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Log Cabin Scarf on a Rigid Heddle Loom Designed by Dorothy Tuthill

Log cabin design is formed by alternating dark and light threads, with a regular inclusion of two successive dark threads (or two successive light threads). The direct warping method requires modification in order to avoid crossing dark and light threads behind the heddle.

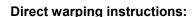
Yarn: Sport weight yarn @ 160-184yds/50g skein, in two colors with good contrast, 200 yds of each color for a

scarf about 70" long.

Loom: Rigid heddle loom with at least 7" weaving

width 12 dent heddle

2 shuttles



Set warping peg 90" from back apron bar (for ≈70" scarf).

1. Beginning with dark yarn at the right edge of the scarf, sley 1 slot (1 loop = 2 ends), *skip 1 slot, sley next slot, skip 1 slot, sley next slot. (You should have 3 loops for 6 ends.)

Skip 2 slots, sley next hole. Skip 1 hole, sley next hole, skip 1 hole, sley next hole (6 loops total made). Skip 1 slot, sley next slot, repeat from * until you have 21 loops and the scarf is 7 inches wide.

2. With light yarn, sley hole directly to the left of the 1st (right edge) sleyed slot. *Skip 1 hole, sley next hole, skip 1 hole, slev

next hole.

Skip 1 hole, sley next slot. Skip 1 slot, sley next slot, skip 1 slot, sley next slot. (6 light-color loops made.)

Skip 1 slot and the empty hole. Sley the next hole. Repeat from * until 21 loops have been made. The last light-color loop should be just to the left of the last (left edge) dark-color loop.

Tie warp bundle together, and cut warps at the peg. Wind warp onto beam, using paper or cardboard to separate rounds. Stop winding when 6-8 inches of warp remain in front of the heddle.

3. From the front of the loom, and starting on the right side, re-sley warp to fill all holes and slots by moving one end from each of the loops to the right:

If the loop is in a slot, move the end to the slot to the right; if the loop is in a hole, move the end to the hole to the right. When this is complete, all slots and holes should be filled, and the pattern should be:

Holes—(6 light, 6 dark) x 3, 6 light

Slots—(6 dark, 6 light) x 3, 6 dark.

Tie warp onto the front apron bar, and weave header, checking for errors.

Weaving and finishing instructions:

Using two shuttles, weave *(dark, light) x 4, (light, dark) x 4, repeat from * for as long as possible. Beat to get 10-12 picks per inch. Twist or knot fringe as desired. Hand wash in warm water with mild detergent. When nearly dry, steam press with a damp cloth. Trim fringe if needed.

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