



Your First Scarf

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Size: 6" wide x 5.5' long

Materials:

- 200 yards of any worsted weight yarn (I used Lion Brand Wool-Ease Worsted, widely available in craft and sewing stores and very reasonably priced)
- Size 10.5 US needles (wood needles are best for beginners)
- Tapestry needle (for weaving in ends when you are finished knitting)

Abbreviations:

CO – cast-on

K – knit

P – purl

Videos:

Here are links to the videos that teach you knit and demonstrate the techniques we use in knitting the scarf:

Project Introduction: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UMadNYkKLiI>

Slip Knot: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8_X2CftMxSs

Casting-On: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NTKK7Xf5Uho>

Knit Stitch: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fXCioiDLbbs>

Purl Stitch: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=O0dOHGfZjbc>

Binding-Off: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VrCwWO2gOiy>

Making Your Scarf: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=trbf91_jj64

Directions:

Make a slip knot, then CO 24 stitches, using the long-tail cast-on method.

Row 1: *K1, P1*, repeat between the *s across the whole row.

Row 2: K across all stitches.

Note: The asterisks you see in Row 1 are a common way of expressing a repeat in a pattern. Unless the pattern tells you otherwise, you want to repeat what you see between the asterisks across all the stitches in the row.

Repeat Rows 1 and 2, working all odd-numbered rows the same as Row 1, and all even-numbered rows the same as Row 2.

For a 5.5' scarf, you will use nearly all of the 200 yards of yarn. When you find yourself with about 6' of yarn left, you need to stop knitting to save yourself some yarn for the bind-off.

Once you have reached 5.5' or your desired length, bind-off all stitches, cut the yarn, pull the end through the last loop, and tighten to secure.

FINISHING

Using your tapestry needle, thread each end and weave it into the work for a couple of inches to secure it. Then cut the end short.

Apply steam from a steam iron (without pressing down) or a steamer to your scarf, and pat the stitches out flat and even. This makes a huge difference in the look and smoothness of your finished scarf.

Congratulations! You knit your first project!

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