



Ruffles at the Improv Scarf



Easy to knit – use one or more skeins of a variety of yarns or even selections from your stash of left over yarns. Ruffles instead of fringe make this scarf a whimsy.

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS: Approximately 72" long not including ruffle ends, and approximately 4 ½" wide. Ruffles are approximately 4" long.

YARNS (shop model knit with):

Yarn A: 2 skeins Lana Grossa FAVOLA (50 grams = 66 yards). Save about ½ skein for the ruffles.

Yarn B: 1 skein Rowan LINEN PRINT (50g = 60 yards).

Yarn C: 1 skein Berroco SUEDE (50grams = 120 yards), use doubled.

Yarn D: 1 skein Crystal Palace ICELAND (100 grams = 109 yards).

Yarn E: 1 skein Classic Elite LAGRAN mohair (42 grams = 90 yards).

GAUGE: Approximately 3 to 3 ¼ sts per inch in garter stitch with smaller needle size and Yarn D (smooth bulky weight yarn).

NEEDLES: Two circulars 29" or longer, one #US10, one #US10 ½.

NOTE: To make scarf longer and/or wider, add more yarn and increase number of cast on stitches. And, set aside more yarn for ruffles if scarf is to be wider.

PREPARE YARN: Cut yarn pieces from each yarn, approximately 3-4 full arm lengths in length. Tie pieces together sequentially or randomly, but begin and end with Yarn A or the yarn that you choose to use for the ruffles (have on hand at least 120 - 150 yards for the yarn that will be used in the scarf AND for the ruffles). If you prefer to change yarns as you go, simple keep track of the sequence of changes and be sure that the same yarn is used in the cast on and bind off rows AND for the ruffles.

INSTRUCTIONS: With larger needle, CO 200 stitches (or desired number of stitches) with Yarn A.

ROW 1: Change to smaller needle, S11pwise, K to last st, P1.

ROW 2: S11pwise, K to last st, p1.

Repeat Rows 1 and 2, on the smaller size needle, until piece measures approximately 4 ½ " wide or desired width in relation to your available yardage minus yarn for the ruffle. Bind off loosely with larger needle and the Yarn A or the same yarn used in the cast on row.

RUFFLE (multiple of 6 stitches plus 2):

Count the number of edge stitches you have at one "width" end of the scarf. In the case of the shop model, there were 16 slipped edge stitches (each edge stitch representing a ridge or two knit rows) plus the cast on and bind off row stitches = 18 stitches. Determine the number of stitches that will fulfill the stitch pattern requirement. In the case of the shop model, the required number of stitches were 20 (3x6= 18 & 2 = 20 stitches required); 16 edge stitches (re ridges knit), 2 end stitches plus the need for an increase of 2 stitches to equal the pattern requirement.

RSF, with Yarn A (or your other yarn selection) and smaller needle size, pick up and knit the required number of stitches along one end of the scarf.

As you pick up stitches on the end of the scarf, include the cast on edge, each edge stitch, and the bind off edge, increasing stitches evenly across the row to make the total number of ruffle stitches required.

RUFFLE PATTERN:

Row 1 (WSF): K2, *p4, k2; rep from * to end of row.

Row 2 (RSF): P2, *k2, yo, k2, p2; rep from * to end of row.

Row 3 (WSF): K2, *p5, k2; rep from * to end of row.

Row 4 (RSF): P2, *k2, yo, k1, yo, k2, p2; rep from * to end of row.

Row 5 (WSF): K2, *p7, k2; rep from * to end of row.

Row 6 (RSF): P2, *k2, yo, k3, yo, k2, p2; rep from * to end of row.
Row 7 (WSF): K2, *p9, k2; rep from * to end of row.
Row 8 (RSF): P2,*k2, yo, k5, yo, k2, p2; rep from * to end of row.
Row 9 (WSF): K2, *p11, k2; rep from * to end of row.
Row 10 (RSF): P2, *k2, yo, k7, yo, k2, p2; rep from * to end of row.
Row 11 (WSF): K2, *p13, k2; rep from * to end of row.
Row 12 (RSF): P2, * k2, yo, k9, yo, k2, p2: rep from * to end of row.
Row 13 (WSF): K2, *p15, k2; rep from * to end of row.
Row 14 (RSF): P2, *k2, yo, k11, yo, k2, p2; rep from * to end of row.
Row 15 (WSF): K2, *p17, k2; rep from * to end of row.
Row 16 (RSF): P2, *k2, yo, k13, yo, k2, p2; rep from * to end of row.
Row 17 (WSF): K2, *p19, k2; rep from * to end of row.
Row 18 (RSF): Bind of loosely in pat: P2, *k19,p2; rep from * to end of row.

Make second ruffle on other end of scarf.

FINISHING: weave in tails, shorten ties to preferred length. FINIS!

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