

# Skoodlet

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This cozy warm hoodie/scarflet combo can be made in any gauge; make yourself a Skoodlet in different yarns for different looks, all with the same pattern!

This is a unique pattern, and may seem complicated, because it's written for any yarn/needles/gauge, but once you get all the numbers plugged in it'll just be a normal pattern. It's recommended that you look over the whole thing before getting to work.

This is a great pattern for handspun or hand-dyed yarns, and will show off self-stripping colors well. Do some swatching to decide what needle size is best for your yarn, and be sure to measure your gauge accurately, as your Skoodlet size and shape depends on your gauge and variables being correct.

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## You need

- ▶ enough yarn of your choice, any weight
- grey sample used approx 220 yards / 200 meters Brown Sheep *Lamb's Pride Bulky*
- green sample used approx 225 yards / 205 meters Malabrigo *Chunky*, held double, to act as approx 115 yards / 105 meters super bulky weight
- rainbwoy sample used approx 260 yards / 240 meters hand-dyed recycled wool, worsted weight
- ▶ needles sized best for your yarn choice
- a circular needle, 24" / 60cm or longer (longer is better)
- a smaller needle, around 3-5 sizes smaller (straight or circular)
- ▶ 4 stitch markers (preferably 4 different colors)
- ▶ a yarn needle
- ▶ a ruler/measuring tape, and/or gauge checking tool
- ▶ 2 or more buttons (size depends on gauge)

## How the pattern works

It may be hard to visualize what's going on with this pattern as you're working, so here's a quick breakdown of what you'll be doing:

Starting at the top of one ear, work flat up over the top of your head to the middle of the other side, the top of your other ear.



Join the hood together in back, then work across the back of your head, from the front of the hood on one side to the other side, using decreases to shape the hood to the back of your head.

When the back of the hood reaches the base of your skull, add the scarflet sections to the front of the hood; using short rows, work from one side to the other for the asymmetrical scarflet.

When the whole piece is just about as big as you want it (you can try it on as you work), work some garter stitch along the whole bottom, then sew up the back of the hood and you're done!

## Wearing

The Skoodlet is a fantastic winter accessory with a coat, acting as both a cowl and a hat when needed, tucking into the coat to keep out the wind.

If you make the hood extra big (so  $a=10x$  or so), it will easily fit over a hat or earmuffs, for extra warmth when you need it!

And for days that aren't so cold, but are rainy, you can skip the coat, wear it as a scarflet, and have the hood there whenever you need to pull it up!