

BRUSHED MOHAIR SCARF

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Size: 17 x 190 cm.

Yarn: Esito Looped Mohair Yarn (70 % mohair, 26 % wool, 4 % polyamide) 150 g yellow-orange (305).

Needles: 6 mm knitting needles.

Other supplies: Mohair brush.

Rib Stitch pattern: Work following the pattern flat in rows.

Gauge: 15 sts and 21 rows = 10 cm.

Abbreviations: BO = bind off, CO = cast on, K = knit, P = purl, Sl = slip, st(s) = stitch(es), tbl = through back loop

Instructions: CO 28 sts. Begin working in Rib St pattern starting with a twisted knit st as follows:

Row 1: *K1 tbl, P1*, repeat *-* to end and turn work (leaving yarn at the back).

Row 2: Sl1, *P1, K1 tbl*, repeat *-* to last st, P1, turn work (leaving yarn at the back).

Keep repeating Row 2 until the scarf measures 165 cm.

BO all sts and weave in the ends.

If preferred, brush the scarf on both sides with a mohair brush. First, protect the surface of the table. Then start the brushing process from one end of the scarf as follows: Lay the scarf flat on the table with the long side facing you. Hold the scarf in place on the table with your left hand, about 20 cm from the end of the scarf.

Begin from the top end of the long edge, brushing a brush-width area at a time from left to right towards the other end of the scarf. Perform a vertical, upwards hacking motion 3–4 times at the same spot. Progress one brush-width area at a time from one end of the long side to the other. Note: Do not drag the brush along the surface of the knitted fabric to prevent individual stitches from catching in the brush. If this happens, stretch this area horizontally until the stitch returns to its place. The scarf may stretch about 10–15 % in length during the brushing process.

Fringe: Make 8 twisted fringes at each end of the brushed scarf as follows: Cut 32 pieces of yarn for the fringes, each 20 cm long. Combine 2 strands of yarn into one bundle. Fold the bundle in half and pull the fold through the scarf edge. Then, pull the yarn ends through the loop and tighten the knot against the edge, twist the strands together, and secure the ends with a tight overhand knot. Brush the fringes and trim their ends.

