

WHAT SHOULD BE INCLUDED IN YOUR PATTERN?

- ✓ Pattern title
- ✓ Pattern description ("romance")
- ✓ Your (designer) name and contact information
- ✓ Good quality picture of FO ("hero shot")
- ✓ Sizes, if necessary
- ✓ Finished dimensions/schematic
- ✓ Decimals and fractions are consistent
- ✓ Materials:
 - Yarn
 - Needles: US and metric; length of circulars; all listed used, all used listed
 - Notions: stitch markers, cable needle, beads, stitch holders, buttons, etc.; correct number of buttons, stitch markers, etc.
- ✓ Gauge: # sts and rows/rounds = 4" | 10 cm; on what needles?; in which stitch?
- ✓ Abbreviations: all used listed, all listed used
- ✓ Pattern notes, if necessary
- ✓ Pattern directions, with consistent style, phrasing, punctuation, capitalization, and abbreviation usage
- ✓ Any necessary charts & accompanying keys; key should use the same abbreviations as written directions
- ✓ Pattern makes sense: e.g. mittens have thumbs, etc.
- ✓ Finishing instructions, including any necessary seaming/grafting
- ✓ Page numbers, headers/footers

ADDITIONALLY:

- If your pattern doesn't include detail shots (close ups of a lace pattern, for example), please send them to me in an email so I can be check them against the pattern directions.
- If you're re-using a template or an earlier pattern, make sure to update the title, description, headers/footers, etc.
- Sizing should align reasonably with a recognized standard.
- Gauge should be in stocking/stockinette stitch *and* in stitch patterns used.
- Right side and wrong side, if used, are noted correctly and follow on in sequence within pattern sections and in subsequent pattern sections.
- Rows/rounds are numbered correctly.
- Repeats are clearly indicated: e.g. "Rows 5-14: Work rows 1-4 twice more, then rows 1-2 once more."
- Stitch counts should be correct, and should be noted *every* time they change, if possible.
- Charts match written directions – if your written directions have been generated by your charting software, please let me know if you'd like me to check these line by line or not.
- If there are any sections where you are unsure of the clarity of the directions, please point them out! I'll be happy to help you with those.