



Infinite Colors

Materials: 350 yards (320 m) fingering weight yarn
 24" or 32" (60 or 80 cm) circular needle, US #8 (5.0 mm) OR SIZE NEEDED TO OBTAIN GAUGE
 stitch marker
 tapestry needle

Gauge: 24 stitches = approximately 4" (10 cm)

Finished dimensions after blocking: 27" – 28" long (54" – 56" around) x 5.5" deep/@70 cm long (140 cm around) x 14 cm deep

These cowls were made with "magic balls" of Koigu Premium Painters Palette Merino. I had many leftover odds and ends of Koigu. I weighed out these bits to equal the weight of two skeins of KPPPM (3.5 ounces/100 g) for each cowl; this worked out to approximately 15 different colorways for each cowl. I then arranged the colors as I wanted and spliced the bits together to form one ball for each cowl. I used just about the entire ball for each cowl; if you want a deeper cowl you will need more yarn.

Assuming you don't have a stash of leftover odds and ends of Koigu, you can use two or more colorways of fingering weight yarn, alternating the colors every one or two or more rounds to mix the colors. Even a single colorway will work! No matter how many or few colorways you work with, choose skeins with lots of color changes, whether subtle or startling. You might also consider if you want the different skeins to have a color or two in common—the colors will blend more organically this way—or no colors in common, to make bolder stripes.

The cowl is worked in linen stitch, in the round, over an odd number of stitches.

Abbreviations:

yf, bring yarn to front of work

yb, bring yarn to back of work

NOTE: slip stitches purlwise, do not twist or manipulate stitch while slipping!

Stitch pattern:

Round 1: *K1, yf, slip 1, yb*, repeat * to * until 1 stitch remains, K1

Round 2: *yf, slip 1, yb, K1*, repeat * to * until 1 stitch remains, yf, slip 1

Repeat these two rounds throughout

DIRECTIONS

Cast on 325 stitches (I prefer a loose cable cast-on, but use your favorite).

Join in round, taking care that stitches are not twisted. Place stitchmarker to indicate beginning of round.

Work in linen stitch pattern until work is @5.5" (14 cm) deep AND there is enough yarn left to bind off. Bind off loosely, checking frequently to make sure the bound-off edge matches the tension of the cast-on edge and adjusting the tension of the bind-off as needed.

To block: Lay the infinity scarf flat and spray until damp with cool water, then turn it over and spray the other side. Lightly pat the scarf to even out the edges, smooth the fabric, and achieve the desired length. Let dry thoroughly, then weave in all ends and tails.

