

Roxana's Little Ruffles (scarf on 26 needles) or Potato Chip Scarf

Materials: suitable scarf yarn (Red Heart Celebration; purple/silver was fun), basic weight set with buckle, hooks for side weights (rug latch hooks with a pound weight added work well, or two heel forks); working tension spring.

Set-Up: all needles up out of work except 20 across front; set up in scrap yarn for a few rows.

1. Leave 12" tail for sewing bottom ruffles together when finished. Begin on left side of front. Knit to right; knit back to left.
2. Pull all needles up out of work except first 4. Knit to right on these 4. Knit back to left.
3. Push down next two needles. Knit to right on these 6. Knit back to left.
4. Push down next two needles. Knit to right on these 8. Knit back to left. (Continue keeping edge pulled down at sides.) Put all remaining needles back into work checking to be sure latches are open.
5. Knit to right. Push down all except leading 4 needles. Knit to left on these 4 and back to right.
6. Push down next two needles. Knit to left on these 6 and back to right.
7. Push down next two needles. Knit to left on these 8 and back to right.
8. Push down all needles being sure to check that latches are open. Knit to left.
9. Repeat steps 2 through 8 until item is suitable length. Knit off on scrap yarn leaving 12" tail for sewing.
10. Two possible finishes, depending on how you want to use your ruffled item.
 - A. Sew first row to final row and wind once or twice around your head like a necklace.
 - B. Fold end in half sewing raw stitches together so end is rounded. Repeat for other end. Scarf can then be draped straight, tied, or circled around the neck.

With yarns that will block, you might want to press or steam the ruffled portion so it will not curl so much toward the purl side.

You can make your item wider if you choose. Adjust ruffle sections proportionally. For example, if you use 34 needles, you might want to reverse at 6, 9, and 12 which would still leave the center portion 10 stitches wide.