

LILY OF THE VALLEY CABLE PATTERN

An Original Stitch Pattern

© Kim Salazar, 1997, 2012; <http://www.string-or-nothing.com>



I used this stitch pattern as a side panel a on cardigan for my daughter. It's sort of noodled together from several other leaf edgings and cable patterns, but I haven't seen anything exactly like this elsewhere.

My Lily of the Valley pattern has pairs of puffy embossed leaves with the standard double eyelet center vein; a 2x2 cable from which the paired leaves grow; and small knot-type bobbles arching along the tops of the leaves (the flower pips). I'd rate this as an intermediate level Aran-type pattern. It's mostly logical with minor tricky bits only on lines 2, 8, and 18.

Special Instructions

These abbreviations and symbols are used in this pattern.

- P2tog Purl two together - Purl the next two stitches together.
- K2tog Knit two together - Knit the next two stitches together
- SSK Slip, slip, knit - Make a decrease that slants to the left by slipping the next stitch purlwise, and the stitch after that knitwise. Return both stitches to the other needle, then knit them together through the back of the loop.

PFB Purl front/back - Purl into the front and then the back of the same stitch.

Mbob Make a bobble - K1, P1, K1, P1, K1, in the next stitch (five loops on the needle). Now one at a time, take the secondmost, then thirdmost (and so on) loops you just created and draw them over the first loop. This makes a little knot of stitches. Secure this little knot so it stays on the right side of the work by knitting into the back of the stitch now holding the accumulated loops.

M1p Make one purl - Lift bar between the last stitch made and the next stitch, purl into the back of this bar.

FC Front 2x2 cable - slip 2 st to dpn and hold in back of work, k2, k2 from dpn

BC Back 2x2 cable - slip 2 st to dpn and hold in front of work, k2, k2 from dpn

s1-K2tog-pssso Slip, knit two together, pass slipped stitch over - Slip the next stitch knitwise, knit the next two together, then pass the slipped stitch over

Lily of the Valley Cable

Directions

***Note: Stitch counts do NOT remain constant ***

- Cast on 26 stitches
- **Row 1: [wrong side]**K8, p10, k8
- **Row 2:** P6, p2tog, (k1, yo)2x, k1, M1p, k4, M1p, (k1, yo)2x, k1, p2tog, p6
- **Row 3:** K7, p5, k1, p4, k1, p5, k7
- **Row 4:** P5, p2tog, k2, yo, k1, yo, k2, PFB, FC, PFB, k2, yo, k1, yo, k2, p2tog, p5
- **Row 5:** K6, p7, k2, p4, k2, p7, k6
- **Row 6:** P4, p2tog, k3, yo, k1, yo, k3, PFB, p1, k4, p1, PFB, k3, yo, k1, yo, k3, p2tog, p4
- **Row 7:** K5, p9, k3, p4, k3, p9, k5
- **Row 8:** P3, p2tog, k4, yo, k1, yo, k4, PFB, MBob, p1, FC, p1, MBob, PFB, k4, yo, k1, yo, k4, p2tog, p3
- **Row 9:** K4, p11, k4, p4, k4, p11, k4
- **Row 10:**P2, p2tog, ssk, k7, k2tog, PFB, MBob, p2, k4, p2, MBob, PFB, ssk, k7, k2tog, p2tog, p2
- **Row 11:**K3, p9, k5, p4, k5, p9, k3
- **Row 12:**P1, p2tog, ssk, k5, k2tog, PFB, MBob, p3, FC, p3, MBob, PFB, ssk, k5, k2tog, p2tog, p1
- **Row 13:**K2, p7, k6, p4, k6, p7, k2
- **Row 14:**P2, ssk, k3, k2tog, PFB, MBob, p4, k4, p4, MBob, PFB, ssk, k3, k2tog, p2
- **Row 15:**K2, p5, k7, p4, k7, p5, k2
- **Row 16:**P2, ssk, k1, k2tog, PFB, MBob, p5, FC, p5, MBob, PFB, ssk, k1, k2tog, p2
- **Row 17:**K2, p3, k8, p4, k8, p3, k2
- **Row 18:**P2, sl-k2tog-ssso, p1, MBob, p3, k1, FC, BC, k1, p3, MBob, p1, sl-k2tog-ssso, p2
- Repeat rows 1-18
- **Row 7:** K3, yo, k2tog, k2, yo, sssk, yo, k4, yo, k2tog, k1

Repeat rows 2-7

