Pink Scarves

Ten knitting patterns to honor Breast Cancer Awareness Month, October 2010
Statistics.

Sometimes we feel like just numbers. But in the case of a breast cancer diagnosis (not to mention other diseases being measured), they mean real people, in real health-crisis situations. Our small company is primarily staffed by women. Statistically the odds were not in our favor, and sure enough, Classic Elite has been touched – more than once – by breast cancer (1 in 8 women will face a breast cancer diagnosis in her life). In fact, it’s safe to say that everyone at our company has been touched – whether it be a sister, daughter, aunt, mother, cousin, friend or co-worker.

As homage to anyone who has faced this disease, and to the hundreds of thousands we don’t personally know, we came together for our own little pink scarf project. Ten scarves or scarf-like pieces were designed and knit by the staff at Classic Elite. I hope you enjoy these patterns, but most importantly, we want you to remember those touched by breast cancer, and if you are able, to reach out to your favorite worthy charity. A cure is a wonderful thing. But even more wonderful would be if no one would have to worry about breast cancer affecting her life. Ever.
Reversible Rose Scarf

designed by
Cheryl Tan

The Pattern

Skill Level: Intermediate

SIZES: One size

Finished Measurements: 6” wide and 38” long, blocked

MATERIALS:

Wool Bam Boo by Classic Elite
(50% wool, 50% bamboo; 50 gram ball = approx 118 yards)
• 2 balls 1689 Watermelon

Needles:
• One pair size US 6 (4 mm)
Or size to obtain gauge
• Waste yarn

GAUGE: 25 sts and 30 rows = 4” in Four Row Rib Pattern, slightly stretched. Take time to save time, check your gauge.

ABBREVIATIONS:

approx: approximately
beg: begin(ing)
BO: bind off
CO: cast on
k: knit
meas: measures
p: purl
pc: piece
rep: repeat
st(s): stitch(es)

SPECIAL TERMS:

K1-f/b: knit into the front loop, then the back loop of next st (1 st increased)
P1-f/b: purl into the front loop, then the back loop of next st (1 st increased)

PATTERN STITCHES:

Provisional Cast-on Method: See tutorial on the Classic Elite website: www.classicelteyarns.com/WebLetter/Stitches/ProvCO/ProvCO.php

Four Row Rib Pattern: (multiple of 4 sts +2; 4 rows)
Row 1: (RS) K2, *p2, k2; rep from *.
Row 2: (WS) P2, *k2, p2; rep from *.
Rows 3 and 4: rep row 1.
Rep rows 1 – 4 for Four Row Rib Pattern.

Ruffle Pattern:
Row 1: (RS) *K1-f/b; rep from *.
Row 2: (WS) Purl.
Row 3: *P1-f/b; rep from *.
Row 4: Knit.
Work Rows 1 – 4 for Ruffle Pattern.

NOTE: You will need to use your swatch to complete the scarf.

SCARF

With waste yarn and Provisional Cast-on Method, CO 38 sts. Work Four Row Rib Pattern until pc meas approx 34” from beg, ending after WS Row 4. Change to Ruffle Pattern and work 4 rows – 152 sts. BO all sts purlwise. Remove waste yarn from CO edge and transfer live sts to needle preparing to work a RS row. Work 4 rows in Ruffle Pattern – 152 sts. BO all sts purlwise.

FINISHING

Block pc to measurements.
October Cowl
designed by
Betsy Perry

The Pattern
Skill Level: Intermediate

SIZES: One size
Finished Measurements: 24” around and 7” tall, blocked

MATERIALS:
Waterlily by Classic Elite (100% extrafine merino; 50 gram ball = approx 90 yards)
• 2 balls 1919 Petunia
Needles
• One 24” circular US 9 (5.5 mm)
Or size to obtain gauge
• Removable stitch marker

GAUGE: 18 sts and 24 rows = 4” in Eyelet Herringbone Pattern.
Take time to save time, check your gauge.

ABBREVIATIONS:
beg: beginning
BO: bind off
CO: cast on
k: knit
LH: left hand
p: purl
RH: right hand
rnd: round
st(s): stitch(es)

SPECIAL TERMS:
k2tog: Knit 2 sts together (1 st decreased)
RT: Insert right needle into 2nd stitch on LH needle; knit but do not remove stitch from LH needle; insert RH needle into 1st stitch on LH needle and knit it. Slide both worked sts off LH needle.
yo: yarn over (1 st increased)

PATTERN STITCHES:
Circular Garter St (Gtr st):
Rnd 1: Purl.
Rnd 2: Knit.
Repeat rnds 1 and 2 for Gtr St.

Eyelet Herringbone: (multiple of 9 sts, 12 rnds)
(also see chart)
Rnd 1 and all odd numbered rnds: *P2, k7; rep from *.
Rnd 2: *P2, RT twice, k2tog, yo, k1; rep from *.
Rnd 4: *P2, k1, RT, k2tog, yo, RT; rep from *.
Rnd 6: *P2, RT, k2tog, yo, RT, k1; rep from *.
Rnd 8: *P2, k1, k2tog, yo, RT twice; rep from *.
Rnd 10: *P2, k2tog, yo, RT twice, k2; rep from *.
Rnd 12: *P2, k1, RT three times; rep from *
Repeat rnds 1–12 for Eyelet Herringbone pattern.

COWL
Using cable cast-on method, CO 108 sts. Join to begin working in-the-rnd, being careful not to twist sts. Place marker for beg-of-rnd. Work in Gtr St for 3 rnds. Begin Eyelet Herringbone pattern. After working three full repeats of pattern, switch to Gtr St and work three rnds. BO all sts loosely.

FINISHING
Weave in ends and block piece to measurements.
Porcupine Scarf
designed by Andi Clark

The Pattern
Skill Level: Intermediate
SIZES: One size
Finished Measurements: 8” wide and 54” long, blocked

MATERIALS:
Silky Alpaca Lace by Classic Elite
(70% alpaca, 30% silk; 50 gram ball = approx 440 yards)
• 2 balls 2425 Rosa Rugosa

Needles:
• One pair size US 10 ½ (6.5 mm)
Or size to obtain gauge.

GAUGE: 16 sts and 22 rows = 4” in Stockinette Stitch with two strands of yarn held together, before blocking. Take time to save time, check your gauge.

ABBREVIATIONS:
BO: bind off
CO: cast on
k: knit
LH: left hand
p: purl
pc: piece
rem: remain
rep: repeat
RH: right hand
st(s): stitch(es)

SPECIAL TERMS:
k2tog: knit 2 sts together (1 st decreased)
p3tog: pur3 3 sts together (2 sts decreased)
sk2p: slip 1 st knitwise, from the LH needle to the RH needle, k2tog, pass slipped st over knit st created by k2tog (2 sts decreased)
yo: yarn over (1 st increased)

PATTERN STITCH:
Reversible Lace Pattern: (multiple of 12 sts + 4)
(also see chart)
Row 1: (RS) K2 *yo, k2tog; rep from * to last 2 sts, k2.
Rows 2 and 4: (WS) K2, purl to last 2 sts, k2.
Row 3: Knit.
Rows 5 and 8: K2, *sk2p, k4, yo, k1, yo, k4; rep from * to last 2 sts, k2.
Rows 6, 7 and 9: K2, *p3tog, p4, yo, p1, yo, p4; rep from * to last 2 sts, k2.
Rep rows 1 – 9 for Reversible Lace Pattern.

NOTE:
The chart shows two 9-row repeats of the Reversible Lace Pattern; rows 1 – 9 begin and end on the RS; rows 10 – 18 begin and end on the WS.

SCARF
With 2 strands of yarn held together, CO 28 sts. Begin Reversible Lace Pattern; work even until a total of 21 reps of the written patt have been completed or if working from chart, work chart Rows 1 – 18 a total of 10 times then work Rows 1 – 9 once. BO all sts loosely knitwise.

FINISHING
Block pc to measurements.
Catskills Magnolia Scarf
designed by
Heather McVickar

The Pattern
Skill Level: Intermediate

SIZES: One size
Finished Measurements: 4½” wide and 52” long, unstretched

MATERIALS:
Magnolia by Classic Elite (70% merino, 30% silk; 50 gram ball = approx 120 yards)
• 2 balls 5405 Rose
Needles:
• One pair size US 7 (4.5 mm)
Or size to obtain gauge.

GAUGE: 24 sts and 30 rows in Lace Pattern = 4½” wide and 4¼” long. Take time to save time, check your gauge.

ABBREVIATIONS:
BO: bind off
CO: cast on
LH: left hand
rem: remain
RH: right hand
RS: right side
st(s): stitch(es)
WS: wrong side

SPECIAL TERMS:
k2tog: Knit 2 sts together (1 st decreased).
p2tog: Purl 2 sts together (1 st decreased).
p3tog: Purl 3 sts together (2 sts decreased).
ssk: (slip, slip, knit) Slip 2 sts, 1 at a time, knitwise to the RH needle; return sts to LH needle in turned position and knit them together through the back loops (1 st decreased).
yo: Yarn over (1 st increased).

NOTE: You will need to use swatch to complete scarf.

PATTERN STITCH:
Lace Pattern: (multiple of 24 sts + 17)
See chart.

SCARF
With WS facing BO all sts loosely purwise.

FINISHING
Block pc to measurements.
Lace Pattern Chart
(multiple of 24 + 17 sts, 30 rows)

- knit on RS, purl on WS
- purl on RS, knit on WS
- ssk
- k2tog
- p2tog
- p3tog (see Special Terms)
- yarn over
- pattern repeat
Make A Difference Scarf
designed by
Tonia Barry

The Pattern

Skill Level: Intermediate

SIZES: One size
Finished Measurements: 7½” wide and 74” long (or desired length) blocked.

MATERIALS:
Fresco by Classic Elite (60% wool, 30% baby alpaca, 10% angora; 50 gram hank = approx 164 y)
• 3 hanks 5371 Max Factor Pink

Needles:
• One pair size US 4 (3.5 mm)
Or size to obtain gauge

GAUGE: 24 sts and 28 rows = 4” in Chart B blocked. Take time to save time, check your gauge.

ABBREVIATIONS:

beg: begin(ing)
BO: bind off
CO: cast on
k: knit
LH: left hand
meas: measure(s)
p: purl
pc: piece
rep: repeat
RH: right hand
RS: right side
st(s): stitch(es)
tbl: through back loop
WS: wrong side

SPECIAL TERMS:

k2tog: Knit 2 sts together (1 st decreased)
sk: (slip, slip, knit) Slip 2 sts, 1 at a time, knitwise to the RH needle; return sts to LH needle in turned position and knit them together through the back loops (1 st decreased)
yo: yarn over (1 st increased)

PATTERN STITCHES:

Chart A: (multiple of 10 sts + 8)  
(also, see chart)
Row 1: (RS) K2tog, yo twice, ssk, * k2tog, yo twice, ssk, k2, k2tog, yo twice, ssk; rep from * to last 4 sts, k2tog, yo twice, ssk.
Row 2: P2, k1, p1* p2, k1, p5, k1, p1; rep from * to last 4 sts, p2, k1, p1. 
Rep rows 1 - 2 for Chart A.

Chart B: (multiple of 10 sts + 16)  
(also, see chart)
Row 1: (RS) K2tog, yo, k3, *k5, k2tog, k1, yo, k2; rep from * to last 11 sts, k5, k2tog, k1, yo, k1, yo, ssk.
Row 2 and all WS rows: Purl.
Row 3: K2tog, (yo, k1) twice, *ssk, k3, k2tog, (k1, yo) twice, k1; rep from * to last 11 sts, ssk, k3, k2tog, k1, yo, k2, yo, ssk.
Row 5: K2tog, yo, k2, yo, *k1, ssk, k7; rep from * to last 11 sts, k1, ssk, k7, yo, ssk.
Row 7: K2tog, yo, k3, *yo, k1, yo, k1, ssk, k7; rep from * to last 11 sts, yo, k1, ssk, k6, yo, ssk.
Row 9: K2tog, yo, k3, *k1, yo, k1, ssk, k6; rep from * to last 11 sts, k1, yo, k1, ssk, k5, yo, ssk.
Row 11: K2tog, yo, k1, k2tog, k1, *(yo, k1) twice, ssk, k3, k2tog, k1; rep from * to last 11 sts, (yo, k1) twice, ssk, k4, yo, ssk.
Rows 13 and 15: K2tog, yo, k3, *yo, k7, k2tog, k1; rep from * to last 11 sts, yo, k6, k2tog, k1, yo, ssk.
Row 16: Purl.
Rep rows 1 – 16 for Chart B.
SCARF
CO 48 sts. (RS) Work Rows 1 - 2 of Chart A 20 times. Transition Row (RS): K1, k2tog, k8, (k2tog, k1, yo, k7) 3 times, k2tog, k1, yo, k1, k2tog, k1 - 46 sts. Change to Chart B: (WS) Work Rows 2 – 16 of Chart B once, then rep Rows 1 – 16 of Chart B until pc meas approx 60” from beg, ending after WS Row 16. Transition Row (RS): K2tog, yo twice, k1, * k2tog, yo twice, ssk, k2, k2tog, yo twice, ssk; rep from * to last 3 sts, k1, yo twice, ssk – 48 sts. (WS) Change to Chart A: Work Row 2, then rep Rows 1 - 2 of Chart A 19 times. BO all sts as follows: K1, *k1 return the 2 sts back to LH needle, k2tog tbl, rep from * across.

FINISHING
Block pc to measurements.

Let’s Hear It For The Boys.*

We got some feedback after our initial pink scarf release about male breast cancer awareness, and this week are devoting our attention to the men who suffer and have suffered from this disease. According to the National Cancer Institute, 1,970 men will be diagnosed with breast cancer this year, and 390 others will lose their lives to it.

Our focus in October, like so many other organizations, from Dannon Yogurt to the National Football League, is on women and breast cancer, partly because it is personal for us.

Though our scarves are pink, we encourage supporters to knit them in a rainbow of colors. Many of these scarves are adaptable to male or female wearers—and when you knit one with your favorite guy in mind, remember the male breast cancer victims who have endured in the shadow of their female counterparts.

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Sancelia Scarf  
designed by  
Judy Croucher

The Pattern  
Skill Level: Easy  
Finished Meas: 9” wide, 80” long

MATERIALS:  
Alpaca Sox by Classic Elite (60% alpaca, 20% merino, 20% nylon;  
100 gram hank = approx 450 y)  
• 2 hanks 1819 Cherry Blossom  
Needles:  
• One pair size US 8 (5 mm)  
Or size to obtain gauge  
• Removable marker

GAUGE: 19 sts and 38 rows = 4” in Garter Stitch. Although exact  
gauge is not critical, you may  
require more yarn if your gauge  
is different. Take time to save  
time, check your gauge.

ABBREVIATIONS:

beg: begin(ning)  
BO: bind off  
CO: cast on  
dec(‘d): decrease(d)  
inc(‘d): increase(d)  
LH: left hand  
k: knit  
pc: piece  
rem: remain  
rep: repeat  
RH: right hand  
RS: right side  
st(s): stitch(es)  
WS: wrong side

SPECIAL TERMS:  
K1-b/r: Slightly twist work on  
LH needle towards you so that  
opposite side of work is visible.  
Insert needle from top down into  
next st on LH needle one row  
below. Knit this st then knit st on  
LH needle (1 st increased).  
ssk: (slip, slip, knit) Slip 2 sts, 1 at  
a time, knitwise to the RH needle;  
return sts to LH needle in turned  
position and knit them together  
through the back loops (1 st  
decreased).

PATTERN STITCH:  
Garter Stitch (Gtr st): K all sts, every row.

NOTE: To keep track of which side is the RS, place a removable marker on  
the RS of the scarf. Move marker up as piece gets longer.

SCARF  
CO 3 sts. (WS) Work 1 row even in Gtr st. Shape Scarf, Inc row: (RS) K1, k1-  
b/r, work in Gtr st to end – 1 st inc’d. Rep inc row every row 60 more times,  
ending after a RS row – 64 sts. Dec row: (WS) K1, ssk, work in Gtr st to end  
– 1 st dec’d. Inc row: (RS) K1, k1-b/r, work in Gtr st to end – 1 st inc’d. Rep  
previous 2 rows until piece measures 80” along longer edge, ending after  
a RS row. Then work dec row every row 61 times, ending after a WS row - 3  
sts rem. BO all sts knitwise.

FINISHING  
Block pc to measurements.
Pattie Scarf
designed by
Pattie Morris

The Pattern

Skill Level: Beginner
Finished Measurements: 5½” wide and 62” long

MATERIALS:
La Gran by Classic Elite (78.4% mohair, 17.3% wool, 4.3% nylon; 50 gram ball = approx 106 yards)
• 2 balls 6571 Julia’s Pink
Needles:
• One pair size US 11 (8 mm)
Or size to obtain gauge

GAUGE: 17½ sts and 16 rows = 4” in 3 x 3 Rib lightly stretched. Take time to save time, check your gauge.

ABBREVIATIONS:
beg: beginning
BO: bind off
CO: cast on
meas: measure(s)
patt: pattern
pc: piece
rep: repeat
st(s): stitch(es)

PATTERN STITCH:

3 x 3 Rib: (multiple of 6 sts)
All rows: *Knit 3, purl 3; rep from *.

SCARF
CO 24 sts. Work in 3 x 3 Rib until pc meas 62” from beg. BO all sts in patt.

FINISHING
Block pc to measurements if desired.

For more information about this design and other designs in this collection, visit www.classiceliteyarns.com/WebLetter/159/Issue159.
Margaret Scarf

designed by
Pattie Morris

The Pattern
Skill Level: Easy
Finished Measurements: 7½” wide and 65” long

MATERIALS:
Ariosa by Classic Elite (90% extrafine merino, 10% cashmere; 50 gram ball = approx 87 yards)
• 3 balls 4889 Aurora Pink

Needles:
• One pair size US 11 (8 mm)
Or size to obtain gauge

GAUGE: 13 sts and 17 rows = 4” in Brick Stitch. Take time to save time, check your gauge.

ABBREVIATIONS:
BO: bind off
CO: cast on
k: knit
p: purl
rep: repeat
st(s): stitch(es)

PATTERN STITCH:
Brick Stitch: (multiple of 6 sts + 7)
Row 1: (RS) K2, *k3, p3; rep from * to last 5 sts, k5.
Rows 2 and 5: K2, *p3, k3; rep from * to last 5 sts, p3, k2.
Rows 3 and 4: K2, *k3, p3; rep from * to last 5 sts, k5.
Row 6: K2, *k3, p3; rep from * to last 5 sts, k5.
Rep Rows 1 – 6 for Brick St.

SCARF
CO 25 sts. (RS) Work in Brick St until piece measures 65” from beginning, end after WS row 6. BO all sts in pattern.

FINISHING
Lightly block piece to measurements.

Pink.*

It’s a color that symbolizes...what? When we knit sweaters and hats and blankets for expected little girls, this is the color that we most often reach for. For us it signifies femininity and dainty, girly things—cotton candy and Easter eggs and delicate spring flowers.

In October, however, pink is strong, pink is persevering, and pink is sometimes a matter of life and death. October is Breast Cancer Awareness month, and it’s a topic we take personally here at Classic Elite. Your Web Letter this week is a tribute to our survivors, and the patterns we designed are salutes to their strength of will and soundness of body. This month we’ll be bringing you a celebration of all that is girly with our Pink Scarf Project—four weeks of free scarf patterns in recognition of those who walk among us and those that have gone before.

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Grace Scarf
designed by CEY

The Pattern
Skill Level: Easy
SIZES: One size
Finished Measurements: 5" wide and 75½" long

MATERIALS:
Summer Set by Classic Elite (70% cotton, 20% alpaca, 10% lyocel; 50 gram ball = approx 95 yards)
• 3 balls 2171 Cosmos

Needles:
• One pair size US 7 (4.5 mm)
Or size to obtain gauge

GAUGE: 19 sts = 4" in Lace Pattern. Take time to save time, check your gauge.

ABBREVIATIONS:

BO: bind off
CO: cast on
p: purl
patt: pattern
pc: piece
rem: remain
sts: stitch(es)
yo: yarn over

PATTERN STITCH:
Lace Pattern: (multiple of 2 sts)
All rows: P1, *(p2tog, yo); repeat from * to last st, p1.

NOTE: Fringe is optional. If desired, cut fringe first by winding yarn around a 7" piece of cardboard 48 times. Cut one end and set aside.

SCARF
CO 24 sts. Work in Lace patt until pc measures 75½” from begining or until enough yarn is left to BO sts. BO all sts.

FINISHING
Block pc to measurements. Optional: Attach fringe by looping two strands of yarn through open spaces on both ends of scarf. Trim fringe evenly.
The Pattern
Skill Level: Intermediate

SIZES: One size
Finished Measurements: 45" wide and 22" tall, blocked

MATERIALS:
Princess by Classic Elite (40% merino, 28% viscose, 15% nylon, 10% cashmere, 7% angora; 50 gram ball = approx 150 yards)
- 3 balls 3489 Pink Damask

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k: knit
LH: left hand
RH: right hand
RS: right side
st(s): stitch(es)
WS: wrong side

ABBREVIATIONS:
BO: bind off
CO: cast on
est: establish(ed)
k: knit
LH: left hand
RH: right hand
RS: right side
st(s): stitch(es)
WS: wrong side

SPECIAL TERMS:
k2tog: Knit 2sts together (1 st decreased)
sk2p: Slip 1 st knitwise to the RH needle, k2tog, pass slipped st over knit st created by k2tog (2 sts decreased)
ssk: (slip, slip, knit) Slip 2 sts, 1 at a time, knitwise to the RH needle; return sts to LH needle in turned position and knit them together through the back loops (1 st decreased)
yo: yarn over (1 st increased)

SHAWL
With waste yarn and Provisional Cast-on Method, CO 3 sts. Knit 6 rows. (WS) Pick up and knit 1 st in each of 3 garter ridges, remove waste yarn and transfer live sts to needle, k3 from needle – 9 sts. Est Set-Up chart: (RS) K3 (border sts, keep in Gtr st throughout), work Row 1 of Set-Up chart, k1 (center st, keep in St st throughout), work Row 1 of Set-Up chart, k3 (border sts, keep in Gtr st throughout) – 13 sts. Work Rows 2 – 20 of Set-Up chart, maintaining 3 sts at each edge in Gtr st and center st in St st throughout – 49 sts. Change to Tulip Lace chart, work Rows 1 – 8 of Tulip Lace chart 8 times, maintaining border sts and center st as est – 177 sts. Change to Border Lace chart, work Rows 1 – 25 of Border Lace chart once, maintaining border sts and center st as est, ending after a RS row – 229 sts. With WS facing loosely BO all sts knitwise.

FINISHING
Block pc to measurements, shaping diamonds into points if desired.
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