



String up some lacy spider webs this Halloween. The pattern has an easy repeat so you can make them as big as you like, or make them scruffy by changing directions/adding extra yarn-arounds.

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### You will need:

white 4ply • frame for stretching (optional)  
4 x double ended needles (3.25mm) • tapestry needle • scissors

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### Pattern:

Common abbreviations are listed below in notes. This pattern also uses the special abbreviation 'SP' which means 'spoke' and is worked on 2 stitches as follows:

- k2 sts.
- Slip the same 2 sts back to the first needle without twisting.
- Take the yarn across the back of the stitches and k2 again (as for i-cord).

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Cast on 6 sts and join into the round.

Round 1: k –

Round 2: kfb x 6 (12)

Round 3: k –

Round 4: kfb x 12 (24)

Round 5: k –

Round 6: [yfwd, SP] x 12 (36)

Round 7: [yfwd, drop 1, SP] x 12 (36)

Round 8: [yfwd, drop 1, SP] x 12 (36)

Round 9: [yfwd, yrn, drop 1, SP] x 12 (48)

Round 10: [yfwd, yrn, drop 2, SP] x 12 (48)

Round 11: [yfwd, yrn, drop 2, SP] x 12 (48)

Round 12: [yfwd, yrn x 2, drop 2, SP] x 12 (60)

Round 13: [yfwd, yrn x 2, drop 3, SP] x 12 (60)

Round 14: [yfwd, yrn x 2, drop 3, SP] x 12 (60)

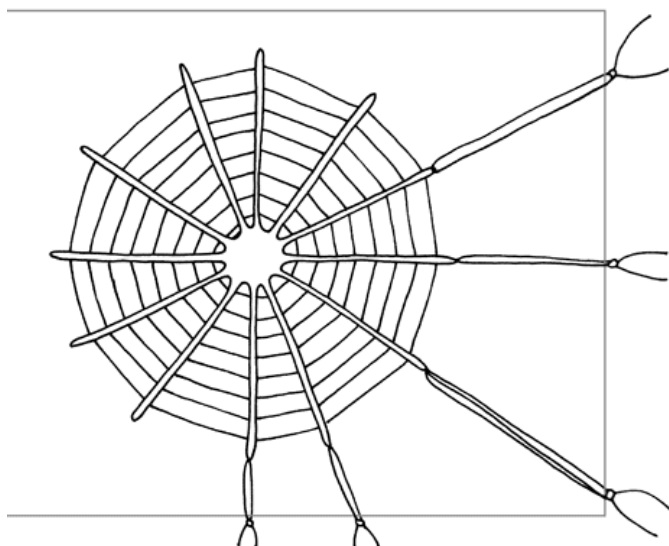
The cobweb is too lacy to be cast off. See 'making up' for various finishing options.

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### Making Up:

I think the web looks best stretched out on a frame so that all the threads are pulled taught. That might not be practical for all uses so I've written out two possible casting off methods here – framed and loose. You might also consider sewing the live stitches to a backing fabric or finishing off as for the lace snowflake decoration it all depends on what you want to use your cobweb for.

Framed



Cut twelve lengths of yarn.

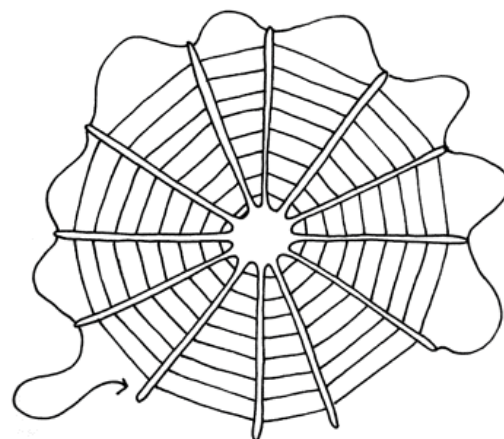
Starting at the beginning of the round drop the three yarn-over stitches then thread one length of yarn through the two live stitches. Repeat until each spoke is threaded onto a length of yarn.

Tie one length of yarn to your chosen frame. Find the yarn attached to the opposite spoke, stretch the cobweb out and tie the thread off. Repeat for all remaining spokes.

Sew the loose ends into the spokes.

A frame can be anything that allows you to tie the spokes into position – metal shelves, a clothes horse, a bunch of sticks tied together, etc. How about an i-cord covered right-angled triangle made from wire. Hide the loose ends of the ties by sewing them into the i-cord then fix the triangle in the corner of a door or window. Properly spidery.

Loose



Cut a long tail of yarn.

Starting at the beginning of the round drop the three yarn-over stitches then thread the tail end through the next two stitches. Keep everything as loose as possible. Repeat for all remaining stitches.

Tug the tail of yarn tighter until it looks like just another thread of the web. Make sure the spokes are spread evenly along it's length.

Sew the two loose ends into the spokes.

## Notes:

### Abbreviations

[ ] x number  
(number)  
drop no.  
k number  
k –  
kfb  
yfwd  
yrn

Repeat the section in square brackets the required number of times.  
Gives the total number of stitches you should have on needle by the end of the row.  
Allow the next no. stitches to drop off the needle without working them (- no. stitches).  
Knit this number of stitches  
Knit every stitch to the end of the row.  
Knit into the front and then the back of a single stitch (+1 stitch).  
Bring the yarn to the front of the knitting (+1 stitch if followed by a knit).  
Wrap the yarn around the needle once (+1 stitch).

### Needle/Yarn Size

As with most ODDknit patterns the yarn and needle sizes in the "you will need" section are just a guide. Feel free to improvise with whatever needles and yarn you have lying around - that's half the fun!