

Eleanor's Scarf

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I made this scarf for a family friend. She's a lovely lady, with refined tastes and a keen eye. I wanted to create an elegant scarf for her, so I chose a yarn with subtle hues (and just a little bit of shine) and a pattern that was simple (so it didn't compete with the colors and sheen of the yarn) but had some visual interest (so it wasn't boring).

Since both sides of a scarf are often visible when it's being worn, I usually prefer reversible scarf patterns. However, while this scarf is not reversible per se, its "wrong side" is also attractive. It's not as pretty as the right side, of course, but I don't think you'll mind if this scarf shows its back side.

YARN

4 balls GGH Bolero (43% rayon, 29% acrylic, 24% cotton, 2% nylon, 2% polyester; 93 yds/50 g) in colorway #6 (off white, light brown, light blue, and pale grey). This yarn has been discontinued (see **NOTES**).

NEEDLES & NOTIONS

US 8 (5.0 mm) needles.

Stitch holder.

Darning needle to finish.

GAUGE

Approx 6 sts and 6.5 rows = 1" in Main Patt.

FINISHED SIZE

Approx 5.25" wide and 51" long.



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NOTES

Unfortunately this yarn has been discontinued, but since gauge is not critical for a scarf, you could try using any other worsted-weight yarn that gives you a similar gauge. Or, if you like the multi-color and varied texture of the Bolero yarn, find a similar yarn even if it is not worsted weight and use it. Your scarf's dimensions may be different than one made with GGH Bolero, but this pattern would make an attractive scarf at any size or gauge.

This scarf is made by knitting two pieces and grafting them together at the scarf's center using the Kitchener stitch. Note that for one half of the scarf you'll end on a wrong side row, and for the other half you'll end on a right side row so that when you graft the two halves together you'll get a nice seam.

The "Edging Pattern" creates a one-row ridge that is a nice decorative detail for the scarf's bottom edges. I felt this ridge would be distracting from the subtle color and textural changes within the yarn if used throughout the entire scarf, so I chose to only include it at the bottom of both edges of my scarf. If you like the detail or if your yarn isn't as colorful or textured as the Bolero yarn, you could make the entire scarf with the Edging Pattern and not switch to the Main Pattern as I did.

INSTRUCTIONS

CO 32 sts. Begin Edging Patt.

Edging Pattern

Rows 1, 3 and 5 (WS): p.

Rows 2, 4, 6 and 8 (RS): k1, *k1f&b, k2, sl 1, k1, pssso, k2tog, k2, k1f&b; rep from * to last st, k1.

Row 7: k.

Rep Rows 1 through 8 once more (for a total of 16 rows), then start Main Patt.

Main Pattern

Row 1 and all WS rows: p.

Row 2 and all RS rows: k1, *k1f&b, k2, sl 1, k1, pssso, k2tog, k2, k1f&b; rep from * to last st, k1.

For first half of scarf only: start Main Patt. Rep these 2 rows until piece measures 25.5", ending on a WS row. DO NOT BO. Cut yarn leaving 6" tail. Place live sts on st holder (to be grafted to second half of scarf later).

For second half of scarf only: start Main Patt. Rep these 2 rows until piece measures 25.5", ending on a RS row. DO NOT BO. Cut yarn leaving an 18" tail.



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FINISHING

Place live stitches from first half of scarf back onto knitting needle. Hold the two halves of the scarf with the wrong sides (WS) together, with first half of scarf in front and second half of scarf in back. Thread the 18" tail from the second half onto darning needle and graft two halves together using Kitchener stitch. For help with Kitchener stitch, www.knittinghelp.com is a great online resource.

Secure and weave in ends. Block scarf as needed or desired.

ABBREVIATIONS

approx	approximately	psso	with tip of left needle, pick up slipped stitch and pass it over the knitted stitch and off the right needle
BO	bind off	rep	repeat
CO	cast on	RS	right side
g	gram(s)	sl 1	slip 1 stitch knitwise, as if to knit, from the left needle to the right needle
k	knit	st(s)	stitch(es)
k1f&b	knit into the front and then into the back of the same stitch	tog	together
k2tog	knit two stitches together	WS	wrong side
kwise	knitwise, as if to knit	yd(s)	yard(s)
mm	millimeter(s)		
p	purl		
patt	pattern		



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