jamie the foxx

a very foxy shawl



JAMIE THE FOXX

Jamie is inspired by the Scandinavian red fox, a gorgeous and majestic animal with the most amazing copper-red fur. The fox is often the symbol of trickery and cunning. Where I grew up, brushes, boots and horse tack kept disappearing mysteriously on a regular basis - only to be found in the forest a few days later close to the big fox-burrow.

Jamie the Foxx is a triangular lace shawl with a slight crescent shape. The shawl is worked top-down in garter stitch which makes it a quick and easy knit. A variation is to knit the white parts in stockinette stitch to get more texture definition. The pattern is adapted for the yarn from the Swedish company Ullcentrum, but also works well with any sport weight yarn (approximately 300-350 m/100g).

ULLCENTRUM

The Swedish company Ullcentrum was established in 1998. It takes care of Swedish wool that would otherwise be thrown away and produces yarn and other wool products from it. The yarn is made from different Swedish sheep breeds, such as the Gotland sheep. The yarn is available in both natural and dyed colors. It comes in several different weights, both spun and unspun and in 1-, 2- and 3-ply. This pattern is adapted for 2-ply yarn. To order yarn, check out *Ullcentrum.com*.

GAUGE

The gauge in this shawl is not important, if you want a larger shawl it is easy to adapt it by using a thicker yarn or larger needles. Remember that a different yarn/needle might change the yarn usage as well.

MATERIAL

Ullcentrum 2-ply, 100g skeins (sport weight, 300-350 m/100g)
6/2-2123 orange on medium grey, <100g
6/2-0101 white, <100g
6/2-6100 black or 6/2-0105 antracit, <10g

4 mm circular needle, 80 cm or longer

ABBREVIATIONS

k = knit
wyif = with yarn in front
tbl = through back loop
sl = slip
pw = purlwise (slip the stitch as if to purl)
sts/st = stitches/stitch
PM = place marker
SM = side marker
NM = nose marker
LM = lift marker
m1 = make one (pick up the strand between the needles, knit it through the back loop = twisted, this makes an invisible increase)

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OPTIONAL VARIATION

Originally, this shawl is knit all in garter stitch. To make the texture on the fox more interesting, knit all white stitches in stockinette stitch (knit stitches on right side, purl stitches on wrong side) while the rest is garter stitch (knit stitches on both right side and wrong side). This will make the white a little less fluffy-looking and separate it more from the orange.

SET-UP

With orange, cast on 3 sts. Knit 7 rows of garter stitch (knit stitches on both sides), slip the first stitch of each row purlwise with yarn in front (sl1 pw wyif). Knit the last stitch of each round through the back loop (k1tbl). When you finish row 7, don't turn the work around. Pick up 3 sts along the side, and 3 sts along the cast-on edge. This should give you in total 9 stitches.

From now on, **all rounds** will start with **sl1 pw wyif** (slip 1 purlwise with yarn in front) and end with **k1tbl** (knit 1 through back loop).

On next round (wrong side row): k4, PM, k1, PM, k4.

INCREASES

On all right-side rows, sl1 pw wyif, k2, m1, k to marker (unless otherwise instructed), m1, LM, k1, LM, m1, k until 3 sts remain (unless otherwise instructed), m1, k2, k1tbl.

On all wrong-side rows (no center-stitch increases), sl1 pw wyif, k2, m1, k to marker (unless otherwise instructed), LM, k1, LM, k until 3 sts remain (unless otherwise instructed), m1, k2, k1tbl.



PART 1 (plain orange)
Knit garter *with increases as instructed* for 80 rounds or about 3/4 of how deep you want the shawl to be. End with a wrong-side row.

PART 2 (nose)
Place markers 6 sts out from either center stitch marker. These are the nose markers (NM). Count 40 sts out from the NM and place side markers (SM). For the remaining rows, the shawl will be knit with intarsia. With each color change, make sure to twist the yarn of the old color around the yarn of the new color to avoid getting gaps in the fabric. Do the twist on the wrong side! Wind a separate center-pull ball from the orange and a smaller one of the white yarn (the white ball will only be used for a few rounds) so that you have two balls each of white and orange.

Starting on a right-side row: *While increasing on each row as instructed*, knit with orange until the first SM.

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Change to white, knit to first NM. Change to black, knit to second NM. Change to white, knit to second SM. Change to orange, knit to end.

On next row, knit until 2 sts remain before the first SM. Change to white, knit to first NM, knit 1 more. Change to black, knit until 1 st remain until the second NM. Change to white, knit to second SM, knit 2 more sts. Change to orange. Knit to end. You can now remove NM and SM, keep center markers.

All rounds (*while always increasing on each row as previously instructed*): Knit with orange until 2 sts remain until the color change from the last row. Change to white (*this increases the white part with 2 sts each round*). Knit to the color change by the nose, k1 st. Change to black. Knit until 1 st remain before the end of the nose. Change to white (*this decreases the nose stitches with 1 st on either side each row, while at the same time the center increases makes sure the nose doesn't get too narrow too soon*). Knit to the next color change from the last row, k2. Change to orange, knit to end.

Continue this way until you have 3 nose sts on either side of the center stitch (7 nose sts in total).

PART 3 (mostly white)
All rounds (*while always increasing on each row as previously instructed*): Knit with orange until 2 sts remain until the color change from the last row. Change to white (*this increases the white part with 2 sts each row*). Knit to next color change, k2. Change to orange (*this increases the white part with 2 sts each row*). Knit to end.

Continue this way until about 3/4 of the stitches on either side of the center stitch are white, *or* until the white part is about 1/4 of the depth (when looking at the spine of the shawl), *or* until you're almost out of orange yarn. End with a right-side row. Bind off with *Jeny's surprisingly stretchy bind-off* from the wrong side and in intarsia.

FINISH
Weave in ends, rinse in lukewarm water and block the shawl (it doesn't need to be stretched much, except possibly a little depth-wise).

EYES
The red fox has copper colored eyes. The eyes are actually placed on red fur, although in popular culture the eyes are often placed on white fur. Place the eye as you prefer it, but if you place it on the orange part you can use the base color to create an orange eye.

Stitch eyes using chain stitch and black. Sew the white of the eye just inside the black edge (in the sample shawl, I used a reversed back stitch) and add a couple of small stitches inside the orange to make the eyes pop. Fasten the yarn on the wrong side.



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