

Easy Seaman's Scarf

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YARN: 200 yards of worsted weight yarn will give you a scarf of average length (I recommend Encore for beginners). For spinners, a yarn with a wpi in the range of 10 will do. This is a great wearing scarf for short jackets, where you can wear the scarf around your neck... very WARM!

NEEDLES: One pair of US#9 short needles or circulars **GAUGE:** 4 1/2 sts/in (not critical!)

OTHER: tapestry needle for sewing in ends, tape measure, row counter(optional)

LEGEND

K = knit P = purl CO = cast on BO = bind off st = stitch sts = stitches

WS = wrong side RS = right side

CO 28 stitches

A. GARTER STITCH BLOCK

Knit in garter stitch (knit each row) for 3 inches. Mark the side of the fabric facing you for the next row as the WRONG SIDE.

B. STOCKINETTE STITCH BLOCK

ROW 1 (WS) - K4, P across to the last 4 sts, and K4

ROW 2 (RS) - Knit across

REPEAT rows 1 and 2 until the stockinette stitch block measures 2 1/2 inches, ending after finishing a ROW 2 (RS) row

C. TWO GARTER STITCH RIDGES

WRONG SIDE facing—Knit 4 rows. After knitting the fourth row, you will be ready for a WS row.

D. 2nd STOCKINETTE STITCH BLOCK

(repeat STOCKINETTE STITCH BLOCK above beginning with ROW 1, and knit section for 2 1/2 inches, but this time, end after finishing a ROW 1 (WS) row.

RIBBING

With the RS facing, begin your K2, P2 ribbing. Continue the ribbing for 20 inches, ending having completed a RS row. Now complete the scarf by knitting the blocks in the backward order: D, C, B, and A. Be careful to note which side to start your patterns on so that the RIGHT SIDES match!!

BO your last garter stitch row. Sew in all your ends, and fringe if desired.

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