

# Versatile scarf with beaded ends in soft and silky Bamboo Cotton 4 ply

This is like a piece of knitted jewellery. The ends can be laid through the long loop for a lovely, intertwined, draped effect. Do not choose beads which are too heavy, or they will drag the ends down; they may also hit you in the face if you move suddenly! You can wear the scarf long and loose, or fasten with a decorative brooch - it is a very versatile accessory indeed!

Your beads can be matched or mismatched, as you choose. This scarf makes a lovely gift, and it is an easy pattern to work. You could sew on charms, trinkets, shells or found objects, instead of threading on beads, for a retro boho look.

Simply knot the i cord, or bind it with shiny embroidery thread for a different look. Make the whole thing longer. Or shorter. Add tassels. Or even bells! This scarf is just waiting for you to customise it as you choose!

Materials: one 100 gram ball of King Cole Bamboo Cotton 4 ply; 1 pair of 3.25mm needles; four lovely beads with largish holes in them (Pandora type beads are good, or try decorative pewter 'tube' beads); spare needle or stitch holder.

Tension: as yarn ball band.

On each row, slip the first stitch and knit the last stitch. This will give you a neat edge.

Cast on two stitches.

Row 1: Increase into each stitch (4 stitches)

Work i cord for 5 cm (see note below for I cord, or consult our old friend YouTube.)#

Now begin to work back and forth in stocking stitch.

Row 1: knit

Row 2: purl.

Row 3: slip one, pick up and knit into the back of the loop between this and the next stitch.

Knit to end

Row 4: purl.

Repeat rows 3 and 4 until you have 38 stitches,

Leave these stitches on a spare needle or stitch holder.

Cast on 2 stitches

Row 1: Increase into each stitch

Work i cord for 5 cm, as for first 'end'

Now begin to work back and forth in stocking stitch.

Row 1: Knit

Row 2: Purl

Row 3: knit to last two stitches, pick up and knit into the back of the loop between the next two stitches. Knit last stitch

Row 4: purl.

Repeat rows 3 and 4 until you have 18 Stitches

Next row: knit to end of the row, cast on 4 stitches, then knit across the stitches on the spare needle. ( 60 Stitches)

Row 1: purl 38 Knit 4. Purl 18

Row 2: knit 18 Purl 4. Knit 38

Continue working these two rows until work measures 1metre from the point where the two pointed bits join.

Next row: knit 18 Cast off 4, knit to end

Row 1:purl

Row 2 Slip one, slip one knit one pass slipped stitch over knit to end.

Repeat these two rows until you have 4stitches left. Work 5cm of i cord, knit two together twice, cast off remaining two stitches.

Break off yarn and rejoin to inside edge of remaining stitches.

Row 1: Knit to last three stitches, knit two together through the back of the loops, knit one.

Rpw 2: Purl

Repeat these two rows until you have 4 stitches. Work 5 cm I cord, knit two together twice, cast off remaining two stitches.

Sew in loose ends. Thread a lovely bead onto each I cord and knot it under the bead to retain the bead in place. Add extra knots and/or beads if you like.

i cord: work 4 stitches. Slip them back onto the left hand needle. Knit them again, pulling the yarn tightish across the back of the work. Repeat this process until you have 5 cm of tubular knitting. If you use double pointed sock needles, you can knit 4 stitches, slide them to the opposite end of the needle and knit them again.

Job done

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