

kentmere



The garter stitch scarf reborn! Kentmere requires only the most basic of knitting skills, but will surprise you with a twist or two at the end!

I knitted samples in both DK and Worsted weight, but really the only limitation is how much yarn you have available. A 4-ply version with an increased number of stitches would work just as well, as would chunky with fewer stitches. Likewise, feel free to work in any reversible pattern, don't limit yourself to my examples!

Yarn: *Garter stitch version* - Fyberspates Scrumptious DK/Aran (45% Silk / 55% Merino, 241 yards per 100g skein), 2 skeins.

Triangle stitch version - Juno Fibre Arts Sirius DK (75% Merino, 20% Silk, 5% Stellina Sparkle, 230 yards per 100g skein), 2 skeins.

Gauge:

Garter Stitch version: 21 stitches and 36 rows per 4" in garter stitch.

Triangle stitch version: 22 stitches and 32 rows per 4" in pattern.

Needles: 4.5mm circular for garter stitch version, 4mm for triangle stitch version.

Abbreviations: K = Knit

P = purl

S = Slip 1 purlwise with yarn in front

KFB = knit into front and back of next stitch

PFB = purl into front and back of next stitch.

Garter Stitch version

1st Half

With waste yarn and 4.5mm needle, provisionally cast on 42 stitches.

Change to main yarn.

Sl, knit to end.

Repeat 1st row until just under half of your yarn is used up. It needs to be between 29 and 33 inches long.

Next Row: knit into the front and back of every stitch. 84 stitches.

Thread a strand of waste yarn onto a darning needle.

*Slip 1 stitch onto waste yarn, slip one stitch from left needle tip to right needle tip, repeat from * to end. 42 stitches.

2nd half

Continue working in garter stitch with slipped stitch edging as before until 2nd half measures 1 inch longer than 1st half.

Joining of halves

Place stitches currently held on yarn in middle of scarf onto a circular needle.

Lay your scarf down in front of you with the just inserted circular needle facing up and the provisional cast on to the left. Let's call the cast on edge A, the centre stitches B, and the end where your working yarn is coming from C. (Figure 1) Let's also call the side that is facing up now the right side.

Lift edge C and twist it 180 degrees anti-clockwise. Lay edge C down, still twisted, so that edges B and C are together. The right side and the wrong side will be together at this point.

Fold over edge C so that the right sides are now together, like you were folding over a hem. You should now have a twisted loop, and the stitches at edge C will be aligned with the stitches from edge B.

This bit is really awkward because you have a loop of fabric wrapped around your needle, but you need to knit together 1 stitch from end C with 1 stitch from B, and continue all across the row so that your 'loop' is now fastened together. *Please note that when you are knitting these stitches together you should be working on the inside of the loop you are creating.* Edges B and C are now joined, and will be referred to as edge D from here on.

Unzip provisional cast on at edge A and place the stitches onto a circular needle.

Lift scarf at edge A and twist it 180 degrees anticlockwise.

You are about to graft edge A with the newly created edge D, but this will require some tricky manipulation! :-)) Tuck edge A inside the loop you created before. With working yarn, kitchener stitch/graft both sets of stitches together and break yarn.

Points A and D will now be together in the centre.

Triangle stitch version

1st half

With waste yarn and 4mm needle, provisionally cast on 53 stitches.

Change to main yarn and begin working in Triangle stitch pattern from either written instructions or chart.

Work rows 1-16 13 times total. Repeat rows 1-15 once more.

Next Row (Wrong side): KFB x 10, (PFB, KFB x 7) to last 3, KFB x 3. 106 sts.

Thread a strand of waste yarn onto a darning needle.

*Slip 1 stitch onto waste yarn, slip one stitch from left needle tip to right needle tip, repeat from * to end.

2nd half

Work rows 1-16 13 times more. Repeat rows 1-8 once more.

Work the joining of halves as for the garter stitch version.

Triangle stitch written instructions

Row 1 (Right side): S1, K9, (P1, K7) to last 3, K3.

Row 2 (Wrong side): S1, K2, P7, (K1, P7) to last 3, K3.

Row 3: S1, K2, P1, K5, (P3, K5) to last 4, P1, K3.

Row 4: S1, K3, P5, (K3, P5) to last 4, K4.

Row 5: S1, K2, P2, K3, (P5, K3) to last 5, P2, K3.

Row 6: S1, K4, P3, (K5, P3) to last 5, K5.

Row 7: S1, K2, P3, K1, (P7, K1) to last 6, P3, K3.

Row 8: S1, K5, P1, (K7, P1) to last 6, K6.

Row 9: S1, K5, P1, (K7, P1) to last 6, K6.

Row 10: S1, K2, P3, K1, (P7, K1) to last 6, P3, K3.

Row 11: S1, K4, P3, (K5, P3) to last 5, K5.

Row 12: S1, K2, P2, K3, (P5, K3) to last 5, P2, K3.

Row 13: S1, K3, P5, (K3, P5) to last 4, K4.

Row 14: S1, K2, P1, K5, (P3, K5) to last 4, P1, K3.

Row 15: S1, K2, P7, (K1, P7) to last 3, K3.

Row 16: S1, K9, (P1, K7) to last 3, K3.

Triangle stitch chart

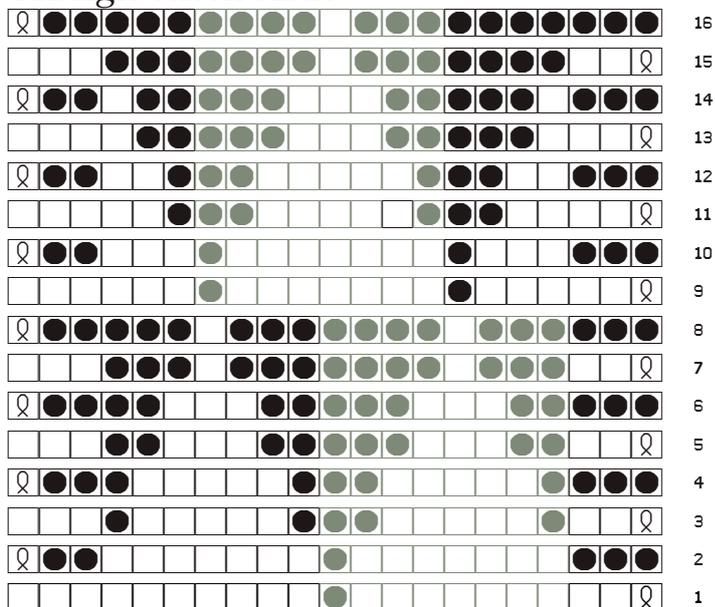
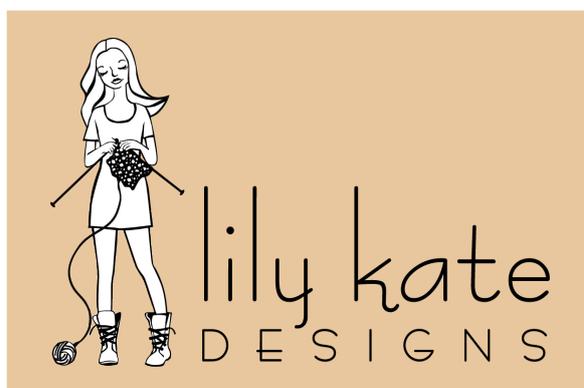


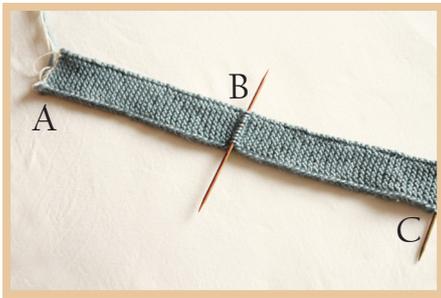
Chart Key

- knit on right side, purl on wrong side
- purl on right side, knit on wrong side
- slip purlwise with yarn in front.

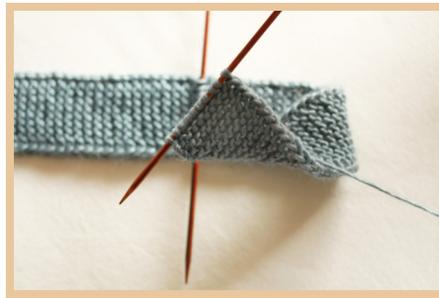
Note: Chart is read from right to left on all right side (odd numbered) rows and from left to right on all wrong side (even numbered) rows. Repeat sections in grey a total of 5 times per row.



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Lay out scarf as shown.



Twist edge C once anti-clockwise.



Align C with B.



(Needles aligned)



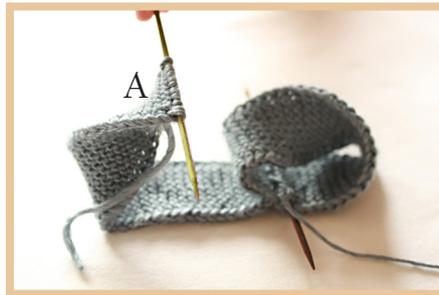
Knit together 1 stitch from each needle onto a third needle



(Knitting together continued)



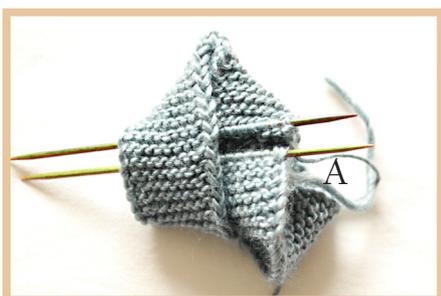
(New edge D formed)



Twist edge A 180 degrees anticlockwise



Align A with inside of loop



(Needles aligned)



(Loop pulled back to allow easier access to needles)
Graft/Kitchener stitch together.



Finished join should look like this.

