

Diamond Lace Bookmark

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A bit of lace with a beaded tassel makes a great bookmark!

Finished Measurements

2.25" wide, 8.5" long from cast on row to end of bead

Materials and Tools

- Lace weight yarn, small amount
- Knitting needles: US 1 (2.25 mm) double pointed needles - 2, or size to obtain gauge
- Stitch markers
- Yarn needle
- Beads for decoration

Gauge

24 sts, 28 rows = 4" over lace pattern, blocked

Abbreviations

BO - bind off

CO - cast on

k - knit

k2tog - knit two stitches together

p - purl

pssso - pass slipped stitch over knitted stitch on right hand needle

RS - right side

sl - slip stitch from left to right needle (knitwise, unless otherwise noted)

ssk - slip, slip, knit (slip 2 stitches individually knitwise to the right hand needle and knit them through the back)

st - stitch

WS - wrong side

yo - yarn over

Pattern Note

Bookmark is worked from the bottom up, then decorative bead tassel is added.

Instructions

CO 17 sts.

Knit 5 rows (garter stitch).

Row 6: K2, place marker, purl across row to last 2 sts, place marker, k2.

Row 7: K2, sl marker, (k2tog, yo) 3 times, k1, (yo, ssk) 3 times, sl marker, k2.

Row 8 (and all even numbered rows): K2, sl marker, purl across to last marker, sl marker, k2.



Row 9: K2, sl marker, k1, (k2tog, yo) 2 times, k3, (yo, ssk) 2 times, k1, sl marker, k2.
Row 11: K2, sl marker, (k2tog, yo) 3 times, k1, (yo, ssk) 3 times, sl marker, k2.
Row 13: K2, sl marker, k1, (k2tog, yo) 2 times, k3, (yo, ssk) 2 times, k1, sl marker, k2.
Row 15: K2, sl marker, (k2tog, yo) 3 times, k1, (yo, ssk) 3 times, sl marker, k2.
Row 17: K2, sl marker, k1, (yo, ssk) 2 times, yo, sl1-k2tog-*psso*, yo, (k2tog, yo) 2 times, k1, sl marker, k2.
Row 19: K2, sl marker, k2, (yo, ssk) 2 times, k1, (k2tog, yo) 2 times, k2, sl marker, k2.
Row 21: K2, sl marker, k1, (yo, ssk) 2 times, yo, sl1-k2tog-*psso*, yo, (k2tog, yo) 2 times, k1, sl marker, k2.
Row 23: K2, sl marker, k2, (yo, ssk) 2 times, k1, (k2tog, yo) 2 times, k2, sl marker, k2.
Row 25: K2, sl marker, k1, (yo, ssk) 2 times, yo, sl1-k2tog-*psso*, yo, (k2tog, yo) 2 times, k1, sl marker, k2.
Rows 27 - 56: Repeat rows 9 - 26, then rows 9 - 16.
Row 57: K2, sl marker, k1, (ssk, yo) 2 times, sl1-k2tog-*psso*, (yo, k2tog) 2 times, k1, sl marker, k2.
Row 59: K2, sl marker, k1, ssk, yo, ssk, k1, k2tog, yo, k2tog, k1, sl marker, k2.
Row 61: K2, sl marker, k1, ssk, yo, sl1-k2tog-*psso*, yo, k2tog, k1, sl marker, k2.
Row 63: K2, sl marker, k1, ssk, k1, k2tog, k1, sl marker, k2.
Row 65: K2, sl marker, k1, sl1-k2tog-*psso*, k1, sl marker, k2.
Row 67: K2, sl1-k2tog-*psso*, k2, removing markers as you knit across.
Row 69: K1, sl1-k2tog-*psso*, k1.
Row 71: K3tog.

Cut yarn leaving 8" tail and draw through last stitch. Thread beads onto yarn tail with floss threader or big-eye bead needle. Make tassel (see below). Thread yarn tail through top of tassel and back through beads. Weave end into bookmark. Press or block bookmark, applying starch if desired for stiffness.

Make Tassel

Wind yarn 40 times around a piece of cardboard 2.5" wide. Pass an 8" length of yarn threaded on a tapestry needle under the yarn at one side of the cardboard and tie tightly. Cut the yarn at the other side. Cut another 8" length of yarn and wrap around the "head" of the tassel about .75" from the tied end. With tapestry needle, pass ends from both lengths of yarn to the middle. Trim all ends evenly.

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