

TRAVELLING ROSES LACE SCARF

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This elegant lace pattern is a slight variation of “Rose Trellis Lace” from Barbara Walker’s *A Treasury of Knitting Patterns*. It is best worked from the chart instead of from written instructions.

The scarf was originally created for my International Scarf Exchange pal while I was travelling, hence the name. It proved to be a great travel project – small, lightweight and interesting enough to keep my mind occupied on long flights and during many hours in airports. This pattern never got boring! I hope you enjoy it as much as I did.



Finished Measurements

7 inches wide x 43 inches long, before blocking
8 inches wide x 66 inches long, after blocking

Materials

Misti Alpaca Lace Weight (100% baby alpaca, 400m per 50g skein); colour: Red # 0588, 1 skein

1 set 2.5mm needles (I used Knitpicks US 1 needles, which are 2.5mm. If you don't have 2.5mm needles, use 2.25mm (a standard US 1) or 2.75mm (a standard US 2))

Tapestry needle

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Gauge

Gauge is not crucial. I had a gauge of 24 st and 40 rows over 10cm (4 inches) in stockinette stitch, unblocked.

Abbreviations

K: knit

yo: yarn over

ssk: slip 2 stitches knitwise (individually), knit those 2 stitches together

k2tog: knit 2 together

sl 1 – k2tog – pssso: slip 1 knitwise, knit 2 together, pass slipped stitch over

k3tog: knit 3 together

Pattern

Cast on 51 stitches **loosely**

Work 6 rows in garter stitch (knit every row)

Begin lace pattern as follows:

Read the chart from bottom to top, and from right to left. Even-numbered rows are not shown on the chart and all charted stitches should be purled. The lace pattern is framed by a border of 4 garter stitches on each side. These stitches are not shown on the chart and must be added as follows: On odd-numbered (right-side) rows: K4, work the 43 charted stitches, K4. On even-numbered (wrong-side) rows: K4, P43, K4

Repeat rows 1-44 of the chart until you have 13 repeats.

Work 6 rows garter stitch (knit every row)

Bind off all stitches **loosely**.

Finishing

Weave in all ends. Block. As with all lace patterns, blocking is required for the pattern to blossom.

