



Merry Christmas

The 12 Knits of Christmas: Week Five

Wool lovers of the world, unite!

Can you believe it--that it's been five weeks already? I'm starting a nice little display of gift knits here in the shop....and you? This week's pattern is very stylish and very easy. No yarnovers, no double pointed needles, no sewing involved. Perfect for beginners. When I knit this, I thought to myself, "*Really? Is that it? Am I cheating?*" Happily, the answer is no. It's just easy--and why on earth feel guilty about that?!? The showstopper with this pattern isn't even the yarn--it's the funky vintage rhinestone pin. Don't have access to your grandmother's jewelry box? Stop in to see the fabulous collection--making its debut specifically for this pattern!

Many, MANY of you have mentioned that you (or your husband--whoops!) have accidentally deleted the previous emails. Some of you have only just signed up for the newsletter (**welcome, friends!**) As of this writing, there are over 600 people that are on this email list, making it exceedingly difficult to resend individual email newsletters. **To make things easier, I've uploaded photos AND patterns to a photo album on my personal knitblog, [The Land of Wool and Honey](#). You can always view the album and its contents by going here. (You may want to bookmark this site so you'll always have the address handy.)**

Another tip for those of you who've got archaic printers like mine, or eyes that have a hard time seeing small print: instead of printing this email as you see it, **try copying and pasting the text into a Microsoft Word document**. That way, you can enlarge the font and change the color as you see fit. Life made easier.

If you've done this before, scroll down to reveal the pattern and yarn of the week. If you're new to the program, here's the deal: Every Thursday afternoon (or into the evening!), you'll receive a FREE pattern--either an Inish Knits original creation or from another clever online crafter--that we've deemed "do-able" within the course of a week. These patterns are super simple, and there's a reason. You've got kids. Sports. Dogs. You're working 40-plus hours a week. We want you to feel like you can actually get something done during these crazy weeks leading up to the holidays. (Sorry--there's nothing we can do about the 17 holiday concerts you've got on the list!)

And that's not all. The yarn that's featured in each week's project is available at **20% OFF for the entire week***, so the projects are as easy on your wallet as they are on your brain. With 12 full weeks ahead of us, if you try your best to keep up, you'll have a nice collection of gifts come December 25th.

Feel free, too, to pick and choose patterns that you like--you may find you like some more than others. Or, stick with one pattern and knit 12 of those. No rules here--just fun. It's yarn, remember?

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Holiday Scarflette

Need that little extra something to jazz up your outfit? Not enough time (or yardage!) for a full-length scarf? Here comes a scarflette to your rescue! If you've got 100 yds, a few hours and a favorite decorative pin, you've got an instant accessory. This one is knit in a broken rib pattern, but try it with garter stitch or seed stitch, too!

Yarn: Debbie Bliss Prima (80% bamboo, 20% wool--109 yds, 50 g) **One**

skein.

Gauge: 5 sts/in on US 6 needle.

(While I'm usually a stickler for gauge, this is one case in which I'd forgo the swatch--it's a scarf, fer cryin' out loud!)

Pattern:

Cast on 21 sts.

Row 1: Knit all sts.

Row 2: *P1, K1; repeat from * to the last stitch, P1.

Repeat rows 1 & 2 until piece measures 20 inches in length, ending with Row 2. Bind off all sts. Weave in ends & enjoy! (Adjust length if necessary--you've got plenty of yardage to make the scarflette longer, if desired.)

Best,

Melissa

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