

Scarves to Throws - Month 1 - Free Knitting Pattern

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I love knitting throws, blankets, afghans... I really do! I love that I can 'wear' the finished product every single day of the week - and no one gets offended! The only problems with knitting them is that they can be expensive, take forever to finish, and that, until they are finished, you have parts of them lying uselessly around the house. I certainly don't claim to be able solve all of the world's problems, but I think I might have just solved one of them here...

You've heard of 'sock of the month club', the afghan 'block of the month' club, and maybe even the 'sweater of the month club', but have you heard of the 'scarves of the month that then get sewn together to make a throw at the end of the year CLUB'? Well, now you have!! Each month, I'm selecting a different color of Lorna's Laces Shepherd Worsted (super soft, machine washable) and knitting a scarf with it. And at the end of each month, Doug (and Buddy and Wiley) will have a new, different scarf to sport around town. At the end of the year, I'll have 12 scarves (that I've reclaimed from my DH) that I can sew together to create a machine washable, super duper soft throw.

So, feel free to join me in this quest... I'll share the patterns and colors that I'm working on each month - and I look forward to hearing ideas from all of you! Just remember... No more useless blocks cluttering up the house - we'll be wearing the pieces each month! I've just created a payment plan for myself!! I can't resist only spending \$17 a month when I know I'll end up with a hand-dyed machine washable heirloom throw at the end. I'm not one to just sit down and knit 2000 yards of worsted weight yarn - the prospect scares the heck out of me (remember, it takes me a year to knit a pair of socks). By breaking the project up into smaller, distinct projects it doesn't seem as scary.... and I'll have a finished product at the end of each month! Talk about gratification.

Note: I have to tell you, I didn't realize how much the Shepherd Worsted changed shape and texture once it's been washed. As you can see from the photo above, the first section of my scarf has been blocked - meaning that I put it in the sink with a bit of dish soap and warm water. After rinsing with cold, I flattened it out and let it dry on my kitchen table. The edges stopped curling and the texture turned to butter. The result is incredible.

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Finished Measurements: 4.5 x 65 inches

Materials:

1 ball of Lornas Laces Shepherd Worsted in Pewter

A Cable Needle

Straight knitting needles, US size 10

Gauge: In pattern stitch, 26 stitches = 4.5"

Abbreviations:

3-st LSC: slip 1 stitch to the cable needle and hold to front. Sl1, K1, then then [K1] from cable needle

3-st RSC: slip 2 stitches to the cable needle and hold to back. K the next stitch then [K1, Sl1] from cable needle

CO: cast on

K: knit

P: purl

Sl1: slip 1 stitch. On RS rows, slip the stitch purlwise with the yarn in back. On WS rows, slip the stitch purlwise with the yarn in front.

Directions:

CO 26 sts using a US 10 Needle

Rows 1 and 3 (RS): K1,*K2,Sl1; repeat from *, end K1.

Rows 2 and 4: K1,*Sl1, P2; repeat from *, end K1.

Row 5: K1,*3-st RSC; repeat from *, end K1.

Rows 6 and 8: K1,P3,*Sl1, P2; repeat from *, end K1.

Row 7: K1,*K2, Sl1; repeat from *, end K4.

Row 9: K1,K2,*3-st LSC; repeat from *, end Sl1, K1.

Repeat Rows 2-9 until scarf is 65"

Bind off.

Finishing:

Sew in all ends.

Lightly wash and rinse your scarf in the kitchen sink. Lay it out to dry on a hard surface - and make sure to flatten it out.

Once dry, wear it around town for the next 11 months!

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