

Lengthwise Scarf: Mini- & Full-Sized

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Create a scarf to be donated to women entering shelters. The full version may be more suited for a colorful winter scarf and the mini version for a dress scarf. Both varieties are needed. Yarns with colors that are similar or with minimal contrast are suggested for the mini scarf. These scarves can be made with or without fringe, and any variation of color patterning (as above) will work!

PATTERN NOTES

For a self-fringing scarf:

- Work back and forth, knitting every row, but attaching new yarn at beginning of each row.
- The fringe is formed by leaving an 8" (10") tail at the **beginning** of each row, and then **cutting** the yarn at the **end** of each row, leaving an 8" (10") tail.

For a scarf with no fringe:

- Leave tails long enough to weave in when finished.
- Change color ever row, if desired. *Suggestion:* Using a color sequence with 2 or 4 rows per color will leave you with fewer ends to weave in.

For all scarves:

- Each 26-yd ball is more than enough for 4 rows plus fringe (if making a fringed scarf) on each end.
- Use the suggested color pattern described below or any combination of the yarns. For instance, you may change color every one, two, or four rows.

Materials

Sizes:

Mini (Full) *Note: Numbers enclosed in parentheses are for the full-sized scarf.*

Yarn

6 (12) balls of yarn, 26 yds per ball

Needles

US 8 circular needle, at least 32" long. **Note:** *If you knit very loosely, use a US 7 needle; if you knit very tightly, use a US 9.*

Notions

Locking marker or pin to designate front of scarf

Tape measure

Gauge

Gauge is not critical

Finished Measurements

Mini: Approx. 45-50" long and about 3" wide

Full: Approx. 50-60" long and about 6" wide

Abbreviations: K: knit; Sts: stitches

(Pattern notes, continued:)

- If you change yarn every row, be sure to alternate the “side” of the scarf you start knitting on to maintain the garter pattern.
- Before starting, decide on a color sequence with your yarns and label your yarns as “A”, “B”, etc. **Use a plain yarn for color A.**

DIRECTIONS

Note: Instructions are shown for the mini (full) scarf versions.

Work 22 (46) rows, knitting every row. Follow the suggested color sequencing below, or use your own color pattern. See Pattern Notes if you don’t wish to make fringe.

Leaving an 8” (10”) tail, loosely cast on 180 (200) sts in Color A. Cut yarn, leaving an 8” tail.

Row 1: Leaving an 8” (10”) tail, knit using Color A. Cut yarn, leaving an 8” (10”) tail.

Suggested color sequencing:

Rows 2 and 3: Leaving an 8” (10”) tail, knit using Color B. Cut yarn, leaving an 8” (10”) tail.

Rows 4 and 5: Color C

Continue in this fashion, knitting 2 rows in each color D through E (D through K), with or without fringe as desired, until you complete Row 9 (21).

For the mini-scarf:

Rows 10-13: Color F

For the full scarf:

Rows 20-25: Color L

Both scarves:

Resume knitting 2 rows in each color E through B (K through B).

When you get to the last row — Row 22 for the mini-scarf, Row 46 for the full scarf — knit that row in color A.

Bind off loosely in color A.

Finishing

Straighten all fringe. Optionally, tie groups of 4 or more strands of fringe together, using a square knot. Trim fringe to about 3” (7”).

