

shimmer beaded LACE CAPE

Belted capes, such as this one, are my favorite type of wrap to wear. They have a polished and structured look and are visually slimming due to the ratio of the wide “sleeves” to the cinched waist. In addition, the large “sleeves” create a lovely dramatic effect as you move. This top-down raglan continues on to a flowing cape with belt holes and a pretty lace edging that is joined perpendicularly to the lower edge. The front bands are created with a very simple single crochet bead pattern. Wear it with or without a belt to create a variety of different looks.



YARN

Laceweight (#0 Lace); 2,200 yd (2,011 m) (up to 3,472 yd (3,174 m) depending on yarn choice and gauge).

shown: Valley Yarns, 2/14 Alpaca Silk (80% Alpaca/20% Silk; 1,736 yd [1,588 m]/½ lb [227 g]): cognac, 2 cones.

HOOK

G/6 (4mm) or size needed to obtain gauge.

NOTIONS

500 size 6° seed beads (shown: Miyuki 6-142S S/L smoky amethyst); Big Eye beading needle; split-ring stitch markers; tapestry needle.

GAUGE

5 shells x 7 rows = 4" (10 cm) in lace stitch patt (after blocking).

FINISHED SIZE

60" wide x 56" long (152.5 x 142 cm).