

Knitting Essentials 102

Class Description and Materials List

Take the next steps in knitting - increases, decreases and more

Skill Level: Experienced Beginner.

Skills Taught in Class: Increases and decreases; alternate cast on and bind off; reading a pattern; and “reading” your knitting; choosing the right yarn for the right project.

Prerequisite Skills: Knit and purl and cast on.

Location/Date/Time: Yarn Expressions; 3 session class, Saturdays; **February 23rd, March 2nd and 9th** from 9am – 11am.

Fee: **\$65.00** plus materials. Tools and materials may be purchased when you register for the class or any time prior to the first class session. Registered students receive a **10 percent discount** on all class tools and materials. While the store will open a few minutes prior to each class session, please keep last minute purchases to a minimum so the class can start on time.

Instructor: Kirsten Muldoon

Description: Our class project is a bias knit scarf. You will knit a practice sampler to learn some increases and decreases commonly used in knitting and to practice following a pattern. We will discuss how to select yarn for your project and how to recognize common knitting mistakes and how to correct them before you have gone too far. This class will help increase your knitting skills and give you more confidence so you can move on to more complex projects.

Materials List: *(Pattern will be distributed at the first class meeting)*

Yarn: Approximately 300 yards of DK weight yarn. The pictured sample was knitted using Kraemer Yarns Tatamy Tweed. Other good yarns for this pattern include Allegoro, Firefly, Sanibel or Cotton Bamboo from Classic Elite Yarns, Kollage Riveting or Rowan Pure Life. All of the listed yarns, as well as others, are available at Yarn Expressions (This pattern may also be knitted using a worsted weight yarn; the needles will need to be sized up to achieve the soft draped character of the scarf shown.)

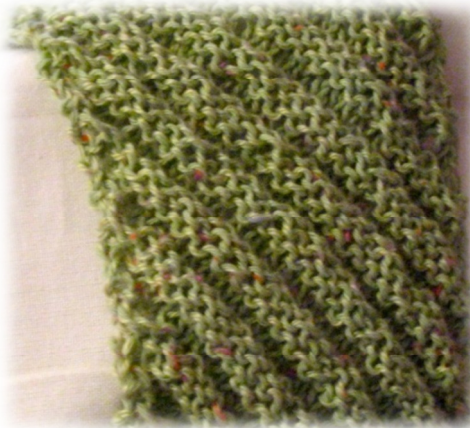


Needles: Size 8 circular or straight needles if using one of the recommended yarns.

Gauge: NA.

Tools: One removable stitch marker or safety pin. Scissors or snips, and pen & paper to take notes.

Homework: Prior to the first session, knit a swatch of 20 stitches and 20 rows; leave the stitches “live” on the needles. This swatch will be used not only to further knitting and purling skills, but also provide a place to learn increasing and decreasing stitches while following a pattern. The homework swatch will then be used to practice the scarf pattern so the student will have a model to refer to while completing his/her homework for session 2.



The homework swatch may be knitted using the yarn leftover from the Knitting 101 or any other leftover yarn, as long as the needles are the correct size for the yarn.

Yarn Expressions Class Policies

Class space is limited. To reserve your space, class fee must be paid in full.

All class fees are non-refundable! Please understand we are securing an instructor’s time and holding a place just for you.

We offer classes for all skill levels, but not every class is designed for every level. To ensure that everybody gets the most out of the class, please respect the skill requirements listed for each class. If you feel you need to brush up on your skills prior to the class or need extra help outside of class, please schedule a private lesson.

When classes are offered outside of regular store hours, the store will open 15 minutes before class starts.

Please be respectful of your fellow students and turn cell phones off during class.

To enable everyone to focus on the class, please do not bring children with you.

You will receive a 10% discount on any yarn purchased for a class. Please support your local yarn shop by using our yarns for your class project.