row 2.

Repeat cable pattern row 1-12 twice then begin **Ruffle Edge** as follow;

**Row 1 (right side):** knit.

**Row 2:** Purl.

**Row 3:** K1, \*k into front and back of the next st, k2; repeat from \* to last 2sts, k into front and back of the next st, k1.

**Row 4:** Purl.

**Row 5:** K1, \*k into front and back of the next 2 sts, k2; repeat from \* to last 2 sts, k into front and back of the next st, k1.

**Row 6:** Purl.

**Row 7:** K1, \*k into front and back of the next 4 sts, k2; repeat from \* to last 2sts, k into front and back of the next st, k1.

**Row 8:** Purl.

Bind off all sts loosely.

Attach the 3 buttons on the opposite end of buttonholes. Enjoy!

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Here is a link to my tutorial video on how to **knit in front and back of the stitch** (kfbk);  
[http://youtu.be/tSieOh\\_j46U](http://youtu.be/tSieOh_j46U)

And here is a video on how to do cable C10F and C10B;  
<http://youtu.be/LSf2X4wZx0A?list=PLipKTR3NgbEoJH9BFh0hC8v7Q5FuMFxog>