A Simple Ripple Scarf Recipe by Juju Vail For Loopknitting.com

Ripple stitches are a great way to use hand-paint yarns of all weights ~ their naturally undulating stitches make simple stripes look more complicated than they are.

Consult a stitch dictionary for many more ripple and chevron possibilities.

This scarf is worked in two colours, changing every second row, but you may use an infinite number of yarns ~ perfect for stash busting those sock left-overs ~ or try just one fabulous multi-coloured yarn.

Three edge stitches are worked as garter stitches, on each side so that the scarf borders won't curl. You could widen this edge to six or more stitches or change it to another non-curling pattern such as seed stitch.

The scarf in the photo is made with Koigu, KPPPM: one skein each of colours p100 and p214. Some other Loop yarn ideas include:

- Colinette Jitterbug
- Misti Alpaca Hand Paint Sock Yarn
- Madelinetosh Sock
- Malabrigo Sock
- Koigu Painter's Palette Premium Merino (KPPPM)

Use just one brand or combine several!

Use whichever needle size feels comfortable for your yarn choice. For a sock weight yarn, I recommend 3-4mm needles. You are aiming for a looser gauge than you would use to make socks.

The scarf can be widened by increments of 18sts by adding extra repeats of the pattern (outlined in red on the graph).

Cast on 42sts with first colour.

Knit four rows with (two garter stitch ridges). Change to second colour and begin ripple stitch pattern, follow either the chart or the written instructions as follows:

Row 1:   Second colour: Slip wyif, k2, (k2tog) 3 times, (kfb) 6 times, *(k2tog) 6 times, (kfb) 6 times*, repeat **, k2tog 3 times, k3

Row 2:   Slip wyif, k2, p36, k3

Row 3:   Change to first colour ~ slip wyif, k41

Row 4:   Slip wyif, k2, p36, k3

Repeat these 4 rows for the length of the scarf (until your are almost out of yarn).

Finish scarf with 4 rows of knitting (two garter stitch ridges) in the first colour.

Cast off loosely.

Weave in ends and block scarf.

Abbreviations

Abbreviation	Symbol
K ~ knit	□
K2tog ~ knit 2 together	☑
Sl wyif ~ Slip stitch as if to purl, holding yarn in the front	☑
P ~ purl	⊟
Kfb ~ Increase by knitting in the front and back of the stitch	☑
St(s) ~ stitch(es)	
Rw(s) ~ row(s)	