



Cascade Pure Alpaca Dropped Stitch Scarf



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When I worked in a yarn shop, customers frequently asked me if they could knit a scarf with just one skein of yarn. I would advise against it unless they wanted a very narrow or very short scarf. Good news! This soft, lacy scarf is over six feet long and six and a half inches wide and IT ONLY USES ONE SKEIN OF YARN.

Materials: 1 100 gram skein of Cascade Pure Alpaca yarn. Pictured scarf is color #3012. Size 7 29-36 inch circular needle **or size required to obtain gauge.**

Gauge: 16 stitches per 4 inches in garter stitch on smaller needle. **BE SURE TO CHECK GAUGE to obtain the desired length scarf!!**

Glossary:

K1B – Knit through the back loop of the stitch so it is twisted.

DIRECTIONS:

Cast on 180 sts, Pattern is a multiple of 9 sts plu 6, plus there is a 6-st border on each side.

Foundation row: K6, *K1B, K4, K1B, K3, repeat from * to last 3 sts, K3.

Pattern row: K6, *K1B, K2, YO, K2tog, K1B, K3, repeat from * to last 3 sts, K3.

Repeat pattern row (just the one row on both back and front, so pattern is reversible) until about 9 yards of yarn remain. Repeat foundation row.

Special bind off: K6, *BO 5, pull out last loop on right needle (st just knit) and pull the remaining yarn through the loop and tighten the st to the same tension as the bound off sts, K3, rep from * to last 3 sts, K3. The needle should now hold 6 sts on each end of the needle and 18 sets of 3 sts separated by bound off sections in between the 2 sets of 6. Pull all the stitches off the needle and unravel all of them all the way down to the cast on edge. The sets of 6 at the ends will form a looped fringe and the sets of 3 will form 2-inch long sections of ladders.

Weave in all ends.