**Difficulty rating:** Easy

Finished Size: End to end 72"; folded in half 36".

**Yarn:** Crystal Palace Mini Mochi color 316 Equinox for the squares and Plus Solid color 1105 Walnut for the border, 1 skein each OR Mini Mochi color 315 Grateful Grapes for the squares and Mini Solid color 1103 Purple Rain for the border, 1 skein each.

**Notions:** 3.5mm crochet hook, tapestry needle

#### Overview:

This scarf uses one skein of Mini Mochi for the squares.

Mini Mochi is a slow color change yarn and the color shifts as you weave the squares. Mini Solid or Plus Solid is used for the simple crocheted border. The crocheted border is applied after the scarf is sewn together. The Infinity is accomplished when you sew one end of the scarf to the other end. This is an easy project that lets the colors in the yarn do all the work. That and the magic of Infinity!

## Weaving:

Weave 22 squares with the Mini Mochi. Keep the squares in the order that they are woven as they come off the loom. The yarn tails will be used to sew the squares together.

# Assembly:

Lay the squares in the order they were woven, to maintain the color sequence. The scarf uses 20 squares to make the 72 inch length. There are two extra squares so that you may adjust the colors of the end squares when they are joined together. Play with the end colors until there is a nice gradation of color.

Sew each square in order to the next, using the long tail so that the color will blend in with the square. When you have one long strip, the infinity magic happens. Make a circle with the strip and turn one end over to form a Möbius strip. Sew the ends together. Weave in and trim any loose tails.



Maintain the color order



Sew the squares together



Form a Möbius strip

### Crochet edging:

The border on this scarf is simple. One round of single crochet forms a base for a second round of picot crochet stitch. You may use a different stitch for the last row or multiple rows of picot. This is a good place to use your own creativity. Pick any place along the edge to start.

Because of the magic of the Infinity loop, you will start in one spot and crochet around until you reach the starting spot again. There will be a single crochet in each loop all along the edge and at least one in each join area where the squares meet. Due to the



Equinox/Walnut colorway

Grateful Grapes/Purple Rain colorway

layout of the pins on the Zoom Loom the loops are in pairs. Make a single crochet stitch in each loop in the pair. Each square will have 15 or 16 stitches plus the ones in the joins. Keep the yarn loose and don't pull the loops too close together. If you notice the edging puckering, add a chain stitch between the single crochets, as often as needed. You may also use a size larger crochet hook, if needed, to keep the edge flat. This takes just a bit of tweaking as you go along to make sure you have a nice, flat edging.

Single Crochet Row: To start, put the crochet hook through one loop on the edge of a square. Pull up a loop of yarn, bring the yarn over the hook and take it through the loop. For the first single crochet, put the hook into the next loop on the square edge, wrap the yarn over the hook and pull it up through the loop. There are two loops on the hook. Wrap the yarn over the hook and pull it through both loops. Work single crochets all along the edge, working gently and loosely enough to keep the squares flat. When you reach the starting point, start the picot row.

Picot Stitch Row: Picots are just chain stitches. Chain 6, put the hook in the third chain from the bottom and wrap the yarn around the hook. Pull the yarn though the loops on the hook and chain two more stitches. Count 4 stitches over on the



Picot stitch

edge of the scarf and put the hook into that stitch. Wrap the yarn over the hook and pull the loop though leaving one stitch on hook. Make picot stitches all along the edge. When you get near the starting point adjust how many picots will fit into the space. Tweak the size of the picots so that you end up with an evenly-spaced design. Put the hook in the base of the first picot and draw the yarn though. Cut the yarn and weave the ends into the border stitches.

# Finishing:

Blocking will help define the picot points. Soak the scarf

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in warm water and drain thoroughly or spin in the washing machine. Lay the scarf out as flat as possible, with the twist in the scarf at one end. Pin each picot or use blocking wires for both edges of the scarf. Place a pin in each picot in the area of the twist. Do not stretch the squares out too tightly. Let dry before removing the pins. When worn, this length will wrap three times around for a tighter cowl or two times for a looser scarf.