Serving up Stripes!

Loom Knit Table Runner



Decorate your table with festive flair!

This classic table runner can be used in a variety of ways: an everyday splash of color, an addition to your holiday decorating, or loomed in your favorite alma mater's colors to show your school spirit!

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Finished Length:

Approximately 50" from tip to tip, not including tassels.

Row Gauge:

Approx. 3.5 rows per inch.

Needed:

- Large gauge knitting board with at least 24 peg pairs: 50 peg green long loom by Knifty Knitter used in sample.
- ❖(Main Color: MC) #4 Worsted Weight yarn: approx. 1 skein of Red Heart Super Saver *in burgandy* used in sample; 100% acrylic, 160 yards per skein.
- ♦ (Contrast Color: CC) #4 Worsted Weight yarn: approx. 1/3 skein Red Heart Super Saver *in white* used in sample, 100% acrylic, 160 yards per skein.
- Loom tool, crochet hook, tapestry needle.

Notes:

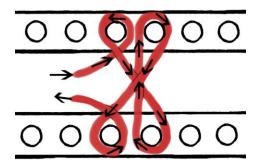
- *Techniques used: Double Knit E-Wrap CO, Double Knit Stockinette, Half Hitch, increasing/decreasing, tassel making, single crochet/blanket stitch.
- This pattern uses one strand of yarn held throughout

Pattern & Instructions Key		
Working Yarn (yarn connected to skein)	WY	
Double Knit (method of knitting in which		
both sides of the loom are wrapped and knit		
simultaneously to create a double sided knitted		
piece. This also creates a piece that is twice as		
thick as that of single knitting: using just one side		
of a loom.)		
E-Wrap Knit (method of knitting by	EW	
wrapping each peg with WY while keeping		
connecting lines to the inside of loom.)		
Knit Off (lift bottom loop over top loop and off	KO	
the peg to the inside of the loom)		
U-Stitch (method of knitting in which the knit	Ust	
sts are created by partially wrapping the WY		
around the peg and holding it to the inside of the		
loom in the shape of a "U" around the front of the		
peg. The base loop is then KO. *see pic below.)		
Half Hitch (method of adding loops to the	HH	
sides of your knitting which eliminates a loopy CO.		
Create a HH by twisting the WY in your fingers in		
the opposite direction as an EW and place it on		
the newly added peg, so that WY is travelling		
under the wrap on the peg (not over, as is usual))		
Stitches	Sts	
Bind Off (basic method, FYI;): beginning with	ВО	
the end next to WY, knit pegs 1 & 2. Move the loop		
from peg 2 to peg 1, KO. Move the loop from peg 1		
to peg 2. Knit peg 3. Move the loop from peg 3 to		
peg 2, KO. Move the loop from peg 2 back to peg		
3cont. till the WY is trimmed and pulled thru		
last loop. Cinch to secure.)		

Step by Steps

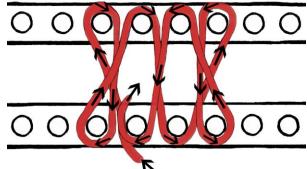
♦ Starting with a point ~

Using one strand of MC, DK EW CO onto the center 2 peg pairs of the loom, using the following diagram:



Following the direction of the arrows, wrap these 4 pegs again, so that there are 2 loops on each peg. KO each peg.

Add one peg pair to each side of the original sts using the Half Hitch (*see photo below & pattern key). The new pegs will be wrapped as in the first CO sts, but the center pegs will be wrapped as a DK Stockinette Stitch. Follow the arrows in the diagram below for the first increase row:

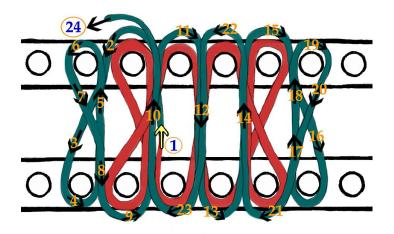


KO all but newly wrapped pegs.

Wrap the pegs again and KO all of them, including the newly added pegs, for a total of 2 rows using this increased number.

(Half Hitch)

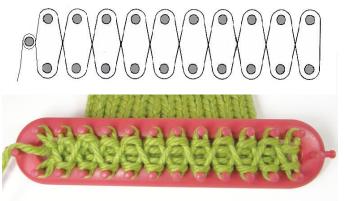
Repeat from until all 24 peg pairs have been added. The following increase rows will be wrapped as detailed in the next diagram. The green marks the newly wrapped row. Begin at the yellow arrow and follow in the numbered order:



*Note: on the first peg wrapped for these increasing rows, you'll end up with 3 loops after making your way around the pegs for the row: the base loop (shown in red), the first wrap of the new row (next to the #2), and the last wrap of the new row (at #24). KO 1 over 2 for the first row. On the second time this number of pegs is wrapped, this peg will be KO 2 over 1.

❖Serving up stripes~

Once all 24 peg pairs have been added to the knitting, you will be using regular DK Stockinette, as in the photos below (see next column for knitting instructions):



Continuing with MC yarn, DK Stockinette for 4" (in sample this equaled 14 rows). Set aside MC.

Using one strand of CC yarn, DK Stockinette for 3 rows. Set aside CC.

Carry the strand of MC yarn which was previously set aside up the outside of the CC stripe. DK Stockinette for 2 rows. Trim MC.

Carry the strand of CC yarn previously set aside up the outside of the MC stripe. DK Stockinette for 6 rows. Set aside CC.

Using one strand of MC yarn, DK Stockinette for 2 rows. Set aside MC.

Carry the strand of CC yarn previously set aside up the outside of the MC stripe. DK Stockinette for 3 rows. Trim CC.

♦ Main Body~

Carry the strand of MC yarn which was previously set aside up the outside of the CC stripe.

DK Stockinette for the amount of rows that you require for the length desired. The sample used 77 rows for approx. 22

inches. The following is to help you decide which is best for you:

Point:	Main	Point:	Total:
14"	Body:	14"	50"
	22"		

These are based on the sample's measurements. Just measure the number of rows per inch you've achieved up to this point to be able to determine what length your Main Body should be.

Set aside MC.

Repeat the instructions from "Serving up Stripes" on the previous page, between the and for the second set of stripes.

Carry the strand of MC yarn which was previously set aside up the outside of the CC stripe. DK Stockinette for 4" (in sample this equaled 14 rows).

Ending with another point ~

To create the second point, you will be decreasing in the same manner as you increased while making the first point: 2 peg pairs decreased at every other knit row.

Decreasing is done in the following manner:

- Lift the loops of the peg pairs that are just one peg over *toward the knitting* from the outside peg pairs.
- Move the loops from the outside peg pairs over to the now empty pegs.
- Replace the held loops so that they are now over the newly placed end loops.
- Wrap the row using DK Stockinette. On the outside peg pairs, KO 2 over 1.

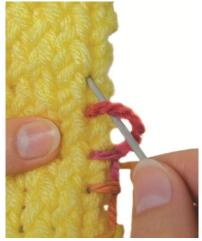
When you have decreased down to the original 2 peg pairs (4 pegs total), move the outside loops (those on the side of the loom farthest away from you) across the loom and onto the pegs of the loops closest to you.

Trim your yarn and thread the tail through the 2 loops on each peg. Cinch so that this point closely matches the first point and knot.

❖Finishing~

You may decide that you'd like to complete your table runner by giving a decorative trim to the entire outside edge. If you have any loose end stitches, this is a great way to even those out.

The sample uses a single crochet stitch, but you could also use a blanket stitch:



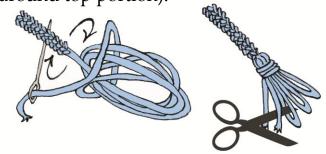
A contrasting color for these stitches would be a snappy way to add some extra style as well!



Weave in all tails and trim close to work. Block lightly as needed.

You can create tassels by adding yarn lengths of in numbers divisible by 3, pulled through the points, centered and then braided down the length. Leave at least one strand uncut and connected to your skein to create the tassel loops!

A tassel can then be formed as in this illustration (make sure to sew through all the loops of yarn before wrapping around top portion):



I've always
loved the
versatility of
this project!
You could use
this basic layout
to create all
kinds of designs
to make this a
perfect accent
for any
occasion. Add



some pumpkins for Fall/Halloween or some snowflakes, holly or presents for Winter/Christmas. The options are truly endless!

❖ Enjoy!

***I'd love to feature a picture or two of your completed Serving Up Stripes, Table Runner on the Clique Pics page of gettinitpegged.com! Send your pics and any questions or comments to: Bethany@GettinItPegged.com