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Rainbow Scarf



This is a decorative scarf knitted with a really dense stitch. The hardest part is picking out the colours so take the time to make sure they're right.

You will need:

12 shades of double knit yarn

3mm circular knitting needle • 3mm crochet hook (optional) • tapestry needle • scissors

Pattern:

First choose your 12 shades of yarn. Try to keep the colours of a consistent brightness so they fade into each other. You can use more colours (just work more pattern rows) or less colours (for an even skinnier scarf) depending on what you have available.

Cast on 400 sts in your first colour, preferably using the bind-off cast-on method.

*Cut yarn, leaving a short tail. Tie a slip knot in the next colour yarn. Slip this over the cut tail of the previous colour. Push the knot along the yarn so that it is flush to the edge of the knitting and pull tight. Start knitting using the new colour.

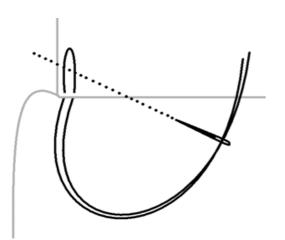
Rows 1 & 2: [k1, yfwd, sl1, ybck] x 200

Cut the yarn and join the next colour with a slip knot as above.

Rows 3 & 4: [yfwd, sl1, ybck, k1] x 200

Repeat from * until all but the final colour of yarn have been used. Join the final colour using a slip knot

Cast off tightly in rib (k1, p1).



Making Up:

Joining the new has already made the fringe on one end of the scarf. To make the second fringe cut a length of colours 2 to 11. Double each length over. Use a tapestry needle to pull the double threads through the end of the scarf where that colour's row ends. Thread the tails through the end of the loop then pull tight.

Trim all the ends so they are the same length.

Notes:

Abbreviations

[] **x number** Repeat the section in square brackets the required number of times.

k number p numberKnit this number of stitches.

Purl this number of stitches.

sl number Slip this number of stitches purl wise.

sts Stitches.

yfwd Bring the yarn to the front of the knitting (+1 stitch if followed by a knit).

ybck Take the yarn to the back of the knitting.

Needle/Yarn Size

As with most ODDknit patterns the yarn and needle sizes in the "you will need" section are just a guide. Feel free to improvise with whatever needles and yarn you have lying around - that's half the fun!