

Reader Scarf

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Skill level: advanced beginner -- a good project for learning to cable

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

Length	56 in
	142.25 cm
Width	10 in
	25.5 cm

Yarn

Misti Tonos Worsted Hand Paint (50% baby alpaca, 50% merino wool, 100 g = approx 218 yards/ 200 meters)

3 hanks

Needles

U.S. 7 (4.5 mm)

Notions

cable needle stitch markers 2 buttons

Gauge/Tension

18 sts and 28 rows = 4 in/ 10 cm in St st on U.S. 7 (4.5 mm) needles

or correct needle size to obtain gauge

Knitting notes:

Reader Scarf is knit in one piece from end to end. You'll begin with ribbing followed by four repeats of the 12-row cable pattern. Then you'll work a turning row of purl sts on the right side followed by 45 rows of St st for the pocket lining. Body of scarf is 21 cable pattern repeats. Second pocket is done the same way as the first, just in reverse order. The only finishing is sewing down the pocket and adding buttons -- the cable pattern provides the buttonholes!

To knit

CO 45 sts.

Set-up rows for pocket:

Rows 1-3: *k1, p1*, rpt across.

You'll be increasing the center 17 sts to 26 sts on the next row. M1 increases work well here, as they don't leave holes. See Abbreviations at end of pattern for how to do M1.

Row 4: k3, pm, k 11, pm, increase 9 sts over the next 17 sts, pm, k11, pm, k3.

Begin cable pattern:

Row 1 (RS): k3, sm, k11, sm, p3, k20, p3, sm, k11, sm, k3.

Row 2: k3, sm, p11, sm, k3, p20, k3, sm, p11, sm, k3

Row 3: k3, sm, k11, sm, p3, k4, *sl next 4 sts to cn and hold in front, k 4 sts, then k 4 sts from cn*, rpt from *to * once more, p3, sm, k11, sm, k3.

Row 4: k3, sm, p11, sm, k3, p20, k3, sm, p11, sm, k3

Row 5: k3, sm, k11, sm, p3, k20, p3, sm, k11, sm, k3.

Row 6: same as Row 4 Row 7: same as Row 5

Row 8: same as Row 4

Row 9: k3, sm, k11, sm, p3, *sl next 4 sts to cn and hold in back, k4, then k4 off cn*, rpt from *to * once more, k4, p3, sm, k11, sm, k3.

Row 10: Same as Row 4 Row 11: Same as Row 5 Row 12: Same as Row 4

Repeat 12-row cable pattern 3 more times.

Pocket lining:

Next row: p across -- turning row for bottom of pocket.

Next row: k across. This is now the RS of your work.

Work 44 more rows in St st for pocket lining, ending on a WS row.

Body of scarf:

Beg 12-row cable pattern. Work 21 cablepattern repeats, ending with a Row 12 before beg second pocket.

Second pocket:

Work 44 rows of St, ending on a WS (purl)

Next row: turning row: purl across.

Next row (RS): begin 12-row cable pattern.

Work 4 repeats of 12-row cable pattern,

except work 12th row of 4th repeat as

follows: k3, sm, k11, sm, dec 9 sts over center

26 sts = 17 sts, k11, sm, k3.

Next 3 rows: *k1, p1*, rpt across, removing markers on first ribbing row.

BO on next RS row.

Finishing:

Block scarf.

Sew down pocket side seams.

Place button at top center of each pocket lining to match buttonhole opening created by first cable cross.

Find a lovely book, sit down and have a snuggly read.

Abbreviations

approx = approximately
beg = begin, beginning

BO = bind off
CO = cast on
cont = continue
dec = decrease
inc = increase
k = knit
m = marker

M1 = inc between st just knitted and next st: pick up running st with left needle tip from the front, knit into back (short leg) of new stitch

pm = place marker

rpt = repeat

RS = right side (public side) of

sweater

sl = slip

sm = slip marker st/sts = stitch/stitches St st = stockinette stitch

Turn = immediately begin working on

reverse side of work

WS = wrong side (inside) of sweater

