



## World's Best Kitchen Scrubbie

*A knitting pattern by Staci Perry, [www.verypink.com](http://www.verypink.com)*



**Size:** 3" x 4"

**Needles:** Size 10.5 US, straights or circulars

**Yarn:** No yarn! We use tulle fabric (also called mesh fabric or netting fabric), cut into strips. I cut the strips from 1" to 2" wide. (In the photo above, the tan one was knit with 1" wide strips, the other two were knit with 2" wide strips.) You will need about 12 yards of cut strips per scrubbie.

**Additional Materials:** tapestry needle for weaving in ends

**Gauge:** Gauge doesn't really matter. To get the size above, my gauge was 4.5 stitches per inch.

**Note:** Do not buy sparkly, glittery fabric. Unless you like vacuuming sparkles off of every surface of your home and pets. Speaking from experience here!

I have videos for each of the techniques below. A list of all of my technique videos can be found here:

<http://verypink.com/category/techniques/>

**Abbreviations:**

BO - bind-off

CO - cast-on

K - knit

The video tutorial to accompany this pattern can be found here:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jnO2FXldCus>

**Directions:**

I'm almost embarrassed to call this a pattern, because it is so simple! The video will offer tips and tricks to make your project successful.

Using the long-tail cast-on, CO 18 stitches.

Knit for 18 rows, (9 garter stitch ridges).

BO.

Weave in the ends.

In the video, I show you one scrubbie that I knit that did not require me to weave in any ends, because I cut the fabric after each row, and started a new strip of fabric on the next row. This left me with a fringe on the edges. I just tied each pair of tail ends into knots, and trimmed the fringe short and even.

**Modifying this pattern:**

I get many questions about modifying patterns - let's see if I can answer them first. :) You can easily change the size of the scrubbie by casting-on more or fewer stitches, knitting for more or fewer rows, changing needle sizes, and cutting wider or narrower strips.

Bigger scrubbie - cast-on more stitches, knit for more rows.

Smaller scrubbie - cast-on fewer stitches, knit for fewer rows.

Denser scrubbie - use a smaller needle size, and/or cut wider strips.

Airier scrubbie - use a bigger needle size, and/or cut narrower strips.

Can I knit it in stockinette stitch (knit a row, purl a row)?

You can, but I don't recommend it. The purl bumps in garter stitch help with the scrub-ability, and there is a good chance that your stockinette scrubbie will curl, and not lie flat.

Can I knit it in seed stitch?

Sure - that would actually be a nice scrubbie. But knitting with this fabric is kind of tough - and getting fancy with it will make it difficult to keep even tension.

Can I knit it with rough, scratchy yarn instead of tulle?

Yes, but it might be more difficult to rinse it clean after you've used it.

Are these scrubbies safe to use on non-stick surfaces?

You'll need to follow the manufacturer's instructions for cleaning your pans, but these scrubbies have not caused scratches on any surfaces for me - including non-stick pans.

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