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HeartStrings FiberArts is dedicated to advancing the art of knitting through innovative designs based on tradition in updated techniques.

HeartStrings Pattern: H66 - 9342

Links of Diamonds Scarf

This scarf has a beautiful shaped edge, undulating in and out around hexagonal clusters like Spanish medallions linked together. For added glamor, incorporate glass beads as I did, or omit them if you prefer.



Links of Diamonds is the latest design in the series "It's an Upside-Down World: directional stitches in lace". Lovers of scarves where both ends match will delight in the attention to design and technical details of this scarf.
 "Fool the eye" horizontal symmetry allows this scarf to be knit from end to end in one piece. Particular attention is also given to the cast on, bind off, and treatment of edge stitches to achieve the look of a continuous chain edging all around.

Shown in Windy Valley Merino, color # 7006; Miyuki seed beads, color 6-257 Dark Transparent AB

Size Planned measurements after light blocking are an overall length of 62" and a width varying between 9" and 12".

Yarn, Beads and Needles
 425 yards lace weight or light weight fingering yarn.
 US 5 (3.75 mm) circular needle or size you need to obtain gauge.

Gauge 21 stitches and 28 rows = 4 inches in lace stitch pattern after light blocking.

Optional —
 111 size 6/0 (4 mm diameter) glass seed beads, approximately 10g.
 Crochet hook that is small enough to go through holes in beads.

Skill Level Intermediate. Both charted and line-by-line written stitch instructions are provided in the pattern.

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HeartStrings Pattern: S33 - 9310

GLITZ AND BEADS SOCKS

The sparkle of metallic thread and shiny beads in Glitz and Beads Socks is sure to make your feet happy and feel like dancing.

The beaded pattern echos the rhythmic sound waves of pulsing music to which we can imagine ourselves tapping in musical cadence.

And there are plenty of features in these socks to make your feet and knitting needles sing!

Note the nice attention to design details at cuff, ankle and instep where the ribbing flows into and out of the wavelike beaded pattern.

"Keyboard" ribbing at cuff and ankle provides a firm, yet flexible fit.

The heel flap flows from the ankle ribbing in a slipped stitch design that gives extra cushion and durability.

Left and right swirl toes fit well on your feet and are easy to make, (no grafting!).



These socks feature Kreinik Metallic Fashion Twist machine embroidery thread made of 100% polyester with a laminate of silver.

This thread is a perfect complement to socks because it is anti-microbial, making it resistant to fungus. Most metallics can tend to be stiff and scratchy, but this one is absolutely not.

Along with the softness, there is just enough body in the thread to add firmness to the knitted stitches, thereby supporting the weight of the glass beads with ease.

Skill Level Advanced beginner. Pattern stitches are provided in both charted format and written line-by-line instructions.

Materials and Supplies
 265 (300, 375) yards each of fingering weight yarn and metallic machine embroidery thread or other carry-along thread

Note: yarn and thread are held together and worked as one throughout the sock

Size 1 vs / 2.25 mm knitting needles, or size needed to obtain planned gauge; your choice of double point or circular needle(s)

758 (866, 974) size 8/0 (3 mm diameter) glass seed beads, approximately 20 (22.5, 25) g

Bead stringing needle

Pictured in size medium made with —
 Lorna's Lace Shepherd Sock yarn color 3ns Grapevine;
 Kreinik Fashion Twist color 1160 Fuchsia;
 Miyuki beads 8-356 Purple-lined Amethyst AB

Sizing
 Instructions for size Adult Small are followed by Medium and Large in (,) parentheses. If nothing is given in parentheses, the instruction applies to all sizes. Planned finished measurements are —

Sock foot circumference: 7 1/2 (8 1/2, 9 1/2); choose the size that gives you a moderately snug fit

Edge of cuff to top of heel flap: 6 (6 1/2, 7 1/2)

Sock foot length: 9 (10, 11 1/2)

Consider more yarn if making adjustments to planned sizes.

Gauge
 21 stitches per 4 inches over stockinette stitch with yarn and thread held together and knitted as one

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HeartStrings Pattern: H67 - 0006

White Lotus Stole

White Lotus features lovely scintillating organic forms enhanced by beaded nups. The lotus flowers are framed by the bobble-like texture of the nups, and the beads appear as dew drops on the flowers.



Shown in Colinton Australian Angoras Ultrafine Laceweight Kid Mohair; Miyuki seed beads, color 6-131S Silver-lined Crystal

The scallops along the edges naturally form from the heavily-biasing nature of the stitch pattern.

The shape of this stole is a cross between a rectangle and a triangle, thus providing both an interesting project to knit as well as to wear.

Size Finished blocked measurements: 72" (183 cm) width at top edge and 30" (76 cm) width at bottom edge; length of 22" (56 cm)

Yarn, Beads and Needles
 Finished: US 4 (suggest circular needle as there will be many sts)

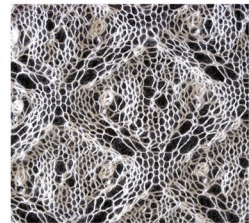
1000 yards (914 m) lace weight or light weight fingering yarn.
 Knitting needles US 4 (3.5 mm) or size you need to obtain gauge; a circular needle is suggested as there will be many stitches in a row.

Gauge 24 stitches and 32 rows = 4" (10 cm) in lace stitch pattern after blocking.

US 8 (5 mm) knitting needle; only one needed for binding off.

404 size 6/0 (4 mm diameter) glass seed beads, approximately 35 g.

Crochet hook that is small enough to insert into holes in the beads.



Skill Level Experienced or adventures intermediate. Good control over tension is required for making uniform nups. The pattern stitch is heavily biased and requires confident skills in severe blocking. A test sample is suggested to assure your completed project will be the look you want. Both charted and line-by-line written instructions are provided.

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