



Anatomy of a Swatch

Difficulty Rating

Novice/beginner.

Suggested Yarn

[MC] Encore by Plymouth Yarns [75% acrylic, 25% wool; 200 yd per 100g skein]; color: 1232 light forest; 1 skein

Needles

1 pair US #8 or #9 needles OR size to get gauge

Gauge

20 sts/26 rows = 4 inches in stockinette stitch

Swatch

CO 40 sts. Work garter st for 12 rows. Switch to stockinette st for 6 rows. Begin 1 x 1 rib and work for a total of 6 rows.

Work seed st for 6 rows.

Cable Panel

Next row (RS): P3, K6, P3, K6, P4, K6, P3, K6, P3.

Row 2 (WS): K3, P6, K3, P6, K4, P6, K3, P6, K3.

Row 3: repeat row 1.

Row 4: repeat row 2.

Row 5: P3, C3B, P3, C3B, P4, C3F, P3, C3F, P3.

Row 6: repeat row 2.

Repeat these 6 rows once more for a total of 12 cable panel rows. Then repeat rows 1 & 2 again (14 total cable panel rows).

P next two rows.

Work stockinette st for next 2 rows.

Next row: K5, [MB, K4] 6 times, MB, K4.

P next row (WS).

Work stockinette st for 2 rows.

P next two rows.

Continue in stockinette st for 4 more rows.

Next row (RS): K5, [YO, K2tog] 15 times, K5.

Next row (WS): Purl.

Work stockinette st for 4 more rows.

Next row: K3, SSK, work to within last 5 sts, K2tog, K3.

Next row: Purl.

Repeat these last two rows until 30 sts remain.

BO all sts.

Abbreviations

BO = bind off

C3B = slide 3 sts to cable needle and hold in back, K3, K3 from cable needle

C3F = slide 3 sts to cable needle and hold in front, K3, K3 from cable needle

CO = cast on

K = knit

K2tog = knit two together

MB = K into the back, front and back of next st to make 3 from 1. Turn, P3, Turn, K3, Turn, P3, Turn, K3tog—one bobble made!

MC = main color

P = purl

rem = remain

rep = repeat

RS = right side

SSK = slip the next two sts knitwise without working, then insert the other needle into the fronts of both sts and knit them together

st(s) = stitch(es)

WS = wrong side

YO = yarn over



Pattern Stitches

Garter Stitch

K every st on every row.

Stockinette Stitch

Row 1: K each st.

Row 2: P each st.

Rep these 2 rows for pattern.

1 x 1 Rib Stitch

Row 1: *K1, P1; rep from * to end of row.

Rep this row for pattern.

Seed Stitch

Row 1: *K1, P1; rep from * to end of row.

Row 2: *P1, K1; rep from * to end of row.

Rep these 2 rows for pattern.