

Escapist by Mary Keenan

Though Victorian (and earlier) times were undoubtedly hard for many English women, period dramas in film and on television view the period with romance. I find the little knit shawls that accessorize so many simple dresses especially comforting, not remotely pointless, and irresistibly pretty. Just how you'd like life to be - especially when it's not.

Abbreviations

K: knit

K2tog: K 2 sts together (decrease)

P: purl

ssk: slip slip knit (decrease)

st(s): stitch(es)

yo: yarn over (increase)

Part Two

Complete the following chart once; markers are slipped between each column. If you are changing yarn colours in Part Two, do so in row 4.

Trickiness Alert: watch for the bolded change in Row 6.

Row 1	K2	yo, K to marker, yo	K1, [yo, K1] 4 times	yo, K to marker, yo	K2
Row 2	K2	P to marker	[K1, P1] 4 times, K1	P to marker	K2
Row 3	K2	yo, K to marker, yo	K1, P1, ssk, K1, K2tog, P1, K1	yo, K to marker, yo	K2
Row 4	K2	P to marker	P1, K1, P3tog, K1, P1	P to marker	K2
Row 5	K2	yo, K to marker, yo	K1, [yo, K1] 4 times	yo, K to marker, yo	K2
Row 6	K2	K to marker	[K1, P1] 4 times, K1	K to marker	K2
Row 7	K2	yo, K to marker, yo	K1, P1, ssk, K1, K2tog, P1, K1	yo, K to marker, yo	K2
Row 8	K2	P to marker	P1, K1, P3tog, K1, P1	P to marker	K2

Stitch count on completed chart:

	2	83	5	83	2
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Complete the chart on the following page twice, then repeat rows 1-4 inclusive one more time; markers are slipped between each column. Stitch counts for the side panels are given at the end of the instructions, separated by commas for each repeat.

Part Two cont'd

Trickiness Alert: Don't forget the last yo in the 'ssk, yo' sequence in rows 3, 7, and 11; watch for the bolded change in Rows 6/8.

Row 1	K2	yo, K1, *yo, K2tog; repeat from * to 2 sts before marker, K2, yo - 85, 97, 109 sts	K1, [yo, K1] 4 times	yo, K2, *yo, K2tog; repeat from * to 1 st before marker, K1, yo - 85, 97, 109 sts	K2
Row 2	K2	P to marker	[K1, P1] 4 times, K1	P to marker	K2
Row 3	K2	yo, K1 *ssk, yo; repeat from * to 2 sts before marker, K2, yo - 87, 99, 111 sts	K1, P1, ssk, K1, K2tog, P1, K1	yo, K2, *ssk, yo; repeat from * to 1 st before marker, K1, yo - 87, 99, 111 sts	K2
Row 4	K2	P to marker	P1, K1, P3tog, K1, P1	P to marker	K2
Row 5	K2	yo, K1, *yo, K2tog; repeat from * to 2 sts before marker, K2, yo - 89, 101 sts	K1, [yo, K1] 4 times	yo, K2, *yo, K2tog; repeat from * to 1 st before marker, K1, yo - 89, 101 sts	K2
Row 6	K2	K to marker	[K1, P1] 4 times, K1	K to marker	K2
Row 7	K2	yo, K1 *ssk, yo; repeat from * to 2 sts before marker, K2, yo, - 91, 103 sts	K1, P1, ssk, K1, K2tog, P1, K1	yo, K2 *ssk, yo; repeat from * to 1 st before marker, K1, yo, - 91, 103 sts	K2
Row 8	K2	K to marker	P1, K1, P3tog, K1, P1	K to marker	K2
Row 9	K2	yo, K1, *yo, K2tog; repeat from * to 2 sts before marker, K2, yo - 93, 105 sts	K1, [yo, K1] 4 times	yo, K2, *yo, K2tog; repeat from * to 1 st before marker, K1, yo - 93, 105 sts	K2
Row 10	K2	P to marker	[K1, P1] 4 times, K1	P to marker	K2
Row 11	K2	yo, K1 *ssk, yo; repeat from * to 2 sts before marker, K2, yo - 95, 107 sts	K1, P1, ssk, K1, K2tog, P1, K1	yo, K2 *ssk, yo; repeat from * to 1 st before marker, K1, yo - 95, 107 sts	K2
Row 12	K2	P to marker	P1, K1, P3tog, K1, P1	P to marker	K2

Stitch count after two complete chart repeats plus repeat of rows 1-4

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