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Pattern Introduction

The simplest of lacework knitting!! You'll be knitting this lacy scarf pattern-free in no time! Only one line of stitches to remember, then purl all other rows inbetween. My pattern is written so you can choose any weight yarn, and it offers a shawl variation for you! Enjoy!

Easy-Peasy Lace Scarf

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What you need

- 2-4 balls of yarn. (This is not specific, since you may choose to use up leftover yarn, make it extra long, OR if you are using a chunky weight, you'll need more yarn. For the scarf pictured here, I used not quite two balls of Noro Silk Garden Lite.)
- 2-3 Sizes bigger knitting needles than what your yarn label suggests. (I used Size 10).

Yarn Needle

Stitches you need to know Knit, Purl, Yarn over, Knit 2 Together Slip a Stitch, Pass a Slipped Stitch Over

Techniques you need to know

Simple, repetitive stitches are all you need to see the lace-work form.

Gauge No need to fuss about gauge…it's a scarf! [©] Having said that, you do need to be sure you knit with larger needles than your yarn label suggests. This will allow for an open stitch and for the lace-look knitting to be flowy. (Is "flowy" a word? [©])

Measurements Width varies with yarn choice, and length varies according to your desire. Just make it long enough to wrap around your neck! Keep going if you want it to wrap around several times.

Abbreviations (also see abbreviations in Memory Refreshers)

K-Knit

P-Purl

Sts-Stitches

Memory Refreshers

- *YO (Yarn Over): Simply bring your yarn to the front of the work as if you were knitting, just without putting your needle through a stitch.
- *K2Tog (Knit 2 Together): Place your needle through the next 2 stitches on your needle and knit them as if they were one stitch.
- *PSSO (Pass the Slipped Stitch Over): Take the stitch that you slipped before Knitting 2 Together, and Pass this stitch over the K2Tog, either using your needle or your finger. *Slip: Slip the stitch over to the other needle as if you were going to purl it.

Tips & Tricks

When a pattern tells you to Cast On without telling you which cast-on to use...what do you do? Here are some tips: When you are not told which cast on to use, it is fairly safe to use whichever one you know. Long-tail, e-wrap, and the knitted cast-on are basic cast-on methods that can be used broadly. E-wrap (or thumb wrap) can be very elastic, so for some patterns, including this one, e-wrap might not be the best option. If you know, and prefer, some of the other cast-on methods (crochet cast-on being one of my favorites) then by all means use it. If you can't remember how to cast on at all, I suggest using the knitted cast-on: place a slip knot on your needle, knit into this stitch without pulling it off the needle, then place the new loop of yarn you've made onto this needle. You now have 2 stitches on the needle. Continue knitting each newly added stitch and placing the new loop onto the needle with all the stitches until you have the required number of stitches.

Walkthrough

- *Cast on 33 sts. Use either knitted cast-on, long-tail, or crochet cast-on. (See <u>Tips & Tricks</u>)
- **Row 1:** K2, *YO, K3,Slip 1, K2Tog, PSSO, K3, YO, K1; Repeat from * until 1 stitch remains, K1.

Row 2: Purl all sts.

Repeat Rows 1 & 2 until desired length or until your yarn nears the end. Leave enough yarn to Bind Off all sts. Fasten Off. Weave in End.

Variations on a Theme

*Change yarns within the same yarn weight (for different colors and textures) every so many rows.

*Change the yarn weight for the entire scarf being sure to choose needles 2-3 times larger than recommended needle size on the label.

Easy-Peasy Lace Shawl Option!

For all Yarn Weights except for Chunky/Bulky: Cast On 123 Sts. Work same as Scarf Pattern until desired length!

For Chunky or Bulky Weight Yarns: Cast On 93 Sts. Work same as Scarf Pattern until desired length!