

Ascot Scarf Pattern

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Skills Required: Cast on, knit, purl, K2tog (knit 2 sts together), slipping stitches to a holder, KFB (knit front and back)

Needles: Size US 9 (5.5 mm)

Yarn: Medium worsted weight. I used 1 skein Lion Brand Heartland

Gauge: Not important

Dimensions: From tip to tip it's 34 inches long. Scarf part is 7 inches wide and the length between the loop keyholes is 16 inches.

Abbreviations: K, k = knit, KFB, kfb = knit front back, K2tog = knit 2 stitches together, sts = stitches

Notes: The easy scarf is very versatile to knit. You can make it bigger or smaller simply by adjusting the amount of stitches you want. **Tip:** Make sure that you use an even number of stitches if you decide to adjust the width. You can also adjust the keyhole loop in length to whatever you like.

One thing that will help you is to count the rows as you knit the bow so that both ends will be the same size. Especially after you're finished with the increases. How many plain rows did you knit? Jot it down for later.

Pattern

Cast on 2 stitches

Row 1: KFB, knit to end of row

Repeat row 1 until you have 32 stitches

Continue to knit garter stitch until you reach 6 inches (this is where you need to count the rows you knit)

Keyhole Loop

*K1, slip next stitch to holder, repeat from * across row

You should have 16 stitches on your needle and 16 stitches on holder.

This is what it should look like. (I like to use a small cable from my interchangeable needle set as a holder so I can attach a needle to it when I'm ready to use the sts.)



With stitches on needle, K1, P1 rib for 16 rows and then place these sts on holder.

Attach yarn to sts on other holder and repeat the ribbing as before.

Joining Both Pieces of Loop

A little explanation before you start. You're going to be knitting 1 stitch from the needle and 1 stitch from the holder to integrate the stitches back together and close the loop. So place the sts from the holder onto a spare needle. You have 16 sts on one needle and 16 on the other (the needle with the working yarn attached).

This is how I set myself up. The stitches on the green needle were on the holder and I stuck those on the needle. And now there should be 16 stitches on both needles.



Begin by knitting 1 stitch from the needle that's attached to the yarn, then knit 1 stitch from the stitches that were on the holder.

Keep alternating back and forth until all stitches are on one needle again and you're done.

There should be 32 stitches altogether. And the loop is now closed up.



Knitting the Scarf

Continue working in garter stitch (knit every row) to the length you want. I made mine 16 inches long. The best way to do this is try it around your neck to see how you like it.

When you have the length you want you're going to repeat the process for the 2nd loop.

Please refer to the top section to make the '**Keyhole Loop**' and make another loop.

Knit garter stitch for the amount of rows you counted after you made the increases. I believe on mine I knit about 22 rows.

To Shape Point

K 1, K2tog, knit to end of row.

Repeat above row until you have 2 sts on needle.

K2tog

Pull yarn through last stitch and you're done.

Weave in ends and enjoy!

Happy Knitting!