## **Lataa Lace Scarf**

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This simple lace scarf is knit using a little less than 100 grams, or approximately 400 yards of fingering weight yarn. I'm calling it "Lataa", which means a 'vine' or 'creeper' in Hindi, because that's what it reminds me of! The stitch pattern is worked over a multiple of 13 stitches and 10 rows. You cast on a total of 45 stitches, including 6 border stitches (3 on either side) that are knit on every row, and 39 stitches (13 x 3) in the center that are worked in the lace stitch pattern.

The pattern includes both a chart (on page 3) and written instructions.

This pattern has not been tech edited or tested. If you have any questions, please feel free to send me a personal message on Ravelry, or leave a comment on my blog.

Happy Knitting!

Yarn - 100 grams or approx. 400 yards of any fingering weight yarn that can be blocked (preferably with wool as the primary fiber). I used a little less than one skein of Cascade Heritage (Solids).

Needles – A pair of US size 6 (4 mm) needles for knitting; US size 8 (5 mm) needle for casting on loosely (optional)

## **Notions:**

- 2-3 Stitch markers (if using)
- Blocking pins / wires
- Tapestry needle to weave in ends

Gauge – 19.5 stitches and 28 rows / 4 inches measured over pattern stitch

Finished dimensions – 8.5 inches wide and 60 inches long

#### Abbreviations:

- RS Right side
- WS Wrong side
- YO yarn over
- k2tog Knit 2 together
- ssk slip, slip, knit the 2 slipped stitches together
- (s2, k1, psso) slip two stitches together as if to knit; knit 1 stitch; pass slipped stitches over the knit stitch (2 stitches decreased)

### Lataa Stitch Pattern (worked over a multiple of 13 stitches):

- Row 1 (RS) \*[k1, YO, ssk, k1, k2tog, YO] twice, k1\*, repeat from \* to \*
- Row 2 (WS) and all WS rows Purl all stitches
- Row 3 \*k1, [k2toq, YO] twice, k3, [YO, ssk] twice, k1\*, repeat from \* to \*
- Row 5 \*[k2tog, YO] twice, k5, [YO, ssk] twice\*, repeat from \* to \*
- Row 7 \*k2, [YO, ssk] twice, k1, [k2tog, YO] twice, k2\*, repeat from \* to \*
- Row 9 \*k2, YO, ssk, k1, YO, (s2, k1, psso), YO, k1, k2tog, YO, k2\*, repeat from \* to \*
- Row 10 Purl all stitches

Repeat rows 1 to 10 for pattern.

#### **Pattern Instructions:**

(See chart on page 3 of the pattern)

- Cast on 45 stitches loosely using the larger needle.
- Switch to the smaller needles and knit 7 rows
- On row 8 (WS), knit 3 stitches, purl 39 stitches, knit the last 3 stitches.

## Scarf body:

**Next row (RS)** – Knit 3 stitches; work row 1 of the Lataa chart / stitch pattern <u>3 times</u>; knit the last 3 stitches (You can separate out the three repeats of the stitch pattern using stitch markers, if you want.)

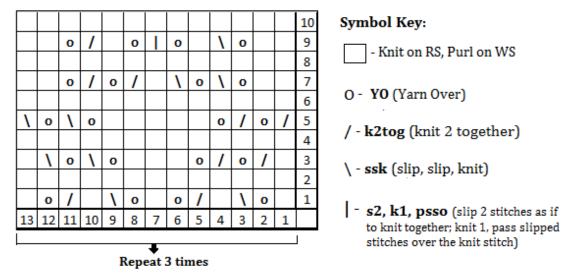
From this point on, you always knit the first 3 stitches, then knit in pattern over the next 39 stitches (13  $\times$  3), and knit the last 3 stitches.

While maintaining the garter stitch border, continue to work rows 2 to 10 of the Lataa chart / stitch pattern (working three repeats on every row) as above. Repeat rows 1-10 of the stitch-pattern 41 more times or till you reach the desired length, ending with row 10 of the stitch pattern / chart (on the wrong side).

#### To finish:

- Knit 7 rows. Bind off all stitches loosely, knitwise.
- Weave in ends. Block to desired measurements.

# Lataa Chart



- All odd number rows are right side rows
- All even number rows are wrong side rows, and are purled