Milkshake Reversible Scarflet

The rich, warm lace of this reversible scarf packs unexpected punch: small enough to be full-size for a child, it's plenty big for a woman's neckwarmer. Two buttons sewn back to back and slipped through any 'buttonhole' in the lace pattern allow it to be closed tight or left loose with just enough length to spare for lying flat or tucking in. Softly variegated superwash wool from Midnight Sheep gives depth to the rib-look side, while the frothier reverse reminds me, at least, of a milk shake fresh from the blender.

Materials

160 yards DK/light worsted superwash merino, Midnight Sheep (245 yards/100g): www.etsy.com/shop/MidnightSheep 1 set 5mm/US 8 straight or circular needles 2-4 buttons, 7/8" (23mm) in diameter - optional

Gauge

Some superwash wools can be stretched farther than others during blocking. Here, in the lace pattern post-blocking, 17 sts/18 rows = 4 inches.

Finished Size

29.5" x 6"

Abbreviations

K: knit

K2tog: knit two together

P: purl

skp: slip next st knitwise to right needle, K1, pass slipped st over the K1.

sk2p: slip next st knitwise to right needle, K2tog, pass slipped st over the K2tog.

st(s): stitch(es)

yo: yarn over; when next st is a purl, hold yarn in back; when next st is a knit, hold yarn in front.

Note

For a full-sized scarf, cast on 57 sts and work 37 repeats; allow about 400 yards of yarn.



Directions

With 5 mm needles, cast on 29 sts

Setup

Rows 1, 2: K

Lace Pattern

Rows 1, 3, 5: P2, K1, *P3, K1; repeat from * to last 2 sts, P2

Rows 2, 4: K2tog, yo, P1, *yo, sk2p, yo, P1; repeat from * to last 2 sts, yo, skp

Row 6: K2, P1, *K3, P1; repeat from * to last 2 sts, K2

Rows 7, 8: K

Repeat rows 1-8 of lace pattern 15 times more for a total of 16 repeats.

Cast off, run in ends, and wet block.

Finishing

Sew two buttons back to back at one end, over a Row 7/8 to give coverage

for running in the ends; if adding a second set, secure them a little more than halfway down the width of the scarf.





