



## *Opalite*

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**SIZES**

7½" x 93"

**MATERIALS**

Manos del Uruguay FINO (70% extrafine merino, 30% silk; approx. 100g/490 yds), 1 sk MC + 1 Fino Mini-Skein Kit.

Shown in 413 Rosewater (MC), with Fino Mini-Skein Kit #20 Willa [CC1 423 Tincture (dark green), CC2 407 Velvet Pincushion (medium green), CC3 435 Opal (light green), CC4 442 Promenade (light purple), CC5 438 Poison (dark purple)]

US 6/4mm ndl, or size to obtain gauge

Ring marker

Large stitch holder or scrap yarn

Tapestry needle

**GAUGE**

5½ st = 1" in Garter st, unblocked

**NOTES**

Cut yarn when changing to new CC.

To make smooth color transitions: Slip the first st of every row with yarn in front. On the last row of a color, knit the last stitch with the new color that will begin on the following row.

**ABBREVIATIONS**

beg: beginning

CC: Contrast Color

k: knit

k1tbl: knit one stitch through the back loop

k2tog: knit 2 sts together (1 st decreased)

m: marker

MC: Main Color

m1L: insert left needle under horizontal strand between stitch just worked and next stitch from the front to the back, knit through the back loop (1 st increased)

m1R: insert left needle under horizontal strand between stitch just worked and next stitch from the back to the front, knit through the front loop (1 st increased)

ndl: needle

patt: pattern

pm: place marker

rem: remain(ing)

rep: repeat

RS: right side

sl: slip

slk2p: slip next st knitwise, k2tog, pass slipped st over (2 sts decreased)

sm: slip marker

ssk: slip 2 stitches, 1 at a time, knitwise to the right needle.

Return stitches to the left needle in turned position then knit them together through the back loops (1 stitch decreased)

st(s): stitch(es)

tbl: through back of loop

WS: wrong side

wyif: with yarn in front



Fino Mini-Skein Kit #20 Willa

*STITCH GUIDE**Increasing Pattern*

For triangle body of scarf

Row 1 (MC): K2, m1R, k to 1 st before m, m1L, k1, sm, k1, m1R, k to last 2 sts, m1L, k2. (4 sts increased)

Row 2 (MC): Knit.

Rows 3 and 4: With CC, rep Rows 1 and 2. (4 sts increased)

Rep rows 1-4 for Increasing Pattern.

*Right Bias Pattern*

Row 1: With CC, k2, m1R, k to last 4 sts, k2tog, k2.

Row 2: Knit.

Row 3: With MC, k2, m1R, k to last 4 sts, k2tog, k2.

Row 4: Knit.

Rep rows 1-4 for Right Bias Pattern.

*Left Bias Pattern*

Row 1: With MC, k2, ssk, k to last 2 sts, m1L, k2.

Row 2: Knit.

Rows 3 and 4: With CC, rep Rows 1 and 2.

Rep rows 1-4 for Left Bias Pattern.

*Decreasing Pattern*

Row 1 (MC): K2, ssk, k to last 4 sts, k2tog, k2. (2 sts decreased)

Row 2: Knit.

Rows 3 and 4: With CC, rep Rows 1 and 2. (2 sts decreased)

Rep rows 1-4 for Decreasing Pattern.

*INSTRUCTIONS*

With MC, cast on 6 sts.

Set-up Rows

Row 1 (WS): Knit.

Row 2: Join CC1. K2, yo, k1, pm, k1, yo, k2. 8 sts.

Row 3: K2, k1tbl, k2, k1tbl, k2.

Begin body of scarf:

Using CC1 as CC, work 8 rows of Increasing Patt.

Change to CC2 and work 12 rows of Increasing Patt.

Change to CC3 and work 12 rows of Increasing Patt, then work 12 rows of Inc Patt each using CC4 and CC5.

Finally, work 12 rows of Inc Patt using CC1.

Dividing:

With MC, k2, m1R, k 66, k2tog, k2. Remove m and turn; sl next 72 st to waste yarn or holder. Knit back. 72 st.

Work 12 rows of Right Bias Pattern each with CC2, 3, 4, 5, and 1. Continue to use CCs in this order, 12 rows at a time, until each color has been used 4 times and you've reached the end of Stripe 3 of CC5.

Change to Decrease Patt.

Work rows 1-4 of Decrease Patt 16 times, continuing to change CC as before, then work rows 1-2 once more. (6 sts rem)

Next row: With CC1, k2, k2tog, k2. (5 sts) Knit back.

Next row: With MC, k1, slk2p, k1. (3 sts) Knit back.

Next row: With CC1, slk2p. Fasten off.

Second half:

Return held sts to needle and join MC with RS facing at beg of row (center of original triangle).

Work in Left Bias Patt in stripe sequence as for first half of scarf.

Rep Bias Sequence until piece measures same as first half from cast-on (center of beginning triangle) along longest edge (or desired length). Work Decrease Patt and conclusion as for first half.

*FINISHING*

Weave in ends. Steam-block gently to measurements.