

Green Honey Man-Scarf

Manly enough for a man, but sweet enough for a woman.



Yarn: 6 balls of Karabella Aurora 8, color shown is #12. Alternatively, use about 600 yards of aran weight yarn with many little plies.

Needles: US #8, 5.00 mm, straights; cable needle--I used a broken wooden dpn with the edges pared down with a knife.

Gauge: Not really vital.

Finished Measurements: About 7" across and 62" long, not counting fringe.

Story: I have a hard time finding and knitting things that the picky men I know will actually use. I'm sure we've all been there. So perhaps this easy pattern will save you a lot of heart-break and wasted energy.

Stitch Pattern

Row 1: Purl.

Row 2: *Slide 2 to cable needle and hold in **back**, k2, k2 from cable needle; slide 2 to cable needle and hold in **front**, k2, k2 from cable needle.* Repeat.

Row 3: Purl.

Row 4: *Slide 2 to cable needle and hold in **front**, k2, k2 from cable needle; slide 2 to cable needle and hold in **back**, k2, k2 from cable needle.* Repeat.

Pattern

Cast on 58 stitches. Purl the first row, then on the next row, knit the first five stitches, then begin on Row 2 of the stitch pattern. After six repeats, knit the last five stitches.

Purl the next row, Row 3 of the pattern stitch. Then, on the fourth row, purl the first five stitches to make that decorative ridge, which will also keep the sides from curling. Then do six repeats of Row 4, and end with purling the last five stitches for the left-hand ridge. Then do all four rows like this again and again!

Continue to work in this way until the whole scarf measures about 62" long. Bind off after Row 3, if you want, to make it match the other side.

To make the fringe, I found a book about 7.5" wide and wrapped the remaining yarn around it not too tightly. (The Aurora 8 is really spongy, so try to keep your wrapping tension reasonably constant.) I actually used [Knitting Vintage Socks](#), so if it's on your book shelf, it's your lucky day. Alternatively, get some card board and cut out a piece 7.5" wide. Then, carefully cut down one side of the book. (If you end up with too little, you can always make some more.)

You'll be putting in eight tassels, each made of 5 strands of the fringe you made.



This picture gives you a pretty good idea of reasonable places to put them--one on each of the edges, one each time the twist comes together, and one just after the five-stitch border. I mean, I'm kind of obsessive about these things, so feel free not to obsess yourself.

Fold five strands in half, and you can use a large crochet hook, around size M, to pull the loop through, and then pull one half of it all the way through. (Yarn needle, the tip of your straight needle, all work fine for this.) Then straighten the edges a little, and tie a nice tight knot near the top.

When you've tied all eight, I recommend trimming the ends a little with scissors, just to make them more even. You can tell from picture that while I blocked the scarf itself, I didn't block the fringe, so it'll take some time for it to calm down. So if you feel like fringing it and then blocking it, that would be good too.

Enjoy! And if you have any questions about the pattern, please email me at m.m.townsend@gmail.com.