

## Old Shale Project

The Old Shale Project is a selection of lace scarf kits from Rare Purls Originals. The kits are available in many different colorways and we hope you enjoy the bit of mystery, that each grouping of yarns will turn out differently. We have carefully chosen yarns of different weights, textures, and colors, all to be knit in a familiar, classic pattern. The result will be a fashionable, generously sized scarf that is sure to be a wardrobe favorite. If you use two matching kits, there will be sufficient yarn for an elegant lace wrap. Please send us a photo of your finished project to [lmather@rarepurls.net](mailto:lmather@rarepurls.net), so Luke can add it to our photo gallery, part of the fun!

Each kit includes 3 skeins of yarns, hand matched to make your scarf or wrap gorgeous. The suggested needle size for your project will be the recommended needle size for the heaviest yarn of the 3 in your kit. A larger needle will give a lacier look, if desired. The stitch pattern is Old Shale, also known as Feather and Fan, a very popular and easy lace pattern. This stitch pattern requires a cast on in a multiple of 18, should you decide to alter the width of your project. We suggest a cast on of 36 for a scarf and 72 for a wrap.

In case your labels get lost, Yarn A is your heaviest yarn. Yarn B is the middle weight yarn, and Yarn C is the remaining lightest weight, complementary skein. If you choose to carry the yarns up the side of the wrap, it will save you from having to weave in many, many loose ends, but please be careful to keep the skeins from tangling as you knit. When working with three yarns in one row repeats, the next yarn will be waiting for you, once the progression is established.

<----- A  
B----->  
<-----C  
A-----> and so on

For scarf-  
Cast on 36 stitches.

### Old Shale Stitch Pattern

Row 1 - With Yarn A, knit across row

Row 2 - With Yarn B, purl across row

Row 3 - With Yarn C, (knit 2 together) 3 times, (yarn over, knit 1) 6 times, (knit 2 together) 3 times

Row 4 - With Yarn A, knit across row

Row 5 - With Yarn B, knit across row

Row 6 - With Yarn C, purl across row  
Row 7 - With Yarn A, repeat row 3  
Row 8 - With Yarn B, knit across row  
Row 9 - With Yarn C, knit across row  
Row 10 - With Yarn A, purl across row  
Row 11 - With Yarn B, repeat row 3  
Row 12 - With Yarn C, knit across row

Repeat these 12 rows until there is not enough of a skein to complete the row (3 times the width of the row), or to desired length. Use the remaining yarn to fringe the ends of the scarf, if desired.

If using 2 kits for a wrap -

Cast on 72 stitches. Work as for scarf, except on Row 3, Work Row 3 as follows.

Row 3 of Wrap - (Knit 2 together) 3 times, \*(yarn over, knit 1) 6 times, (knit 2 together) 6 times. repeat from \*, until 6 stitches remain, (knit 2 together) 3 times.

Work Rows 1 - 12, substituting Row 3 of wrap. Work project to desired length or until there is not enough of a yarn to complete a row (3 times the width of the row) If fringe is desired, use the remaining yarn to fringe the wrap.