

Basketweave Scarf

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Spurred on by Pam Allen's book *Scarf Style* (published by Interweave Press), for the *Interweave Knits* Fall 2004 staff project, we all jumped on the bandwagon and worked up our own scarves in warm shades of red and pink. Ann Budd says: "I love long, narrow scarves. For this scarf I cast on just enough stitches to work a single balanced repeat of the Double Basket Pattern from Barbara Walker's *Treasury of Knitting*, and repeated the 18-row pattern until I used up two balls of yarn. The interplay of horizontal and vertical ribs produces an undulating, curved effect that adds complicated texture to the relatively simple stitch pattern."

★ FINISHED SIZE:

About 4½" (11.5 cm) wide and 78" (198 cm) long.

YARN:

Louet Gems Topaz (100% merino; 175 yd [160 m]/100 g): #11 cherry red, 2 skeins.

NEEDLES:

Size 8 (5 mm). Adjust needle size if necessary to obtain the correct gauge.

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☆ NOTIONS:

Tapestry needle.

☆ GAUGE:

18 sts and 24 rows = 4" (10 cm) in St st; 28 sts = 4½" (11.5 cm) wide in double basket patt.

☆ SKILL LEVEL:

Easy.  .

☆ STITCH GUIDE:

CO 28 sts. Work double basket patt as foll:

Rows 1 and 5: (RS) K11, p2, k2, p2, k11.

Rows 2 and 6: P1, k8, p2, [k2, p2] 2 times, k8, p1.

Rows 3 and 7: K1, p8, [k2, p2] 2 times, k2, p8, k1.

Rows 4 and 8: P11, k2, p2, k2, p11.

Row 9: Knit.

Rows 10 and 14: [P2, k2] 2 times, p12, [k2, p2] 2 times.

Rows 11 and 15: [K2, p2] 2 times, k2, p8, [k2, p2] 2 times, k2.

Rows 12 and 16: [P2, k2] 2 times, p2, k8, [p2, k2] 2 times, p2.

Rows 13 and 17: [K2, p2] 2 times, k12, [p2, k2] 2 times.

Row 18: Purl.

Rep Rows 1–18 until only enough yarn remains to BO, ending with Row 8 or 17. BO all sts. Weave in loose ends. Block lightly if desired. ✨

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