Row 3: Ch 1, sc in first sc, *ch 1, sk next ch-3 space, shell in center ch of next ch-3 loop, ch 1, sk next ch-3 space, sc in next sc; rep from * across, turn—19 shells.

Reduced sample

Rows 4–39: Rep rows 2–3 (18 times)—1 shell at end of row 39. Fasten off. Weave in ends.

Finishing

Wrap yarn around 7" piece of cardboard 164 times. Cut yarn at the bottom only, to create 14"-long strands. Using 4 strands for each fringe, knot one fringe in first sc on each end of all even-numbered rows. At the bottom tip of shawl, knot one fringe in center dtr of bottom shell.

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