

## Improving Entrelac

Depending on the yarn you use to knit entrelac, there can sometimes be small gaps that show between the rectangular sections. If you find them distracting, here is an easy way to eliminate most of them:

After you make the *last* decrease for each rectangular section, do not follow it with two knitted rows as you do for all other decreases. Instead, make the transfer and then immediately pick up the edge below to fill the empty needles for the next section. Then knit 1 row across the completed section and the picked up edge of the next. Hold the completed section and knit 1 row back across the picked up edge. Then begin making the decreases, followed by knitting two rows, to shape that rectangular section.

If you haven't yet tried my directions for Entrelac in *Hand Knits by Machine*, this all probably sounds like voo-doo knitting to you. But, if you have worked through a sample or two, you won't have any trouble adding this tip to your bag of tricks! In fact, you might want to add this info the first paragraph on the top of page 143 and again on page 146.