



Blocking

Blocking is a method that is used for eg. crocheted/knitted rugs, scarves or shawls. Blocking allows you to shape your crocheted/knitted project yourself. It is especially a good method if you have crocheted/knitted a shawl, where there is a pattern, as the blocking can help to bring out the pattern.

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Materials:

- [Blocking mats](#)
- [T-pins](#)
- Your finished crochet or knitted project that you want to be blocked

Guide to blocking

Before starting the blocking, start by washing your work (the blanket/scarf/shawl) so that it is wet when it is to be blocked. It is important that you follow the washing instructions for the yarn you have used(!).

Each T-pin is inserted into the blocking mat with the finished work in between so that it is stretched out in the shape you want.



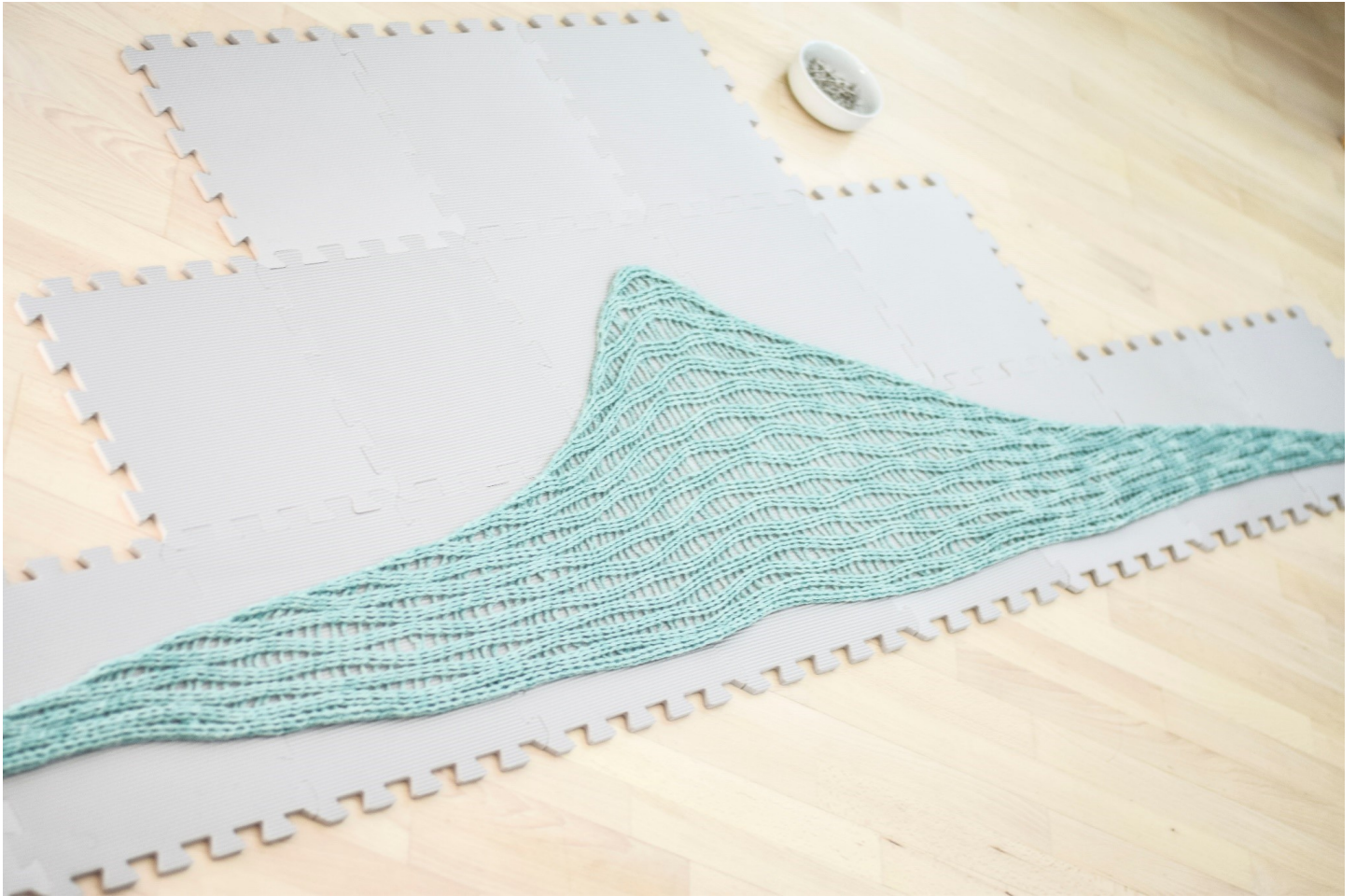
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Start by placing what you need to have blocked on the blocking mats (and make sure that the blocking mats can cover everything that needs to be blocked) - stretch if necessary, so you have a sense of how large an area of blocking mats you need):



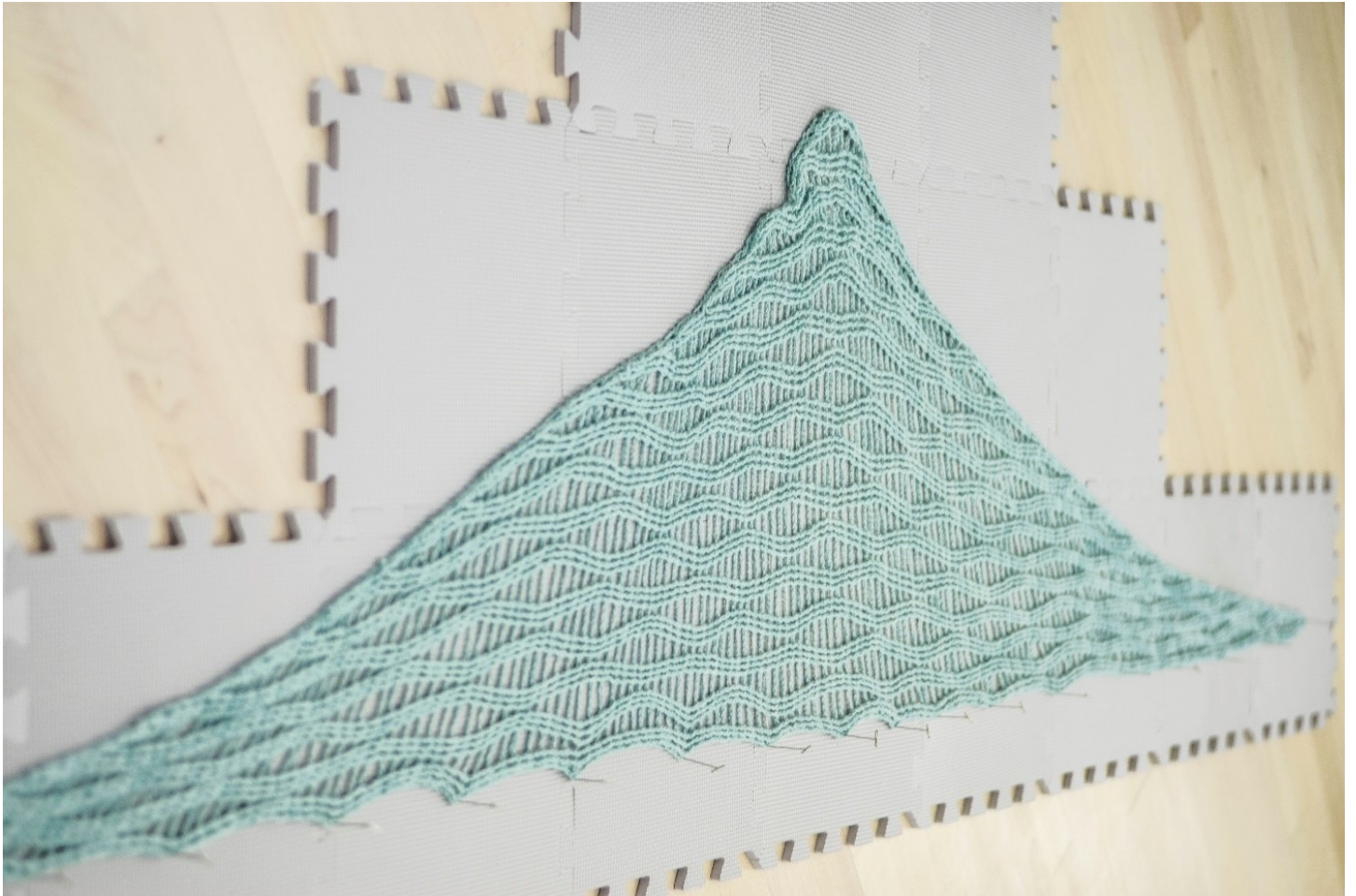
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Put the T-pins on the longest side of what you need to have blocked so you stretch the shawl as much as you want it:



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Then you insert T-pins in the tip (opposite side) of what you have just done - and work your way down the side:



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Let your crochet / knit shawl dry on the blocking mat with T-pins to keep the desired shape - and then you will get a nice result when it is dry



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