

HORIZONTAL KNIT SCARF

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This pattern is incredibly easy and adaptable. It is knit in the length, NOT the width, so the knitter casts on lots of stitches but only has to knit 25 to 30 rows, or to her taste. A different approach --- and fun!

Yarn: Use whatever you have; worsted weight is probably the best but fingering yarn would work; adjust the size of the needle downwards so the scarf doesn't get too lacy. Play with the colors --- use up scraps, alternate rows of color.

A size 9 (8 or 10 would work as well) circular needle. It must be a circular needle of a decent length because so many stitches must be accommodated.

CAST ON 199 STITCHES. This creates a finished scarf of about 72 inches without the fringe. The number of stitches can be reduced to make a shorter scarf but in all cases, it should be an odd number of stitches.

KNIT IN SEED STITCH for row 1 and all following rows: knit 1, purl 1, knit 1, purl 1, etc., all the way across.

Knit this row continuously until the scarf is wide enough to your taste. (25 rows measure approximately 5 inches in a worsted weight.) Then cast off loosely.

Fringe: As each row is started, leave a tail of about six inches and as each row is finished, leave a tail of about six inches also. Tie every five into a bundle. This is the easiest fringe you will ever make!