

Easy Leaves Scarf

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After a lace project went horribly wrong, I wanted to do an easy bit of lace. And, it being summer at the time, I wanted small and light, too. I had recently impulse-bought one skein of a cotton/tencel blend, so I swatched a few different stitches until I found one that would work for a scarf with that small amount of yarn. It knits up quickly, so it'd be a good choice for a fast gift.

The leaf lace stitch has a somewhat wavy edge, by blocking it out into points it has an effect as if you had put a border around the edge, a nice touch that makes it seem more complex than it actually is. This would be a good first lace project for beginner lace knitters.



Finished Size: 5 x 41 inches

Yarn: DK/light worsted, approx. 105 yds.—sample knit with one skein of Classic Elite Premiere, Camelia

Gauge: 17 st per 4 inches in lace leaf pattern (Note: the wavy-edged nature of the pattern stitch makes an absolute gauge measure difficult; gauge was measured at narrow point of pattern stitch.)

Needle Size: 8 US / 5mm

NOTES

I'm not wild about the Premiere yarn, it's already tending to curl a bit, and it sheds. A 100% natural fiber, especially wool, would probably hold the block better.

ABBREVIATIONS

st = stitch

K = knit

P = purl

yo = yarn over (increase)

k2tog = knit 2 st together (decrease)

ssk = slip, slip, knit—slip st knitwise, slip 2nd st knitwise, put left needle back through st and knit them both together (decrease)

dbl dec = double decrease—slip 2 st together knitwise, k1, pass slipped sts over (decreases 2 st)

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