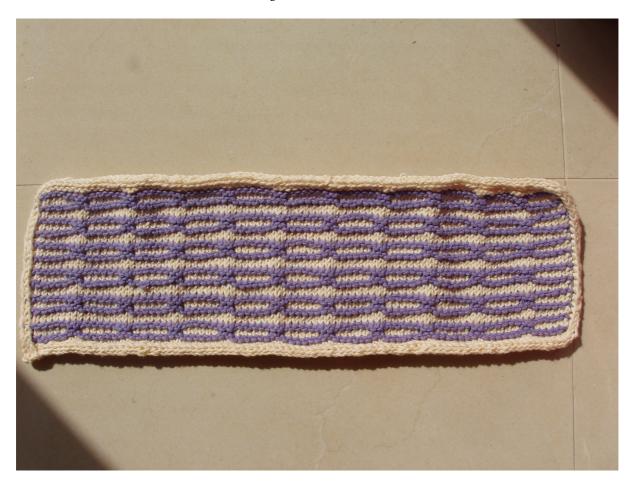


Steamer Scrubby

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I recently bought a steam cleaner that came with a thick cotton cloth that is used for mopping floors etc. One is never enough, so I decided to make one of my own to try. It can easily be customised to fit whatever size you need, or you can add elastic or buttons to it in order to secure it to your steamer. It can also be used as a dishcloth!

This pattern uses a modified version of the Chain Stripes pattern taken from Barbara Walker's Treasury of Knitting Patterns, which is very effective for scrubbing as it is highly embossed.

SIZE

This scrubby measures 17" by 6", but can be customised to any size required. The stitch pattern is a multiple of 8 stitches plus 6, so you can calculate the amount of stitches you need to cast on for the size desired if you wish to change it.

MATERIALS

Lily Sugar n Cream Solids[100% cotton; 120yds per 70gm skein] 1 each of cream (A) and hot purple (B).

US #6/4 mm circular needle

GAUGE

5 stitches to 1" in stockinette stitch using US #6/4mm needle

PATTERN NOTES

This pattern uses applied i-cord around three edges of the cloth, and i-cord bind off along one edge. There are many tutorials available for these techniques online.

The two colours are carried up the side of the piece. When changing colours, make sure to bring the new colour up underneath the other colour in order to prevent holes or loose loops of yarn at the side.



PATTERN

CO 86 stitches.

- 1: With A, Knit
- 2: With A, Purl
- 3: With B, Knit
- 4: With B, Knit
- 5: With A, K6 *slip 2 stitches with the yarn at the back, K6* repeat from * to end of row
- 6: With A, P6 *slip 2 stitches with the yarn at the front, P6* repeat from * to end of row
- 7: With B, K6, *slip 2 stitches with the yarn at the back, K6* repeat from * to end of row
- 8: With B, Knit

Repeat these 8 rows until the piece reaches the desired length. Work two rows in stockinette stitch with A. Do not cast off.

With A, CO3 and work an i-cord bind off along the top side. Continue applying i-cord around the remaining three sides of the cloth and bind off.



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