

Time Traveller's Shawl

Looking for a warm, colorful, stripy shawl to accessorize your journeys through space and time – without having to worry about shutting a long scarf in the doors of your blue box or tripping over the ends while running from extermination-happy metal monsters?



The **Time Traveller's Shawl** is a slightly asymmetrical triangle with a gently curved top edge, measuring a generous 84" by 24." It features garter stitch stripes and slip-stitch edges on the top and one side, with a simple bind-off that echoes the look of the slip-stitch edges.

The order of the striping is based on instructions provided for the iconic scarf by the BBC in the 1980s (as found at <http://www.openculture.com/2015/12/instructions-for-knitting-the-iconic-dr-who-scarf.html>). The **Time Traveller's Shawl** is knitted with approximately half of the number of rows of each color from the iconic scarf.

Gauge: 22 stitches and 44 rows = 4"

Finished size, lightly blocked: 84" along top edge, 24" deep.

Suggested needle size: US 5 (3.75mm); US 8 (5mm) used for bind-off. Gauge is not critical for this project; use a needle size that results in a fabric you like. However, if your gauge differs greatly from the project gauge, you may need more or less yarn to complete the project.

Yarn:

The pattern uses one 50g ball of each of the following colors of Knitpicks Palette (or a similar fingering weight yarn). Not all colors used a full ball; approximate amounts used are shown in case you want to substitute yarns.

- Purple – Knitpicks Palette Regal (approx. 20g used)
- Tan – Knitpicks Palette Suede (approx. 50g used)
- Brown – Knitpicks Palette Bark (approx. 30g used)
- Yellow – Knitpicks Palette Semolina (approx. 35g used)
- Red – Knitpicks Palette Pimento (approx. 45g used)
- Grey – Knitpicks Palette Ash (approx. 40g used)
- Green – Knitpicks Palette Clover (approx. 50g used)

**Abbreviations used in pattern:**

Sl1 – slip one purlwise (with yarn in back)

Kfb – knit into the front and back of the same stitch

K2tog – knit two stitches together

K2togtbl – knit two stitches together through the back loop

YO – yarnover

Pattern notes:

- Be careful not to tighten up too much on the slipped edge stitches to avoid puckering.
- Wash and block after weaving in yarn ends to smooth out the shawl. When finished, the top edge will be a smooth curve, rather than a straight edge.

Set-up section:

Using **purple** yarn, cast on 4 stitches using long-tail cast-on.

Row 1: sl1, kfb, yo, k1, p1

Row 2: sl1, k to one stitch before end of row, p1

Row 3: sl1, k2tog, kfb, YO, k1, p1

Row 4: sl1, k to one stitch before end of row, p1

Row 5: sl1, k2tog, k1, kfb, YO, k1, p1

Row 6: sl1, k to one stitch before end of row, p1

Row 7: sl1, k to three stitches before end of row, kfb, YO, k1, p1

Row 8: sl1, k to one stitch before end of row, p1

You will have 10 stitches on the needle at the end of the set-up section.

Cut purple yarn. The next section begins the striped garter stitch pattern.



Striped garter stitch section:

Using **tan** yarn, work the following pattern rows. Important: the first **purple** stitch in Row 1 will be slipped; you will begin knitting with **tan** on the k2tog.

Row 1: sl1, k2tog, knit to three stitches before end of row, kfb, YO, k1, p1

Row 2: sl1, k to one stitch before end of row, p1

Row 3: sl1, k2tog, knit to three stitches before end of row, kfb, YO, k1, p1

Row 4: sl1, k to one stitch before end of row, p1

Row 5: sl1, k to three stitches before end of row, kfb, YO, k1, p1

Row 6: sl1, k to one stitch before end of row, p1

Continue to work this 6-row pattern until you have knitted a total of 26 rows in **tan**, ending with Row 2 of the pattern. You will have 27 stitches on the needle. Cut yarn.

Stripe Color Chart

Beginning with **brown**, work this 6-row pattern while following the **Stripe Color Chart**, knitting the number of rows indicated in each color. After knitting the indicated number of rows in each color, cut yarn before beginning the next color. Color changes happen at the beginning of RS rows. When starting each new color, the first slipped stitch will be in the former color, and you will start knitting the new color beginning with the second stitch in the row.

Color of stripe	# of rows in garter stitch	Section ends with this many stitches on needle:	Section ends with this row of 6-row pattern:
Brown	8	32	Row 4
Yellow	6	36	Row 4
Red	12	44	Row 4
Purple	4	47	Row 2
Green	10	54	Row 6
Yellow	4	56	Row 4
Tan	14	66	Row 6
Red	8	71	Row 2
Brown	4	74	Row 6
Purple	6	78	Row 6
Green	20	91	Row 2
Yellow	4	94	Row 6
Grey	8	99	Row 2
Red	4	102	Row 6
Tan	26	119	Row 2
Purple	4	122	Row 6
Green	6	126	Row 6
Yellow	4	128	Row 4
Red	10	135	Row 2
Purple	4	138	Row 6
Brown	18	150	Row 6
Tan	6	154	Row 6
Grey	4	156	Row 4
Red	20	170	Row 6
Yellow	8	175	Row 2
Green	10	182	Row 6
Purple	4	184	Row 4
Tan	20	198	Row 6
Brown	6	102	Row 6
Grey	10	208	Row 4
Red	8	214	Row 6
Purple	6	218	Row 6
Tan	4	220	Row 4
Yellow	8	226	Row 6
Green	26	242	Row 6
Red	8	247	Row 2
Grey	6	251	Row 2
Yellow	4	254	Row 6
Brown	10	260	Row 4
Purple	4	263	Row 2
Tan	6	267	Row 2
Grey	16	278	Row 6
Red	6	280	Row 4
Yellow	8	286	Row 6

Bind-off

Using US 8 (5mm) needles, bind off loosely as follows: [k2togtbl, return stitch to left needle]*.

Repeat * until only one stitch remains. Thread end of yarn through remaining stitch and fasten securely.

Weave in all yarn ends; wash and block lightly to smooth out the yarn. I did not pin out the shawl, just washed it and shaped it, laying it flat to dry.



And there you have it – a faithful companion for your travels through time and space!

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