

SKILL LEVEL: EASY | NEEDLES: 3.25 MM | TIME: WEEKEND PROJECT

MATERIALS & YARN SPECIFICATIONS

- Fingering weight yarn — Cobalt Blue (yardage not specified, will depend on tie length preference)
- Size 3.25mm knitting needles
- A tapestry needle
- Scissors
- Scrap yarn (for keeper loop)

Finished Sizing: Standard necktie measuring 2.375" (6cm) wide and between 57" – 59" (145 -150cm) in length.
Gauge Swatch (Tension): 28 stitches and 45 rows = 4" (10cm) in seed stitch

ABBREVIATIONS & CRAFT GLOSSARY

Abbr	Meaning	Abbr	Meaning
BO	Bind Off	**CO**	Cast On
Garter Stitch	Fabric created by knitting every row.	**K**	Knit
K2tog	Knit 2 Together	**Long Tail Cast On**	A method for casting on stitches.
P	Purl	**rep**	Repeat (implied by asterisks)
Seed Stitch	A texture created by alternating knit and purl stitches. Generally described as (K1, P1) but specific rows may alternate (P1, K1).	**Slip Knot**	A knot used to begin a cast on.
st(s)	Stitch(es)	**Weave In Ends**	A finishing technique to secure loose yarn end
Construction	The necktie is created from the bottom up and knitted flat from the cast-on edge.	**Shape**	A square/rectangular shape.
Texture Design	The entire necktie is knitted in seed stitch.	**Reversible**	The pattern is visible on both the right and wrong sides of your piece.
Stitch Repeats	The texture is created with a 2-Row Repeat Knit Stitch Pattern that easily lies flat.	**Fiber type**	Any kind of fiber will work with this pattern.
Color options	A solid color tie can be made. If adding colors, self-striping or variegated yarn is recommended as seed stitch does not create the cleanest stripes.		

Maker Notes & Tips:
- Always knit a gauge swatch before starting to ensure your finished tie matches the intended dimensions and look.
- This knit tie pattern uses fingering weight yarn for a lighter, more professional drape and appearance.
- The entire tie is worked in a seed stitch pattern, which is reversible and lays flat beautifully.

STEP-BY-STEP PATTERN INSTRUCTIONS

KNITTED NECK TIE: INITIAL CAST ON

1. 1. With Cobalt Blue, Cast on 17 stitches using the long tail cast on method.

KNITTED NECK TIE: MAIN BODY (SEED STITCH)

1. 1. Knit in seed stitch (knit 1, purl 1) until the work measures 21 inches (53.5 cm) in length.

KNITTED NECK TIE: DECREASE SECTION



1. 1. Row 1: K2tog, * K1, P1 *, K1 (16 stitches remain)
2. 2. Row 2: K2tog, * K1, P1 * (15 stitches remain)
3. 3. Rows 3 – 8: * P1, K1 *, P1
4. 4. Row 9: K2tog, * P1, K1 *, P1 (14 stitches remain)
5. 5. Row 10: K2tog, * P1, K1 * (13 stitches remain)
6. 6. Rows 11 – 16: * P1, K1 *, P1
7. 7. Row 17: K2tog, * P1, K1 *, P1 (12 stitches remain)
8. 8. Row 18: K2tog, * P1, K1 * (11 stitches remain)

KNITTED NECK TIE: UPPER BODY & FINISHING

1. 1. Knit in seed stitch (knit 1, purl 1) until the entire tie measures between 57 – 59 inches (145 -150cm) in length.
2. 2. Bind Off, Block, and Weave-In Ends.

OPTIONAL: KEEPER LOOP



1. 1. With scrap yarn, Cast on 15 stitches using the long tail cast on method.
2. 2. Knit 6 rows (in garter stitch).
3. 3. Bind off and do not weave in the end.
4. 4. Thread the loose end through your tapestry needle. On the side of the tie you want to be the back, place the keeper loop in the center. Use the loose end to tack the keeper loop about 9-11 inches (23-26 cm) above the bottom of the tie.
5. 5. Use another piece of scrap yarn to tack the other side of the keeper loop down.
6. 6. Block and finish.

FINISHING, BLOCKING & GARMENT CARE

Border & Weaving Ends

After binding off, use your tapestry needle to carefully weave in all remaining yarn tails. Secure them neatly into the wrong side of your knitted tie, ensuring no ends are visible on the right side. This step is crucial for a professional finish.

Blocking for Even Edges

Blocking is essential for knitted ties as it helps to even out your stitches and set the dimensions. Gently wet block your tie by soaking it in lukewarm water with a wool wash. Squeeze out excess water, then lay it flat on a towel, gently shaping it to the correct width and length. Pin it if necessary to maintain shape, and allow it to dry completely.

Washing & Home Care

To care for your beautiful handmade knit tie, always hand-wash in cool water using a gentle, wool-safe cleanser. Avoid harsh scrubbing or wringing. After washing, roll the tie in a clean towel to absorb excess moisture, then lay it flat to air dry away from direct sunlight or heat. This will help preserve its shape and the rich Cobalt Blue color for years to come.

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