

Provisional Cast On

Provisional Cast On is used when you want to create an edge that can be released to create live stitches later for the purpose of knitting in the opposite direction or for seamlessly joining with your stitches at the top of the work with Kitchener Stitch—for instance, to create a cowl or a hatband. It is typically created by making a crochet chain with scrap yarn around your knitting needle for your cast on stitches, which will be unravelled later when you are ready to put your stitches back on your knitting needle to work.

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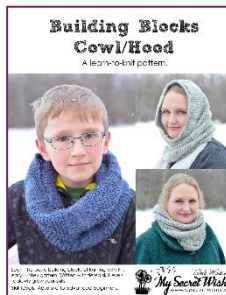
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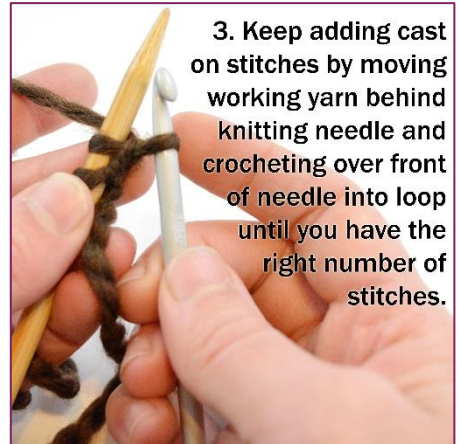
1. You will need a knitting needle, a crochet hook that can handle your yarn weight, and scrap yarn. Start with a slip knot in the yarn with about a 6"/15 cm tail. Place on hook.



2. With slip knot and yarn tail on the bottom and working yarn behind the knitting needle, create one stitch around the knitting needle. Move working yarn to the back.



3. Keep adding cast on stitches by moving working yarn behind knitting needle and crocheting over front of needle into loop until you have the right number of stitches.



4. When you have cast on the right number of stitches, chain 4-5 stitches, pulling a large loop through the last chain before cutting the yarn tail.



5. Using your project yarn, knit into cast on stitches. Work until the point where you are supposed to release your cast on stitches.



6. Pull out the crochet chain and then release the cast on stitches one at a time, putting them onto a knitting needle. Keep right leg in front, if possible.



7. Your cast on stitches are now ready to work. Fix any stitches that are laying the wrong way as you work into them.

