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05 Candy Cane Striped Scarf

Smooth-front stockinette with garter borders and 21 red/ivory bands



DIGITAL KNITTING PATTERN ONLY - NO PHYSICAL GARMENT SHIPPED

Calculated design targets. No physical prototype or test knitting has been completed.

Included sizes: One size, with optional length adaptation

Project overview, size and materials

Candy Cane Striped Scarf | Beginner+ | Sizes One size | flat stable-edge stockinette scarf

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Recommended yarn

Bulky red and ivory yarn, about 160 m of each including fringe (unmeasured estimate)

Gauge and swatch

Gauge target: 14 stitches and 20 rows per 10 cm in the specified BLOCKED STABILIZED-STOCKINETTE fabric on 6 mm needles. Measure a swatch made with the three-stitch garter borders and central smooth fabric; adjust needle size if needed.

Before starting: knit a swatch of the exact stated stitch pattern on the working needles, making a square at least 15 cm across. Wash or block as permitted by the yarn label, dry flat, and measure stitches and rows across a centered 10 cm. Change needles and re-swatch as needed. Use the actual blocked fabric gauge, not the photo, to choose final size.

Needles and equipment

6 mm straight needles, scissors, yarn needle, fringe template

Size chart (centimeters and inches)

Size	Cast-on	Rows	Blocked width*	Knit length*	Fringe both ends
One size	20 sts	280 rows	14.3 cm / 5.6 in	140.0 cm / 55.1 in	22.0 cm / 8.7 in

*Provisional targets only at specified 14 stitch and 20 row stockinette swatch gauge; 21 counted red/ivory bands. Confirm blocked gauge before starting.

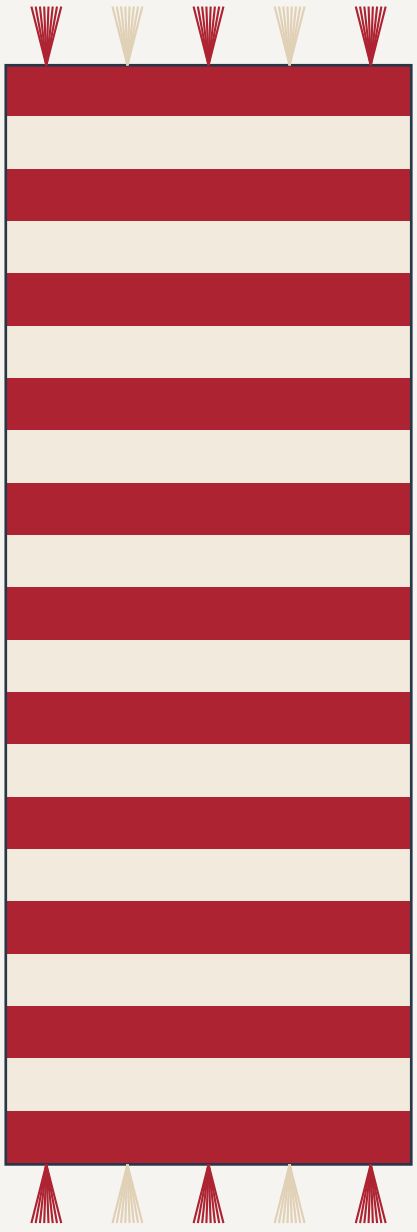
Fabric and edge construction

The fabric uses THREE knitted garter-edge stitches per side and a central 14-stitch stockinette panel. The blocked gauge and finished dimensions are preliminary swatch targets.

Construction schematic

21 bands, 280 knitted rows, stable three-stitch garter borders and matching solid-color fringe.

CANDY-CANE STRIPES / FRONT-FACING FABRIC



21 COLOR BLOCKS / 280 ROWS

Bands 1 and 21 are RED (20 rows each).

Ivory bands: 2, 4, 6, ... 20.

20 cast-on stitches on every row.

3 knitted garter border stitches per side.

14 smooth central stockinette stitches.

Five fringe bundles at EACH short edge.

RED / IVORY / RED / IVORY / RED

Eight SAME-COLOR cut strands / bundle.

Both ends: 48 RED + 32 IVORY strands.

Strands cut to 24 cm; trim to 11 cm.

Diagram identifies all 21 color blocks; see counted stripe table for exact row boundaries.

Abbreviations and techniques

Term	Definition
CO / BO	Cast on / bind off.
RS / WS	Right side / wrong side.
k / p	Knit / purl. Stockinette flat: knit on RS, purl on WS.
st / sts / row	Stitch / stitches / row, counted from cast-on.
Garter border	Knit the first and last three stitches on BOTH RS and WS rows.
Stabilized stockinette	Knit all stitches on RS; on WS knit three edge stitches, purl central 14, knit last three.
Stripe change	Join the next color at the beginning of its listed row, leaving a weaving tail.
Fringe bundle	Eight SAME-COLOR cut strands folded in half and attached through scarf edge.

Technique and sizing notes

Work the scarf flat using stabilized stockinette. Change red/ivory yarn ONLY at the row intervals in the 21-band table. No increases, decreases, seams, I-cords or duplicate-stitch charts are required.

Complete row-by-row construction

Read each size independently. Work the shaping intervals exactly; color overlays never alter fabric stitch counts.

Cast on 20 stitches with RED and 6 mm needles. Knit flat using STABILIZED STOCKINETTE: RS rows knit all 20 stitches; on WS rows knit 3 edge stitches, purl the central 14, knit the final 3 edge stitches. All rows retain 20 stitches. This produces smooth front-facing knit Vs while the stabilized stockinette selvages resist rolling. Keep all 3 border stitches in the same stripe color as the center.

Stripe sequence: Work exactly 21 sequential color bands with RED for odd-numbered bands and IVORY for even-numbered bands. Bands 1 and 21 have 20 rows each; bands 2-20 have 12 or 13 rows as given in the fully counted row-range table on the decoration page. Total 280 rows, first and final blocks both RED. Work the 20th (last IVORY) block through Row 260, then work the last RED block Rows 261-280. Bind off knitwise in RED.

Color change: On the first row of each new stripe, join the new color at the side with a 12 cm weaving tail. Do not carry the resting yarn along the edge. The 3-stitch garter borders follow the same color as the 14-stitch smooth center.

Tassel fringe: Make TEN SOLID-COLOR bundles, five at each end. Each bundle uses EIGHT strands of one yarn color, each strand cut to 24 cm / 9.4 in. At EACH end make bundles in order RED, IVORY, RED, IVORY, RED. Place at approximate cast-on or bind-off stitch positions 2, 6, 10, 14 and 18. Fold each eight-strand bundle in half to create 16 hanging ends; pull through the edge fabric and knot securely around the fabric edge. Trim to about 11 cm / 4.3 in hanging length. Total cut strands for BOTH ends: 48 RED and 32 IVORY. The bundles are NOT mixed-color.

Quality check: 21 counted stripe bands; 280 knitted rows total; first and last bands RED; 20 stitches and stable 3-stitch garter borders throughout; five fringe bundles on EACH end. Gauge target is specified blocked stabilized stockinette, not the stated blocked gauge.

Exact 21-band knitted stripe sequence

These are REAL knitted yarn-color changes, not duplicate-stitch charts. Work the 21 inclusive row ranges in order, keeping 20 stitches per row. The edge stitches use the same color as the stockinette center. Both ends are RED.

Band-by-band row schedule (280 rows total)

Band	Garment rows inclusive	Rows	Yarn color
1	1-20	20	RED
2	21-33	13	IVORY
3	34-46	13	RED
4	47-58	12	IVORY
5	59-71	13	RED
6	72-83	12	IVORY
7	84-96	13	RED
8	97-108	12	IVORY
9	109-121	13	RED
10	122-134	13	IVORY
11	135-146	12	RED
12	147-159	13	IVORY
13	160-171	12	RED
14	172-184	13	IVORY
15	185-196	12	RED
16	197-209	13	IVORY
17	210-221	12	RED
18	222-234	13	IVORY
19	235-247	13	RED
20	248-260	13	IVORY
21	261-280	20	RED

Count check: 21 color bands = 11 RED and 10 IVORY. Bands 1 and 21 contain 20 rows each, and all internal bands contain exactly 12 or 13 rows. Total knitted length is calculated using the specified stabilized-stockinette gauge; check your blocked swatch. Add five folded fringe bundles to each end AFTER the fabric is knitted.

Assembly, finishing and blocking

Weave each yarn end into the WS for at least 5 cm (2 in), reverse direction, and trim only when secure. Keep finishing tension smooth and avoid scratchy knots.

Blocking: soak only if fiber label permits, press water out in a towel, shape to the target measurements without aggressive stretching, and dry completely flat. A swatch establishes how your yarn responds; blocking cannot reliably correct significant gauge errors.

Care: Use matching-color care instructions; fringe may tangle in machine washing. Hand wash and lay flat to dry.

No seams. Weave stripe ends horizontally across WS stitches in their matching color and back again. Block carefully to the provisional 14.3 x 140.0 cm knitted size ONLY if the specified blocked gauge was achieved. Attach fringe after drying, and trim both ends evenly.

Final customer checklist

[ ] Check 20 stabilized stockinette stitches from start to finish. [ ] Count all 21 color bands, the charted row count per band. [ ] Confirm knitted length is close to 140 cm / 55.1 in at blocked gauge. [ ] Check five SOLID-COLOR tassel bundles on each end, alternating RED / IVORY / RED / IVORY / RED. [ ] Inspect both three-stitch garter borders for smooth tension. [ ] Weave every color-change tail through same-color stitches. [ ] Trim both fringe ends to matching lengths.

[ ] Check yarn care labels and block flat.

Troubleshooting

Issue Solution

Gauge differs Use a larger needle for too many stitches per 10 cm; smaller for too few. Re-swatch in the specified fabric.

Stitch count off: Recount all 20 stitches after each color change; do not add increases or decreases.

Stripe length wrong Count actual worked rows, not stabilized stockinette ridges. Each red/ivory block must be charted rows.

Border uneven Work knit stitches across all three edge stitches on BOTH RS and WS rows.

Fringe uneven: Make five solid-color bundles per end (RED, IVORY, RED, IVORY, RED), eight same-color strands per bundle; trim when attached.

Finished size incorrect Compare gauge and completed row/st counts to chart; assess blocking swatch before adjusting.

Customer notes

These are calculated design targets, not test-knitted measurements. Compare your blocked gauge, intended ease, finished garment size and decorations against wearer needs before use.