Pacific Rim Shawl US

This shawl is super simple and is based on a one row repeat - and so you can size up your yarn if you prefer to use dk. Because it is so simple you really could substitute any yarn you like with a matching hook size.

Materials:

- 3.5mm hook
- 5 stitch markers (essential)
- 640m (175g) blue-tone variegated sock yarn (custom order the same as I used from Hand Dyed By Kate)
- 500m (140g) Rowan Wool Cotton 4ply in White

Any brand of yarn is fine to use, but I recommend a yarn with some animal fibre in the mix to add stretch. I think 100% cotton could risk the shawl being heavy.



Pattern Overview:



The shape of this shawl is essentially 4 trapezium shaped panels with a long triangle on either end. It's sort of like a hexagon shaped poncho with 2 modified panels turning it into a scarf. You will need to use the stitch markers to mark the transition between edge triangle and panel 1, panel 1 and panel 2, and so on, so that the increases are worked in the right place to get the hexagon-y shaped corners.

The design is begins with the inside (short) edges of the trapezium panels and is worked in rows, growing the panels and creating the edge triangles as you go.

Your starting chain defines the inside length of the shawl

(the bit that goes around your neck). If you wish to adjust this (for example if you are working in dk yarn) then you will need to subtract multiples of 4 (one stitch for each panel) from the initial chain length.

Pattern:

Foundation Row (FR): Either fsc 82, OR ch83, turn and sc in each ch to make a foundation row of 82 sts.

Place a stitch marker in the final st in the foundation row (i.e. the stitch just worked). Place the remaining stitch markers at 20st intervals, leaving one stitch left over at the end.

Row 1: Ch4 (counts as tr), turn, (dc, hdc, sc) all in st where st marker is, replace st marker into sc just made. *Sc into each st until next st marker, (2sc), replace st marker in last sc made, repeat from *

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until final st remains. Work (sc, hdc, dc, tr) into final st. (92sts – 4 in each edge panel and 21 in each middle panel)

Row 2: Ch4 (counts as tr), turn, (dc, hdc, sc) all into the first st (so that with the ch4 there are 4 sts worked into one st). *Sc into each st until next st marker, (2sc), replace st marker in last sc made, repeat from * 4 more times (i.e. no st markers remain). Sc until there is one stitch left in the row. Work (sc, hdc, dc, tr) into final st. (103sts – 7 in last edge panel worked, 8 in first edge panel worked, and 22 in each middle panel).

Row 3: Repeat row 2. (114sts – 11 each edge panel and 23 in each middle panel).

Continue to repeat row 2, changing colours as desired at the start of a row, until shawl is desired width and length. Fasten off and weave in ends.

For a full stitch count for each row, see the downloadable pdf (attached).

Colour Changes:

I went for a gradient stripe effect by alternating colours changing at the start of the following rows:

4, 6, 10, 12, 16, 18, 22, 24, 28, 30, 34, 36, 38, 40, 42, 44, 46, 50, 52, 56, 58, 62, 64 (ending on row 69)

Please feel free to change colours as you prefer for your design or depending on the yarn you have available!

Further Modifications:

If you are looking for less of a wraparound effect (or don't have quite enough yarn) then you can make this shawl with 3 or even just 2 of the middle trapezium shaped panels, instead of the 4 panels used in the pattern. Just subtract 20 (or 40) stitches form the foundation chain and use 1 (or 2) less stitch markers. The effect would be more scarf like because of the width to length ratio altering.

Final Measurements:

My shawl measures 11 inches deep and has a wingspan (measured from tip to tip around the inside of the neckline) of 92 inches. This project has pretty long ends which are great for holding the shawl in place without adding bulk!

Blocking:

I blocked my shawl to stop the tips from curling around. I wet blocked in two stages because I wanted to make sure none of the hand dyed colour ran into the white stripes (and as you can see the ends overlap when the piece is laid out flat). Block yours using your preferred method for your yarn type.

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Initial panel length 20 sts Foundation Row 82 sts

Stitch count table:

Row	Edge 1	Panel 1	Panel 2	Panel 3	Panel 4	Edge 2	Total	Colour
FR	1	20	20	20	20	1	82	White
1	4	21	21	21	21	4	92	White
2	7	22	22	22	22	8	103	White
3	11	23	23	23	23	11	114	White
4	14	24	24	24	24	15	125	Blue
5	18	25	25	25	25	18	136	Blue
6	21	26	26	26	26	22	147	White
7	25	27	27	27	27	25	158	White
8	28	28	28	28	28	29	169	White
9	32	29	29	29	29	32	180	White
10	35	30	30	30	30	36	191	Blue
11	39	31	31	31	31	39	202	Blue
12	42	32	32	32	32	43	213	White
13	46	33	33	33	33	46	224	White
14	49	34	34	34	34	50	235	White
15	53	35	35	35	35	53	246	White
16	56	36	36	36	36	57	257	Blue
17	60	37	37	37	37	60	268	Blue
18	63	38	38	38	38	64	279	White
19	67	39	39	39	39	67	290	White
20	70	40	40	40	40	71	301	White
21	74	41	41	41	41	74	312	White
22	77	42	42	42	42	78	323	Blue
23	81	43	43	43	43	81	334	Blue
24	84	44	44	44	44	85	345	White
25	88	45	45	45	45	88	356	White
26	91	46	46	46	46	92	367	White
27	95	47	47	47	47	95	378	White
28	98	48	48	48	48	99	389	Blue
29	102	49	49	49	49	102	400	Blue
30	105	50	50	50	50	106	411	White
31	109	51	51	51	51	109	422	White
32	112	52	52	52	52	113	433	White
33	116	53	53	53	53	116	444	White
34	119	54	54	54	54	120	455	Blue
35	123	55	55	55	55	123	466	Blue
36	126	56	56	56	56	127	477	White
37	130	57	57	57	57	130	488	White
38	133	58	58	58	58	134	499	Blue

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39	137	59	59	59	59	137	510	Blue
40	140	60	60	60	60	141	521	White
41	144	61	61	61	61	144	532	White
42	147	62	62	62	62	148	543	Blue
43	151	63	63	63	63	151	554	Blue
44	154	64	64	64	64	155	565	White
45	158	65	65	65	65	158	576	White
46	161	66	66	66	66	162	587	Blue
47	165	67	67	67	67	165	598	Blue
48	168	68	68	68	68	169	609	Blue
49	172	69	69	69	69	172	620	Blue
50	175	70	70	70	70	176	631	White
51	179	71	71	71	71	179	642	White
52	182	72	72	72	72	183	653	Blue
53	186	73	73	73	73	186	664	Blue
54	189	74	74	74	74	190	675	Blue
55	193	75	75	75	75	193	686	Blue
56	196	76	76	76	76	197	697	White
57	200	77	77	77	77	200	708	White
58	203	78	78	78	78	204	719	Blue
59	207	79	79	79	79	207	730	Blue
60	210	80	80	80	80	211	741	Blue
61	214	81	81	81	81	214	752	Blue
62	217	82	82	82	82	218	763	White
63	221	83	83	83	83	221	774	White
64	224	84	84	84	84	225	785	Blue
65	228	85	85	85	85	228	796	Blue
66	231	86	86	86	86	232	807	Blue
67	235	87	87	87	87	235	818	Blue
68	238	88	88	88	88	239	829	Blue
69	242	89	89	89	89	242	840	Blue