

This felted scarf is an easy way to experiment with unique styles and negative space. A single color of Brown Sheep fingering weight yarn is used for warp. Various colors of the same weight yarn are used for weft. Allow yourself to be creative and intuitive with the colors of this scarf!

# LOOM

The Cricket Loom from Schacht

## YARNS

Brown Sheep Nature Spun, 100% wool, fingering weight



## **CHERRY DELIGHT SCARF**

#### **STRUCTURE**

Balanced plain weave with warp and weft spacing, felted after weaving.

## **EQUIPMENT**

Schacht Cricket Loom; 10-dent Cricket rigid heddle reed; one stick shuttle for each weft color used. Optional: several 1" x 10" strips of file folder.

## **YARNS**

**Warp:** Brown Sheep Nature Spun, 100% wool, fingering weight in Cherry Delight #108F, two 1¾ ounce balls.

Weft: Brown Sheep Nature Spun, 100% wool, fingering weight in Spring Green #109F; Peruvian Pink #N85F; Alpine Violet #207F; Bougainvillea #105F; Hurricane Seas #135F; and Arctic Moss #N20F. One 310 yd./1¾ oz. ball per color.

#### WAR

**Warp length:** 4 yards, allowing 28" of loom waste. The scarf will shorten in the felting process, so the long warp is essential!

Warp ends: 48 ends. Width in reed: 7¾".

**EPI:** 10 **PPI:** 10

Finished Length: Unwashed: 108". Washed: between 80" and 100". The felting process will vary the length.

**Fringe length:** Before felting: 3.5". After felting: 2".

## WARPING

Following the warping plan below, warp 12 ends, then leave 10 dents empty. Repeat, ending with 12 ends.

### **WEAVING**

Weave 12 picks in a balanced weave (10 PPI), then insert a 1" spacer in the warp. Change weft colors and weave the next 12 picks, insert another spacer, and so on. The spacing process can also be done by eye. For each 12 picks of weaving, change the weft color. Let your color selection be intuitive, random, or structured—whatever works for you. On the loom this weave structure looks very open. Don't worry; it'll close up in the finishing process.

## **FINISHING**

Remove the warp from the loom and tie each of the warp bundles (12 ends each) into a secure knot with fringe. Roll fabric up in tea towels and secure with wool yarn ties. Place in a pillow case and securely tie. Wash for 3-5 minutes in the washing machine on gentle with warm water then check the bundle to see how the felting is coming along. The scarf end on the inside of the bundle might felt more than the one on the outside of the roll - to correct this, re-roll your bundle in the opposite direction. After the fabric has finished felting, rinse by hand in cold water and lay flat to dry. Steam press and trim all ends. If any portions have felted on top of one another, gently pull them apart.

## **WARPING PLAN**

Cherry Delight	12		12	1,-	12		12	48
Empty dents		10		10		10		30
total dents								78



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