

BRIOCHE 101

SL1YO: Slip 1 yarn over, followed by a brk or knit stitch

Step 1: Bring yarn to the front as if ready to purl.

Step 2: Slip next st purlwise from left to right needle.

Step 3: Bring yarn over the right needle and over the top of the slipped stitch to the back, ready to knit or brk the next stitch.

SL1YO: Slip 1 yarn over, followed by a brp or purl stitch

Step 1: Bring yarn to the front as if ready to purl.

Step 2: Slip next st purlwise from left to right needle.

Step 3: Bring yarn over the right needle and over the top of the slipped stitch to the back and in between the needles to the front, ready to purl or brp the next stitch.

RUSSIAN BIND-OFF FOR BRIOCHE

Step 1 : Knit the first stitch.

Step 2: Knit the next stitch.

Step 3: Slip the two stitches from right needle back to left needle and knit them together through the back loop.

Repeat Steps 2-3 until all stitches are bound off.

Note: In brioche knitting, a sl1yo stitch (slipped stitch and corresponding yarn over) is counted and treated as a single stitch. In Step 1 or Step 2, if you encounter a sl1yo stitch, then knit into both the slipped stitch and its yarn over.

WEAVING IN ENDS FOR BRIOCHE

Thread the tail of your yarn through your darning or tapestry needle. You will be weaving color A into the WS of the fabric and vice versa.

Step 1: Insert needle under the ribs adjacent to knit columns of the fabric until you are about an inch into the fabric.

Step 2: Bring the needle under the knit stitch to reach the other side of the knit column.

Step 3: Insert the needle under the ridges going the opposite direction, for about an inch into the fabric.

Cut yarn close to the fabric and stretch the fabric a little until the cut end completely disappears into the fabric.

COUNTING BRIOCHE STITCHES

In brioche knitting, a slipped stitch and its corresponding yarn over are counted as a single stitch. Please note that the yarn over is not counted separately. For instance, when you count 4 stitches, you will actually have 6 loops of yarn on the needle.

COUNTING BRIOCHE ROWS

While counting rows for gauge and other purposes, count the visible knit stitches from the swatch or project — this gives the accurate number of rows.

Note: In brioche knitting, two passes make one row. However, this pattern is written to count each pass as a row, for ease of reading and following instructions. To match the pattern's row numbering, count the number of visible knit stitches and multiply that number by 2.

2-STITCH I-CORD SELVEDGE

All slipped stitches are slipped purlwise.
Keep color A close to you on RS and WS.
Always drop the color B to the RS.

On RS A rows: Sl1, k1, work in brioche pattern to last 2 sts, k2.

On WS A rows: Sl1, p1, work in brioche pattern to last 2 sts, p2.

On RS & WS B rows: Sl2, work in brioche pattern to last 2 sts, sl2.

SWATCH INSTRUCTIONS

Using color A, cast on an odd number of sts loosely.

Setup Rows

Row 1 color A (RS): Sl1, k1, [sl1yo, k1] to last 3 sts, sl1yo, k2. Slide.

Join color B.

Row 2 color B (RS): Sl2, join color B, [brp1, sl1yo] until last 3 sts, brp1, sl2. Turn.

Row 3 color A (WS): Sl1, p1, [sl1yo, brp1] until last 3 sts, sl1yo, p2. Slide.

Row 4 color B (WS): Sl2, [brk1, sl1yo], until last 3 sts, brk1, sl2. Turn.

Pattern Rows

Row 1 color A (RS): Sl1, k1, [sl1yo, brk1] to last 3 sts, sl1yo, k2. Slide.

Row 2 color B (RS): Sl2, [brp1, sl1yo] until last 3 sts, brp1, sl2. Turn.

Row 3 color A (WS): Sl1, p1, [sl1yo, brp1] until last 3 sts, sl1yo, p2. Slide.

Row 4 color B (WS): Sl2, [brk1, sl1yo], until last 3 sts, brk1, sl2. Turn.

Repeat Rows 1 - 4 until desired length.

Cut B. Bind off in A using Russian Bind-off for Brioche Knitting.

2-COLOR BRIOCHE ROW TRACKER

	Row 1 (RS) A	Row 2 (RS) B	Row 3 (WS) A	Row 4 (WS) B
Setup Rows				
Repeat 1				
Repeat 2				
Repeat 3				
Repeat 4				
Repeat 5				
Repeat 6				
Repeat 7				
Repeat 8				
Repeat 9				
Repeat 10				
Repeat 11				
Repeat 12				
Repeat 13				
Repeat 14				
Repeat 15				
Repeat 16				
Repeat 17				
Repeat 18				
Repeat 19				
Repeat 20				

ABBREVIATIONS

Brk	Brioche knit
Brp	Brioche Purl
K	Knit
P	Purl
RS	Right Side
Sl	Sl purlwise
Sl1yo	Slip 1 yarn over
WS	Wrong Side