## #371 | Heather Chill Chaser
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### Materials

**Schaefer Yarn** *Heather* (55% merino wool SUPERWASH, 30% silk, 15% nylon; 4 oz [113 g] / 400 yds [365 m]), 1 (2) skeins
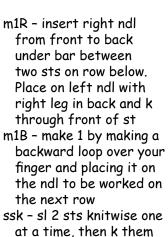
US Size 7 [4.5 mm] ndls

2 st markers

Tapestry ndl

Decorative clasp (optional)

**Size**: S/M (L/XL)

**Gauge**: Not critical. Approx. 20 sts / 22 rows = 4" in st st unblocked

### Abbreviations

tbl – through back loop

m1L – insert right ndl from front to back under bar between two sts on row below. Place on left ndl with right leg in front and k into back of st

m1R – insert right ndl from front to back under bar between two sts on row below. Place on left ndl with right leg in back and k through front of st

m1B – make 1 by making a backward loop over your finger and placing it on the ndl to be worked on the next row

ssk – sl 2 sts knitwise one at a time, then k them tog tbl

psso - pass sl st over

### Pattern Stitches (from Barbara Walker's *A Treasury of Knitting Patterns* and *Harmony Guide to Knitting*)

### Bead Stitch (7 st rep)

Row 1: (RS) *K1, k2tog, yo, k1, yo, ssk, k1; rep from *.

Row 2: *P2tog-b, yo, p3, yo, p2tog; rep from *.

Row 3: *K1, yo, ssk, k1, k2tog, yo, k1; rep from *.

Row 4: *P2, yo, p3tog, yo, p2; rep from *.

### Shetland Fern Stitch (15 st rep)

Row 1: (RS) *K7, yo, ssk, k6; rep from *.

Row 2, 4, 6, 8, 10: P across.

Row 3: *K5, k2tog, yo, k1, yo, ssk, k5; rep from *.

Row 5: *K4, k2tog, yo, k3, yo, ssk, k4; rep from *.

Row 7: *K4, yo, ssk, yo, sl1, k2tog, psso, yo, k2tog, yo, k4; rep from *.

Row 9: *K2, k2tog, yo, k1, yo, ssk, k1, k2tog, yo, k1, yo, ssk, k2; rep from *.

Row 11: *K2, (yo, ssk) twice, k3, (k2tog, yo) twice, k2; rep from *.
Row 12: *P3, (yo, p2tog) twice, p1, (p2tog-b, yo) twice, p3; rep from *.
Row 13: *K4, yo, ssk, yo, sl1, k2tog, psso, yo, k2tog, yo, k4; rep from *.
Row 14: *P5, yo, p2tog, p1, p2tog-b, yo, p5; rep from *.
Row 15: *K6, yo, sl1, k2tog, psso, yo, k6; rep from *.
Row 16: P across.

**Purse Stitch (2 st rep)**
Row 1: P1, *yo, p2tog; rep from * across, end p1.
Rep Row 1.

**Notes**
I designed this little shoulder capelet with my daughter-in-law, Magee, in mind. She is always cold in air conditioning and needed something that she could keep in her purse to pull out when she was in restaurants or other air conditioned places. This capelet will stay in place while you are eating and separate sufficiently in the front so that it won't get in food's way. It is also a nice introduction to lace knitting for those who don't want to start out with a large shawl.

**Pattern**
CO 64 (77) sts using a cable cast-on. Pm after the 4th and 60th (73rd) sts. There will be 56 (69) sts between the markers.
K 7 rows.
Increase on next row: K5 (7), [m1L, k9] 6 (7) times, m1L, k5 (7); 71 (85) sts.

Note: From this point to the final garter st edging, sl the first st of each row purlwise, and keep the first and last 4 sts in garter st. The following instructions apply to the sts between the markers only.

Work 12 rows in Bead Stitch.

Rows 1 and 2: K across.
Row 3: *Yo, k1; rep from * across; 126 (154) sts between the markers.
Row 4: K across.
Row 5: *K7, m1B, k7; rep from *; 135 (165) sts between the markers.
Row 6: P across.

Work 32 rows in Shetland Fir Stitch

*K1, m1B; rep from *; 270 (330) sts between the markers.

Work 16 rows in Purse Stitch.

Final garter edging – worked across all sts:
Row 1: (WS) K across.
Row 2: Ssk, k to last 2 sts, k2tog.
Rep these two rows 4 times more; 260 (320) sts. BO very loosely. (It may be helpful to use a larger size ndl to bind off.)

**Finishing**
Weave in ends with tapestry ndl. Steam-block gently. Sew clasp to top of the neckband, if desired.

ABBREVIATIONS:

| AH | armhole | dec | decrease | ndl(s) | needle(s) | rnd | round | WS | wrong side |
|----|---------|-----|----------|--------|-----------|-----|-------|-----|------------|
| beg | begin(ning) | est | established | p | purl | RS | right side | yo | yarn over |
| BH | buttonhole | inc | increase | pm | place marker | sl | slip st | | |
| BO | bind off | k | knit | rem | remaining | st(s) | stitch(es) | | |
| cn | cable needle | k1b | k 1 in back of st | rep | repeat | st st | stockinette st | | |
| CO | cast on | meas | measures | rev st st | reverse st st | tog | together | | |