

Neck Warmer

Your winter coat sometimes doesn't do it all. Now, keep the cold winter wind out.



Loom: 10" Knitting Board

Size : One size fits all. 5" X 30"

Stitch: CrissCross

Yarn: Lion Brand Wool Ease Chunky
1 skein (acrylic/wool blend)

Notions: Knit hook, crochet hook
(2) 1" buttons, and large sewing needle

Instructions

Cast On (22) stitches. Lay anchor yarn.

Criss Cross stitch consists of 2 weaving patterns:

Row 1=Start at needle #1 on back board and bring down to needle #4 on front board. Weave every other needle to end, turn around and return to cover all needles.

Row 2=Start at needle #1 on back board and bring down to needle #3 on front board. Weave to needle #2 on back board and bring down to needle #5 on front board. Weave every other needle to end, turn around and return by covering all needles.

Keep alternating these 2 rows for the CrissCross stitch.

Knit a total of 86 rows. Cut yarn with 2-3" tail.

Bind Off starting at end of board opposite the yarn tail using the crochet hook. Pick up 3 loops, alternating boards. Pull 1 loop (closest to hook) thru the other 2 loops. Continue by picking up another 2 loops, pulling 1 thru 2. When you have just 1 loop on the crochet hook, pull yarn tail thru loop for a knot. Tuck yarn tail into knitting between the layers of knit.

Bind Off at anchor yarn by slipping first 3 loops onto the crochet hook, starting at end opposite the yarn tail. Continue by pulling 1 loop thru 2 until you have only 1 loop remaining on the anchor yarn. Pull yarn tail thru the last loop and carefully remove the anchor yarn from knitting. Tuck yarn tail into the knitting.



Finishing

Lay the neck warmer around neck and decide which side you prefer to overlap the other. Place the 2 buttons at top short edge of scarf. Sew in place with sewing needle and single strand of yarn. Tie the yarn ends at back of scarf and tuck yarn tails into knitting. Mark the edge matching the button locations on other end of scarf on long edge. You will create button loops with a crochet chain.

Crochet Chain for Buttons

Use the crochet hook. Start at outer edge of scarf (long edge) about 1" from the location of first button. Insert crochet hook into the edge stitch. Do a single crochet loop and insert into next edge stitch. Do this for about 3 edge stitches. Start the button loop by doing a crochet chain (see photo of crochet chain) long enough to wrap up and around the first button. This will be approx 2.5" long. Skip 3 edge stitches on scarf edge and then, insert hook into the next edge stitch. Crochet over to the location of next button. Do the 2nd button loop. Crochet over on the scarf edge for about 1" and knot the yarn. Tuck the yarn tail into knitting.

