

London Calling

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London Calling is a quick knit and fun knit, it is simple and yet effective. The body is reminiscent of the rains drops expected of London and the edging was inspired by the gothic arches found in Castles, Cathedrals and Ruins found in the UK.

Materials:

1,5 skeins of Nurturing Fibres Soft Spun Worsted (100% Merino) 100g = 170m

5.5mm (US 9) needles

Stitch marker and a tapestry needle for sewing in the ends

Pattern notes:

Tension square before blocking: 2 inches x 2 inches = 8 stitches x 12 rows

Remember to check that your tension square is correct.

If your tension is too loose, then use a smaller needle.

If your tension is too tight then try a bigger needle.

LETS GET KNITTING

THE SETUP

With 5.5mm needles, cast on 3 stitches.

Knit 6 rows.

Pick up 3sts on the selvedge and 3sts on the cast on edge and k all 9.

STITCH COUNT: 9 stitches

THE BODY

Row 1: K2, YO, P to last 2, YO, K2.

Row 2: K2, YO, K2, KFB, place marker, KFB, knit to last 2 stitches, YO, K2.

Row 3: and every alternate row: K2, YO, P to last 2, YO, K2.

Row 4: K2, YO, K to 1 stitch before the marker, KFB, SM, KFB, K to last 2 stitches, YO, K2 [21 stitches]

Row 6: K2, YO, K3, k1b, YO, k1b, K3, KFB, SM, KFB, K4, k1b, YO, k1b, K3, YO, K2

Row 8: K2, YO, K5, k1b, K1, k1b, K4, KFB, SM, KFB, K5, k1b, K1, k1b, K5, YO, K2

ROW 10: K2, YO, K7, k1b, K1, k1b, K5, KFB, SM, KFB, K6, k1b, K1, k1b, K7, YO, K2

ROW 12: K2, YO, K9, k1b, D1, k1b, K6, KFB, SM, KFB, K7, k1b, D1, k1b, K9, YO, K2

ROW 14: K2, YO, K to 1 stitch before the marker, KFB, SM, KFB, K to last 2 stitches, YO, K2 [51 stitches]

RAIN DROPS

ROW 16: K2, YO, K7, k1b, YO, k1b, K10, k1b, YO, k1b, K2, KFB, SM, KFB, K3, k1b, YO, k1b, K10, k1b, YO, k1b, K7, YO, K2

ROW 18: K2, YO, K9, k1b, K1, k1b, K10, k1b, K1, k1b, K3, KFB, SM, KFB, K4, k1b, K1, k1b, K10, k1b, K1, k1b, K9, YO, K2

ROW 20: K2, YO, K11, k1b, K1, k1b, K10, k1b, K1, k1b, K4, KFB, SM, KFB, K5, k1b, K1, k1b, K10, k1b, K1, k1b, K11, YO, K2

ROW 22: K2, YO, K13, k1b, D1, k1b, K10, k1b, D1, k1b, K5, KFB, SM, KFB, K6, k1b, D1, k1b, K10, k1b, d1, k1b, K13, YO, K2

ROW 24: K2, YO, K to 1 stitch before the marker, KFB, SM, KFB, K to last 2 stitches, YO, K2 [81 stitches]

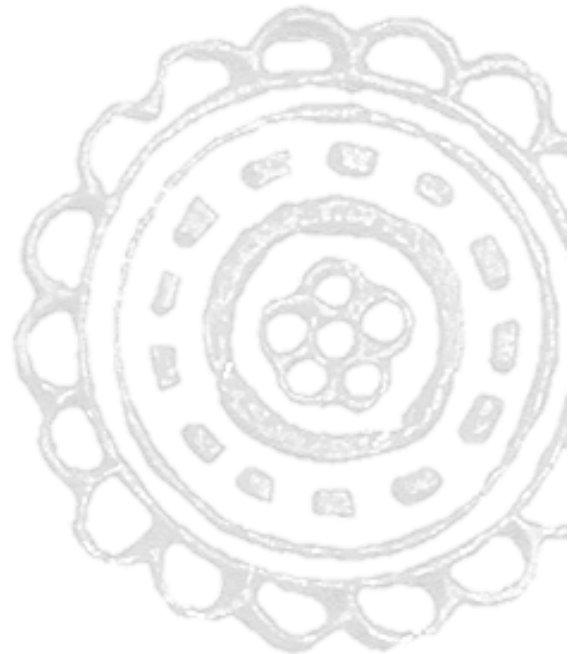
ROW 26: K2, YO, K11, [k1b, YO, k1b, K10]x2, k1b, YO, k1b, K1, KFB, SM, KFB, K2, [k1b, YO, k1b, K10]x2, k1b, YO, k1b, K11, YO, K2

ROW 28: K2, YO, K13, [k1b, K1, k1b, K10]x2, k1b, K1, k1b, K2, KFB, SM, KFB, K3, [k1b, K1, k1b, K10]x2, k1b, K1, k1b, K13, YO, K2

ROW 30: K2, YO, K15, [k1b, K1, k1b, K10]x2, k1b, K1, k1b, K3, KFB, SM, KFB, K4, [k1b, K1, k1b, K10]x2, k1b, K1, k1b, K15, YO, K2

ROW 32: K2, YO, K17, [k1b, D1, k1b, K10]x2, k1b, D1, k1b, K4, KFB, SM, KFB, K5, [k1b, D1, k1b, K10]x2, k1b, D1, k1b, K17, YO, K2

ROW 34: K2, YO, K to 1 stitch before the marker, KFB, SM, KFB, K to last 2 stitches, YO, K2 [111 stitches]



ROW 36: K2, YO, K3, [k1b, YO, k1b, K10,]x4, k1b, YO, k1b, K0, **KFB, SM, KFB**, K1, [k1b, YO, k1b, K10]x4, k1b, YO, k1b, K3, YO, K2
 ROW 38: K2, YO, K5, [k1b, K1, k1b, K10,]x4, k1b, K1, k1b, K1, **KFB, SM, KFB**, K2, [k1b, K1, k1b, K10]x4, k1b, K1, k1b, K5, YO, K2
 ROW 40: K2, YO, K7, [k1b, K1, k1b, K10,]x4, k1b, K1, k1b, K2, **KFB, SM, KFB**, K3, [k1b, K1, k1b, K10]x4, k1b, K1, k1b, K7, YO, K2
 ROW 42: K2, YO, K9, [k1b, D1, k1b, K10]x4, k1b, D1, k1b, K3, **KFB, SM, KFB**, K4, [k1b, D1, k1b, K10]x4, k1b, D1, k1b, K9, YO, K2
 ROW 44: K2, YO, K to 1 stitch before the marker, **KFB, SM, KFB**, K to last 2 stitches, YO, K2 [141 stitches]
 ROW 46: K2, YO, K7, [k1b, YO, k1b, K10,]x5, k1b, YO, **KFB, SM, KFB**, [k1b, YO, k1b, K10]x5, k1b, YO, k1b, K7, YO, K2
 ROW 48: K2, YO, K9, [k1b, K1, k1b, K10,]x5, k1b, K1, k1b, **KFB, SM, KFB**, K1, [k1b, K1, k1b, K10]x5, k1b, K1, k1b, K9, YO, K2
 ROW 50: K2, YO, k11, [k1b, K1, k1b, K10,]x5, k1b, K1, k1b, K1, **KFB, SM, KFB**, K2, [k1b, K1, k1b, K10]x5, k1b, K1, k1b, k11, YO, K2
 ROW 52: K2, YO, K13, [k1b, D1, k1b, K10]x5, k1b, D1, k1b, K2, **KFB, SM, KFB**, K3, [k1b, D1, k1b, K10]x5, k1b, D1, k1b, K13, YO, K2
 ROW 54: K2, YO, K to 1 stitch before the marker, **KFB, SM, KFB**, K to last 2 stitches, YO, K2 [171 stitches]
 ROW 56: K2, YO, k11, [k1b, YO, k1b, K10,]x6, **KFB, SM, KFB**, K11, [k1b, YO, k1b, K10]x6, k1, YO, K2
 ROW 58: K2, YO, K13, [k1b, K1, k1b, K10,]x6, k1, **KFB, SM, KFB**, K12, [k1b, K1, k1b, K10]x6, K3, YO, K2
 ROW 60: K2, YO, k15, [k1b, K1, k1b, K10,]x6, k2, **KFB, SM, KFB**, K13, [k1b, K1, k1b, K10]x6, K5, YO, K2
 ROW 62: K2, YO, K17, [k1b, D1, k1b, K10]x6, K3, **KFB, SM, KFB**, K14, [k1b, D1, k1b, K10]x6, K7, YO, K2
 ROW 64: K2, YO, K to 1 stitch before the marker, **KFB, SM, KFB**, K to last 2 stitches, YO, K2 [201 stitches]

THE GOTHIC ARCHES

ROW 66: K2, YO, K4, [YO, K5, k2tog, K5]x7, YO, K5, k2tog, K3, **KFB, SM, KFB**, K4, k2tog, K5, YO, [K5, k2tog, K5, YO]x7, K4, YO, K2
 ROW 68: K2, YO, K2, [K4, YO, K1, YO, K4, SLK2P,]x8, K3, **KFB, SM, KFB**, [K4, SLK2P, K4, YO, K1, YO]x8, K6, YO, K2
 ROW 70: K2, YO, [K2, SLK2P, K3, (YO, K1)x4]x8, K2, SLK2P, K3, YO, K1, YO, **SM**, (K1, YO)x2, K3, [SLK2P, K3, (YO, K1)x4, k2]x8, SLK2P, k2, YO, K2 [249 sts]
 ROW 72: K2, YO, K2, [K1, SLK2P, K2, (YO, K1)x8]x8, K1, SLK2P, K2, [YO, K1]x3, YO, **SM**, (K1, YO)x4, K2, [SLK2P, K2, (YO, K1)x8, K1]x8, SLK2P, K3, YO, K2 [351 sts]
 ROW 74: K2, YO, K4, [SLK2P, K17]x17, SLK2P, K4, YO, K2
 ROW 75: Cast off **very** loosely – I used a 7mm [US 10.5] needle!
 Break yarn and sew in ends.
 Wet shawl and block.



ABBREVIATIONS:

K: Knit
 P: Purl
 KFB: Knit into the front and back of the stitch
 PFB: Purl front and back
 SM: Slip marker
 K1b: Knit one through the back loop
 D1: drop 1 stitch
 YO: Yarn over
 SLK2P: slip 1stitch, K2 together, pass slipped stitch over the 2 knitted together. [3 stitches become 1]
 SLP2P: slip 1stitch, K2 together, pass slipped stitch over the 2 purled together. [3 stitches become 1]
 YOY: Bring yarn through between the needles, then over the top of the right needle and back under the work to K2.
 On the next row knit the YOY TBL to open up the YO.

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