

## Melon Stitch Scarf

*Materials:* 1 skein Brooks Farm kid mohair yarn - 8 oz = 500 yards

*Needles:* 6 (4.25 mm) or size needed to obtain gauge

*Gauge:* 5 sts and 7 rows = 1". The pattern makes a stretchy fabric so exact gauge is a bit tricky to measure. However, you should not knit this yarn more tightly than suggested gauge as the mohair yarn needs "breathing room" to maintain its soft and luxurious feel.

*Finished Measurements:* approximately 10" wide when blocked. Each ounce of fiber knits up to about 9" length with 50 sts on the needles.

### *Abbreviations:*

K = knit

K2tog = knit 2 together

ndl = needle

P = purl

yo = yarn over

Cast on 50 sts. Be careful not to cast on too tightly. If you tend to cast on tightly, use a larger size needle for casting on and then switch to pattern needles.

Knit 4 rows, then begin melon pattern.

### Melon Pattern (a multiple of 10 sts):

#### *Right side rows:*

Rows 1 and 3: Slip 1 purlwise, K9, \*yo, K2tog, K8; repeat from \* to end of row.

Row 5: Slip 1 purlwise, K1, \*stick point of right ndl purlwise into 4th st from tip of left ndl and bring it over the 3 sts nearest the tip of the ndl. Slip the 5th and 6th sts over the 3 sts in the same manner. The 3 sts with the loops slipped over them remain on the ndl until you work the next part of the pattern: yo, K1, yo, K2, yo, K2, yo, K2tog; repeat from \* to end of row, ending with yo, K2.

#### *Wrong Side rows:*

Rows 2, 4, 6: Slip 1 purlwise, K1, P6, \*K2, yo, K2tog, P6; repeat from \*, ending row with K2.

Repeat rows 1-6 of melon pattern until piece is desired length. Finish by working rows 1-4 of pattern and then knitting 4 rows. BO loosely.

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