



Ripple Lace Scarf Pattern.

This simple scarf uses a variation of the feather and fan stitch, or old shale stitch - a basic rippling lace created using decreases and yarn overs. It's ideal for beginners just exploring lace for the first time, or makes great TV knitting for the more experienced knitter!

The yarn I've used for this is not commercially available as it is non-branded. However, the owner of my LYS (local yarn store) has said she'd be more than happy to do online sales so if you'd like to use the same yarn as me, you can contact her at <https://www.facebook.com/hopstitchandjumper> I love the sheen to this yarn and it's super soft, despite being 100% acrylic. What I will say is that it has a slight halo to it, which adds to the romance, but can make it a little tricky if you need to tink back a few stitches so just be patient.

Any DK yarn would work just as well - although if you're using a self-striping yarn, you may want to experiment with how many stitches you cast on. I found that for this particular yarn, the number of stitches I've used works perfectly. If you do want to amend the stitch count, I've included details of how to do so in the pattern itself.

Yarn: DK weight. Approx 250g (yardage varies according to the yarn you choose: I got over 3ft from 1x90g ball of this yarn)

Needles: 3.25mm

To begin:

Cast on 56 stitches (4 stitches at either end will form the garter stitch edging to prevent curling) (the lace pattern is formed in sets of 12 stitches)

TO ADJUST WIDTH:

If you want it to be wider or narrower, cast on multiples of 12 plus 8 for the edging. For example, if you want five repeats of the lace pattern, you will need to cast on $5 \times 12 = 60$, plus 8 for the edging = 68.

Rows 1-4 garter stitch (this means knit all stitches) This will stop the bottom from curling upwards when the lace pattern starts)

Rows 5-8 will set the pattern as follows:

Row 5 - knit all stitches

Row 6 (and every wrong side row), knit 4 stitches, purl to last 4 stitches, knit to end.

Row 7: K4 (edging), K2tog twice, *yo k1 (4 times), k2tog 4 times* repeat from * to last 8 stitches, K2tog twice, K4 (edging).

Row 8: As for row 6.

Repeat rows 5-8 until the scarf reaches the length desired, making sure to leave enough yarn to complete another 4 rows of garter stitch. Cast off knitwise.



Here you can see a close-up of the lace detail and why this is often known as feather-and-fan lace. The eyelets literally “fan out” as they’re pulled by the decrease stitches in between.

I hope you’ve enjoyed this pattern - please do let me know of any errata and if you need any help don’t hesitate to contact me.

Happy knitting!

Gemma x

ABBREVIATIONS:

Gtst - garter stitch: knit every row

Stst - stocking stitch. Knit every odd row, purl every even row.

K2tog - knit two together. Rather than putting your needle through one stitch, put them through two and pull them off together.

yok1 - yarn over, knit one. This means to take your yarn to the front of the needle, as though you would purl, but then knit the next stitch.