

Slipped Stitches Scarf

EASY

7 inches by 5 feet

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About This Pattern

Use this scarf to practice slipping stitches to add texture to your knitting. You will also slip the first stitch of every row to smooth the edges. In this pattern, you will need two needle sizes. The smaller needle will be used to cast on the first row of stitches. Then, you will knit the second row with a larger needle held in your right hand. Once you have knit all the stitches off the smaller needle, set the small needles aside. Make the remainder of the scarf with the larger (US No. 8 / 5 mm) needles. After you have switched to the larger needles, remember not to knit too tightly or you will have difficulty working the next row. Because of all the slipped stitches in this design, the fabric of this scarf is more tightly woven and slightly thicker than a scarf made in Garter Stitch.



SLIPPED STITCHES SCARF



Sizes: 7 inches x 5 feet

Skills: You will practice slipping stitches knitwise and purlwise to create texture and smooth edges.

Gauge: 18 stitches x 24 rows = 4 x 4 inches in stockinette stitch on No. 8 (5.0 mm) needles.

Yarn Suggestions: Use a soft yarn fiber for this project, such as acrylic, wool, silk, alpaca, or a soft fiber blend. This scarf is particularly attractive in variegated (multicolored) yarn.

Instructions: Knit flat, turning after each row.

Materials

Knitting Needles

Long Circular Needles

- 36-inch (91 cm) long US No. 5 (3.75 mm) circular needle (or three sizes smaller than needles used to obtain gauge)
- 36-inch (91 cm) long US No. 8 (5.0 mm) circular needle (or size needed to obtain gauge)

Or Straight Needles

- 9-inch (23 cm) long US 5 (3.75 mm) straight needles (or three sizes smaller than needles used to obtain gauge)
- 9-inch (23 cm) long US No. 8 (5.0 mm) straight needles (or size needed to obtain gauge)

Yarn

- Two 315-yard (6 ounce) skeins of worsted weight yarn* (shown in Caron Simply Soft Yarn), in your choice of color.
 - one standard scarf uses about 420 yards (8 oz.)

Tools: A measuring tape and a darning needle.

Abbreviations

- k = knit
- sl1pwyif = slip one stitch purlwise with yarn in front
- sl1kwyib = slip one stitch knitwise with yarn in back
- sl1kwyif = slip one stitch knitwise with yarn in front
- ** = repeat the pattern between the asterisks

*Weights estimated with Caron Simply Soft yarn; other yarn weights may vary. Weight does not include gauge swatch. A 4x4 inch gauge swatch with a 2 row by 3 stitch border uses an additional 21 yards (0.4 oz.).

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Instructions: Standard-Width Slipped Stitches Scarf

(7 inches x 5 feet or desired length)

Use the long-tail cast on method. Knit flat, turning after each row.

[Using No. 5 needles] Row 1: Cast on 42 stitches. Turn.

[Switch to No. 8 needles] Row 2: sl1pwyif, *k 1, sl1kwyif* x 20, k 1. (42 stitches) Turn.

Row 3: sl1pwyif, *k 1, sl1kwyib* x 20, k 1. (42 stitches)

Repeat Rows 2 and 3 until scarf measures 5 feet or your desired length.

Bind off loosely in pattern of Row 2. Cut yarn, leaving an 8-inch tail, and pull through. Weave in ends. Block if desired.