

Elegant Drop Stitch Scarf

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MATERIALS-

2 balls Madil Eden Bamboo (lt. worsted weight) 109 yds.

Size 6 needles

Size G crochet hook

Beads

Thread, beading needles

Gauge: Not critical, but I got 20 st and 20 rows= 4"



Note: For Slip Stitches on the edge, it is important to have the yarn in the right place for a smooth edge. On the right side, hold yarn in back to slip, bring between needles to front to purl next stitch. On the wrong side (the back) hold yarn in front to slip, then bring yarn between needles to back to knit next stitch.

CAST ON- 31 Sts.

1.) S1, (P1, K1) 4 times. Knit to last 9 stitches, (K1, P1) 4 times, end K1. Turn.

2.) S1, (K1, P1) 4 times. Purl to last 9 stitches, ((P1, K1) 4 times, end P1. Turn.

Repeat rows 1 and 2 to desired length.

BIND OFF-

Bind off 9 stitches as usual, then *using crochet hook, slip loop off right needle onto hook and chain two, put back on needle. Drop next stitch off left needle and bind off 5 stitches. Repeat from *. Chain 2, drop 1 stitch, and bind off last 9 stitches. Leave long tail (about 6") and cut. You will incorporate the tails at the beginning and end into your fringe; no need to work them in. But do work in the join in the middle as neatly as possible.

Gently pull open the three dropped stitches all the way to the bottom. Don't worry, it won't fall apart!

FRINGE-

Cut several lengths of yarn about 12-15" long. Using strong thread, make a 6" strand of beads in desired pattern, loop needle through opening of dropped stitch, and thread back through the beads and tie off. Knot a few strands of yarn around the same opening. Vary your pattern of beads for a more random design. Mix up your embellishments, with ribbon, beads, and yarn for your own individual look. Or simply make a yarn fringe.