

tiny tassels

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This is a wonderfully simple pattern that gives you a great excuse to play with different colour combinations in the form of little ditsy tassels that create the most charming shawlette.

SIZE

Sizes range from 96-112cm / 38-44in wide x 38-40cm / 15-16in deep depending on which yarn and needle size you use.

This pattern would also be wonderful knit in either thicker yarns or making a larger one by using more than 1 skein of the main colour. Just bear in mind that you would then need more of the yarns you are using for the tiny tassels.

YARN

Cuttlefish Version:

Shawl: Qing Fibre Merino Singles (4ply / fingering weight; 100% superwash Merino wool; 366m / 400yds per 100g)

Shade: Cuttlefish x 1 skein

Tassels: MadelineTosh Unicorn Tails (4ply / fingering weight; 100% superwash Merino wool; 47m / 52yds per mini skein)

You will need approximately a third of a mini skein in 4 different shades. Aprrox 16m / 17.5 yds

Sample shown uses Glazed Pecan, Death by Elocution,

Brass and Antique Lace.

Flamingo Version:

Shawl: Qing Fibre Merino Singles (4ply / fingering weight; 100% superwash Merino wool; 366m / 400yds per 100g)

Shade: Flamingo x 1 skein

Tassels: MadelineTosh Unicorn Tails (4ply / fingering weight; 100% superwash Merino wool; 47m / 52yds per mini skein)

You will need approximately a third of a mini skein in 4 different shades. Aprrox 16m / 17.5 yds

Sample shown uses Death by Elocution, Brass, Jade and Onyx.

Smoke Version:

Shawl: Qing Fibre Merino Singles (4ply / fingering weight; 100% superwash Merino wool; 366m / 400yds per 100g)

Shade: Smoke x 1 skein

Tassels: MadelineTosh Unicorn Tails (4ply / fingering weight; 100% superwash Merino wool; 47m / 52yds per mini skein)

You will need approximately a third of a mini skein in 4

different shades. Approx 16m / 17.5 yds

Sample shown uses Glazed Pecan, Brass, Jade and Translation.

Pashmina Version:

Shawl: MadelineTosh Pashmina (Sportweight; 75% superwash Merino wool, 15% silk, 10% cashmere; 329m / 360yds per 100g skein)

Shade: Silverfox x 1 skein

Tassels: Koigu KPPPM (4ply / fingering weight; 100%

Merino wool; 160m / 175yds per 50g skein)

Shade: P355 x 1 skein. Approx 70m / 76 yds actually used.

Needles & Notions

NOTE: Select a needle size that will produce the drape of fabric you like. Samples shown use 3mm (UK 11 / US $2\frac{1}{2}$) up to 3.75mm (UK 9 / US 5) circular needle, 80cm / 32in length

1 stitch marker Tapestry needle

TENSION

19.5–24 sts and 23–28 rows to 10cm (4in) over garter stitch on chosen needle after blocking

NOTES

Tiny Tassels is worked from the top down with 4-stitch increases every other row; 1 at each end of the row and 2 at the centre.

ABBREVIATIONS

CC Contrast Colour(s)

inc Increase(d)

k Knit

MC Main Colour
PM Place marker
pwise Purlwise

rep Repeat

RS Right side of work

sl Slip

SM Slip marker
st(s) Stitch(es)

tbl Through back loopWS Wrong side of work

wyif With yarn held at front of work

Yarn over needle and into working position
 Yarn over backwards: bring the yarn from the back, over the right-hand needle to the front, and between the needles to the back again

PATTERN BEGINS

Using Shawl yarn, cast on 5 sts.

Set-up row: K3, PM, k1, sl1 pwise wyif.

Shape shawl as follows:

Row 1 (RS): K1, yob, k1, yo, SM, k1, yob, k1, yo, sl1 pwise

wyif. 9 sts

Row 2 (WS): K1, k1tbl, k3, SM, k1tbl, k2, s11 pwise wyif. Row 3: K1, yob, k to marker, yo, SM, k1, yob, k to last st, yo, s11 pwise wyif. 4 sts inc

Row 4: K1, k1tbl, k to marker, SM, k1tbl, k to last st, sl1 pwise wyif.

Rep rows 3 and 4 until there are a total of 337 sts on the needle or until you have a length of yarn remaining that is approximately 3 times the length of the bottom (live) edge and then cast off.

Cast off loosely – you may want to use a larger needle to ensure the bottom edge remains stretchy for blocking.

FINISHING

Weave in ends and block gently, taking care not to overstretch the garter stitch fabric.

TINY TASSELS

Using Tassel yarn, make and attach Tiny Tassels placing them every 4th cast off st along the two shorter sides of the triangle or as desired.

See our tiny tassel tutorial on our blog here

Qing Cuttlefish Version

1 skein of Qing merino singles in Cuttlefish with Madelinetosh Unicorn Tails in Brass, Glazed Pecan, Death by Elocution and Antique Lace.







Qing Smoke Version

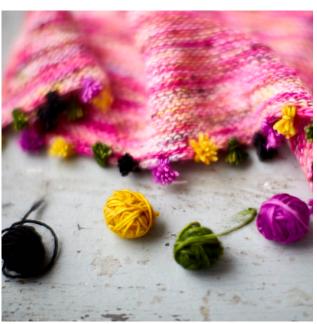
1 skein of Qing merino singles in Smoke with Madelinetosh Unicorn Tails in Brass, Glazed Pecan, Jade and Translation.



Qing Flamingo Version

1 skein of Qing merino singles in Flamingo with Madelinetosh Unicorn Tails in Brass, Jade, Death by Elocution and Onyx.









Pashmina Version

1 skein of Madelinetosh Pashmina in Silver Fox with 1 skein of Koigu KPPPM in P355.





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