ULTRA SIMPLE BLOUSE SCARF (Something to do with one-skein wonders)

A knitting pattern

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O.K. I can't claim responsibility for the Great Garter Stitch Novelty Yarn Scarf Craze of the early-mid 2000s, but I do note that first release of this pattern predated it by a couple of years.

This sample scarf was knit using Classic Elite Sea, although any interesting texture thin novelty yarn will work equally well.

Yarn choice is everything here - the slinkier, more colorful and more textured the better. Stuff that would be a challenge to work into a garment works well in this scarf

Materials

One pair US #13 needles.

At least 68 yards of any novelty yarn with a "base string" approximately sock weight. I made several of these scarves, each using one skein of yarn. Among the yarns I used were:

- Prism Yarns, Biwa 100% Rayon, 68 yards. I tried a scarf each from these colors: "Lipstick" "Tapestry" and "Blue Note"
- Classic Elite, Sea. Cotton/nylon blend(?)- a pink/lavender/sea green and grey combo
- Mfr. Unknown. A tufty stuff that looks like sewing thread with little pastel puffballs along it. This was a remnant from a baby sweater where I used it as a "carry along". Bad choice for the original

sweater because the baby had fun picking off the puffballs and eating them.

 Berroco Bubble FX - similar to the unknown stuff above, a thin string strung with multicolor puffballs.

Biwa is a deeply colored space dyed yarn that features a very narrow strand ornamented every inch or so with a small tuft of loops. Each stitch consumed roughly an inch of yarn, so that each stitch was ornamented by a tuft of jewel-tone loops. The unknown puffball stuff was similarly fashioned. The Classic Elite Sea was also a thin yarn punctuated by larger slubs, but it seemed to be a mostly-cotton blend with slubs appearing approximately every two inches.

Gauge and Dimensions

For this project, completely unimportant.

Instructions

If you have 60-80 yards of your chosen yarn, cast on 12 stitches and work in garter stitch (knit every row) until you run out of yarn. This should make a narrow blouse scarf or tie, at least 3.5 feet long and at least 4 inches wide. If you have more yardage, you can make the thing wider or longer as desired. Bind off.

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