



***Free Crochet Pattern***  
**Lion Brand®**  
**LB Collection® Superwash Merino**  
**Fox Paw Shawl**  
Pattern Number: L80375  
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## **SKILL LEVEL** – Intermediate

### **SIZE**

#### **FINISHED SIZE**

About 19 1/2 x 75 in. (49.5 x 190.5 cm), after blocking

### **MATERIALS**

- Lion Brand® LB Collection® Superwash Merino (Art. #486)
  - 149 Charcoal 2 balls (MC)
  - 153 Night Sky 1 ball (NS)
  - 123 Hemp 1 ball (H)
  - 158 Mustard Seed 1 ball (D)
  - 157 Citron 1 ball (C)
  - 098 Antique 1 ball (I)
- Lion Brand® crochet hook size H-8 (5 mm)
- Lion Brand® crochet hook size I-9 (5.5 mm)
- Lion Brand® stitch markers
- Lion Brand® large-eyed blunt needle



### **GAUGE**

15 sc + 16 rows = about 4 in. (10 cm) after blocking.

BE SURE TO CHECK YOUR GAUGE.

### **STITCH EXPLANATIONS**

**Dec (Decrease)** Pick up lp in each of next 2 sts, yo and pull through all 3 lps.

**DbI Dec (Double Decrease)** Pick up lp in next st, skip next st, pick up lp in next st, yo and pull through all 3 lps.

**Triple Dec (Triple Decrease)** (Pick up lp in next st, skip next st) twice, yo and pull through all 4 lps.

**DbI Inc (Double Increase)** 3 sc in same sp.

**Picot 4** Pick up lp in next st, yo and draw through first lp, yo and draw through both lps for foundationless-sc, (pick up lp in bottom ch of foundationless-sc, yo and draw through first lp, yo and draw through both lps for another foundationless sc) 4 times, 2 sc in bottom ch of last foundationless-sc worked, sc in bottom ch of each of remaining 4 foundationless-sc.

**Picot 3** Pick up lp in next st, yo and draw through first lp, yo and draw through both lps for foundationless-sc, (pick up lp in bottom ch of foundationless-sc, yo and draw through first lp, yo and draw through both lps for another foundationless sc) 3 times, 2 sc in bottom ch of last foundationless-sc worked, sc in bottom ch of each of remaining 3 foundationless-sc.

**Picot 2** Pick up lp in next st, yo and draw through first lp, yo and draw through both lps for foundationless-sc, (pick up lp in bottom ch of foundationless-sc, yo and draw through first lp, yo and draw through both lps for another foundationless sc) 2 times, 2 sc in bottom ch of last foundationless-sc worked, sc in bottom ch of each of remaining 2 foundationless-sc.

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Work into **FRONT LPS** of all sts unless otherwise stated.

**NOTE**

The finished Shawl will require aggressive steam blocking.

**SHAWL**

With larger hook and MC, loosely ch 102.

**Row 1 (WS):** With smaller hook, working into BACK bumps of ea ch across, dec first 2 ch tog, \* sc in each of next 8 ch, dbl inc in next ch, sc in each of next 8 ch, dbl dec over next 3 ch; rep from \* across, end with dec last 2 ch tog instead of dbl dec – 101 sts.

**Row 2-** Ch 1 and turn, working into FRONT LPS, dec first 2 sts tog, \* sc in each of next 8 sts, dbl inc in next sc, sc in each of next 8 sts, dbl dec over next 3 sts; rep from \* across, end with dec last 2 sts tog instead of dbl dec and picking up last lp of last st going through BOTH lps.

**Row 3:** Rep Row 2, fasten off MC.

**Row 4 (RS):** With H, beg with slip knot on larger hook, sl st into first st through BOTH lps, sl st in each st across through FRONT lps to last st, sl st in last st through BOTH lps, go back to smaller hook.

**Row 5:** Ch 1 and turn, dec first 2 sts tog, \* sc in each of next 8 sts, picot 4 in next st, sc in each of next 8 sts, dbl dec over next 3 sts; rep from \* across, end with dec last 2 sts tog instead of dbl dec - 141 sts, fasten off H.

**Row 6:** With D, Rep Row 4.

**Row 7:** Ch 1 and turn, dec first 2 sts tog, \* sc in each of next 10 sts, (picot 3 in next st, sc in next st) 3 times, sc in each of next 9 sts, dbl dec over next 3 sts; rep from \* across, end with dec last 2 sts tog instead of dbl dec – 251 sts, fasten off D.

**Row 8:** With C, Rep Row 4.

**Row 9:** Ch 1 and turn, dec first 2 sts tog, \* sc in next st, picot 2 in next st, sc in next st, dbl dec over next 3 sts, sc in each of next 7 sts, (dbl inc in next st, sc in each of next 2 sts, trp dec over next 5 sts, sc in next st, drop lp from hook, insert hook in 3rd st to the right or into st before trp dec, place dropped lp back on hook and draw through, sc in next st) twice, dbl inc in next st, sc in each of next 7 sts, dbl dec over next 3 sts, sc in next st, picot 2 in next st, sc in next st, dbl dec over next 3 sts; rep from \*, end with dec last 2 sts tog instead of dbl dec - 251 sts, fasten off C.

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**Row 10:**

**Note**

Don't forget to work into the LAST sts that have dropped lps pulled through, there are 2 per rep.

With NS, Skip first 5 sts, change color, beg with slip knot on larger hook, sl st into next st through BOTH lps, sl st in each st across through FRONT lps to last 6 sts, sl st in next st through BOTH lps, skip last 5 sts and go back to smaller hook – 241 sts.

**Row 11:** Ch 1 and turn, \* sc in each of next 3 sts, trp dec over next 5 sts, sc in next st, drop lp from hook, insert hook in 3rd st to the right or into st before trp dec, place dropped lp back on hook and draw through, sc in next st, drop lp from hook, insert hook in st to the right of or into st before last pulled-through st, place dropped lp back on hook and draw through, sc in each of next 10 sts, dbl inc in next st, sc in each of next 12 sts,

trp dec over next 5 sts, sc in next st, drop lp from hook, insert hook in 3rd st to the right or into st before trp dec, place dropped lp back on hook and draw through, sc in next st, drop lp from hook, insert hook in st to the right of or into st before last pulled-through st, place dropped lp back on hook and draw through +,

sc in each of next 3 sts, trp dec over next 5 sts, sc in next st, drop lp from hook, insert hook in 3rd st to the right or into st before trp dec, place dropped lp back on hook and draw through, sc in next st, drop lp from hook, insert hook in st to the right of or into st before last pulled-through st, place dropped lp back on hook and draw through; rep from \*, end at +, sc in last st – 139 sts, fasten off NS.

**Row 12:**

**Note**

Don't forget to work into the LAST sts that have dropped lps pulled through, there are 3 per rep.

With I, beg with slip knot on larger hook, sl st into first st through BOTH lps, skip next st, sl st in each st across through FRONT lps to last st 2 sts, skip next st, sl st in last st through BOTH lps, go back to smaller hook – 137 sts.

**Row 13:** Ch 1 and turn, dbl dec over first 3 sts, sc in next st, \* sc in each of next 8 sts, dbl inc +, sc in each of next 11 sts, trp dec over next 5 sts, sc in next st, drop lp from hook, insert hook in 3rd st to the right or into st before trp dec, place dropped lp back on hook and draw through, (sc in next st, drop lp from hook, insert hook in st to the right of or into st before last pulled-through st, place dropped lp back on hook and draw through) twice; rep from \*, end at +, end sc in each of next 9 sts, dbl dec over last 3 sts–135 sts, fasten off I.

## Row 14:

### Note

This is the transition row where you do **NOT** slip st but begin with the ripple pattern again. (**Note** – don't forget to work into the LAST sts that have dropped lps pulled through, there is 1 per rep but it is the skipped st of a dbl dec).

With MC, skip first st, beg with slip knot and dec next 2 sts tog, \*sc in each of next 8 sts, dbl inc in next sc, sc in each of next 8 sts, dbl dec over next 3 sts; rep from \* across , to last 3 sts, end with dec last 2 sts tog instead of dbl dec and picking up last lp of last st going through BOTH lps, skip last st – 101 sts.

## Row 15: Rep Row 2.

Rep Rows 2 through 15 for pattern (a 14-row repeat) reversing color sequence - I, NS, C, D and H.

Then, rep the original color sequence or H, D, C, NS and I and then the reverse alternately until 12 repeats total have been worked, end with an extra repeat of Row 2 (a RS row).

Do NOT fasten off MC.

## **FINISHING**

### Trim

**Rnd 1:** From RS with MC, rotate piece and sc evenly along side edge working 3 sc in corners. With RS still facing, rotate piece and work in ripple pattern across bottom foundation chain, work 3 sc in corners. With RS still facing, rotate piece and sc evenly along side edge working 3 sc in corners. With RS still facing, work in ripple pattern across last row going through BOTH lps instead of just front lps. Join with sl st to corner st.

**Rnd 2 (WS):** Ch 1 and turn, work in FRONT lps and sc in ea sc around working in ripple pattern at top and bottom edges and working 3 sc in corners, join with sl st to first sc.

**Rnd 3 (RS):** Ch 1 and turn, work in BOTH lps and sc in ea sc around working in ripple pattern at top and bottom edges and working 3 sc in corners, join with sl st to first sc.

**Rnd 4 (RS):** With RS still facing and larger hook, sl st in each st around. Fasten off.

### Blocking

The Shawl requires aggressive steam blocking.

Lay Shawl WS facing onto a flat, heat resistant surface that you can pin into.

Use blocking wires or pins to stretch the Shawl into shape to match the finished measurements.

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Hold a steam iron, set for wool, close to but not touching the Shawl and allow the steam to penetrate the fabric.

Pat and stretch the Shawl into shape, adding more steam if necessary.

When entire Shawl has been blocked, leave it to rest and dry for at least 30 minutes.

Weave in ends.

### **ABBREVIATIONS**

ea = each

lp(s) = loop(s)

rep = repeat

RS = right side

sc = single crochet

sl = slip

sp = space

st(s) = stitch(es)

tog = together

WS = wrong side

yo = yarn over

*Every effort has been made to produce accurate and complete instructions. We cannot be responsible for variance of individual crafters, human error, or typographical mistakes.*

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