

Linen Stitch Scarf



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This scarf is absolutely wonderful when knit with two different solid colors and one coordinating multicolor skein of Koigu. The scarf would also be wonderful knit with three solids or with three different multicolor colorways. Two different size versions are given: a longer, skinnier version (which is very dramatic worn doubled over with the ends pulled through the loop in the middle) and a more traditionally proportioned, yet still narrow, scarf.

When binding off, please note that a standard bind-off will result in peaks & valleys. One technique is to slip every other stitch while binding off. The other approach is to use a crochet-hook: slip the first stitch onto the hook (without working that stitch with new yarn); then pull the next stitch from the left-hand needle through the stitch on the crochet hook. Continue to pull the next stitch through the loop on the crochet hook until one loop remains & pull the yarn-tail through this last stitch.

Instructions are given for the longer, skinnier version with the alternative instructions for the more traditional version given in parentheses when they are different.

Gauge

6 sts = 1" in linen pattern stitch

Materials

Yarn: 1 Skein Koigu Merino Solid Yarn (Color A)
1 Skein Koigu Merino Multicolor Yarn (Colorway B)
1 Skein Koigu Merino Solid Yarn (Color C)

Needles: Size US #8 47" circular or size needed for a pleasing gauge

Size

3.5" by 100" (longer, skinnier version)
4.5" by 75" (less long, less skinny version)

Abbreviations

BO = Bind Off; **CO** = Cast On; **K** = Knit; **P** = Purl;
RS = Right Side; **Sl** = Slip the indicated number of stitches purlwise; **ST** = Stitch(es); **WS** = Wrong Side;
WYIF = With Yarn In Front; **WYIB** = With Yarn In Back;

Instructions

Using color A, cast on 600 (450) stitches.

- Row 1: (WS) With color A, Sl1 WYIF, work (P1, Sl1 WYIB) across, end P1.
Row 2: (RS) With color B (multicolor), Sl1 WYIB, work (K1, Sl1 WYIF) across, end K1.
Row 3: (WS) With color C, Sl1, WYIF, work (P1, Sl1 WYIB) across, end P1.
Row 4: (RS) With color A, Sl1 WYIB, work (K1, Sl1 WYIF) across, end K1.
Row 5: (WS) With color B, Sl1, WYIF, work (P1, Sl1 WYIB) across, end P1.
Row 6: (RS) With color C, Sl1 WYIB, work (K1, Sl1 WYIF) across, end K1.

Repeat these six rows (actually, there are only two different rows: one worked on RS rows and one worked on WS rows, but there are six combinations of colors and rows) until the scarf is 3.5" (4.5") or until you do not have enough yarn to knit another row of color A.

End with two rows of color C, then bind off using color C.