

GET TO KNOW YOUR BRIOCHE - KNIT THE SWATCH!

Knit using worsted weight yarns on a US 7 needle. Gauge isn't critical since it's just for practice / learning! You'll want a locking marker for the 4-stitch decrease.

Abbreviations:

br4st dec - brioche 4 st decrease (worked over 5 sts): sl first brioche st knitwise, sl next st knitwise, place next brioche st on removable marker and hold in front of work, knit next st on LHN, pass slipped st on RHN over (1 st dec), sl st to LHN, pass next brioche st over (1 st dec), move st to RHN, pass first slipped brioche st over (1 st dec), sl st from marker to LHN, sl st on RHN to LHN and pass held brioche sts over (1 st dec), move st back to RHN.

Video tutorial:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cWiw_m_98Zs

br4st inc - brioche 4 stich increase: into 1 stitch (brk1, yo, brk1, yo, brk1).

Video tutorial:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=B48HwGXg9lQ>

brk - brioche knit: knit the stitch together with its shawl

brk2tog - knit 2 sts together with the associated shawl (1 st dec)

brkyobrk - brioche 2 stitch increase: into 1 stitch (brk1, yo, brk1).

Video tutorial:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AR_Lxfg12AY

brLsl dec - brioche left slant decrease (worked over 3 sts): sl brioche st knitwise, brk2tog next 2 sts together, pssso (2 sts dec).

Video tutorial:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4Ro_N4NCUDQ

brp - brioche purl: purl the stitch with its shawl

brRsl dec - brioche right slant decrease (worked over 3 sts): sl brioche st knitwise, knit next st, pssso, THEN sl st to LHN, pass next brioche st over from left to right, and sl remaining st back to RHN (2 sts dec).

Video tutorial:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5w3s_MYULtU

CC - contrast color

CO - cast on

dec - decrease(s/d)

inc - increase(s/d)

k - knit

LHN - left hand needle

MC - Main Color

p - purl

pssso - pass slipped stitch over

rep - repeat

RHN - right hand needle

RS - right side

sl - slip stitch purlwise (unless otherwise noted)

sl1yo - with yarn in front, slip stitch purlwise, move yarn over the top of the RHN into position to work the next stitch (to the back for a k or brk, to the back and to the front again between the needles for a p or brp); this creates a 'shawl' over the stitch

Slide - slide stitches to the other end of the needle

st(s) - stitches

Turn - turn work to the opposite side

WS - wrong side

wyib - with yarn in back

wyif - with yarn in front

yo - yarnover



Begin Swatch

Using MC, CO 35 sts using the Twisted German Cast on. Do not join to work in the round.

Row 1A (RS, MC): (K1, sl1yo) to last st, k1. Slide.

Row 1B (RS, CC): Sl1, join CC, (brp1, sl1yo) to last 2 sts, brp1, sl1 wyif. Turn.

Row 2A (WS, MC): P1, (sl1yo, brp1) to last 2 sts, sl1yo, p1. Slide.

Row 2B (WS, CC): Sl1 wyib, (brk1, sl1yo) to last 2 sts, brk1, sl1 wyib. Turn.

Row 3A (RS, MC): K1, (sl1yo, brk1) to last 2 sts, sl1yo, k1. Slide.

Row 3B (WS, CC): Sl1 wyif, (brp1, sl1yo) to last 2 sts, brp1, sl1 wyif. Turn.

Row 4A (WS, MC): P1, (sl1yo, brp1) to last 2 sts, sl1yo, p1. Slide.

Row 4B (WS, CC): Sl1 wyib, (brk1, sl1yo) to last 2 sts, brk1, sl1 wyib. Turn.

Rows 5-6 A & B: Rep [Rows 3-4 A & B] 1 time.

Row 7A (RS, MC): K1, (sl1yo, brk1) 3 times, sl1yo, brkyobrck, sl1yo, (brk1, sl1yo) 8 times, brk4st inc, sl1yo, (brk1, sl1yo) 3 times, k1. Slide [6 sts inc; 41 sts total]

Row 7B (RS, CC): Sl1 wyif, (brp1, sl1yo) 4 times, p1, sl1yo, (brp1, sl1yo) 9 times, (p1, sl1yo) 2 times, (brp1, sl1yo) 2 times, brp1, sl1 wyif.

Row 8A (WS, MC): P1, (sl1yo, brp1) to last 2 sts, sl1yo, p1. Slide.

Row 8B (WS, CC): Sl1 wyib, (brk1, sl1yo) to last 2 sts, brk1, sl1 wyib. Turn.

Rows 9-12 A & B: Rep [Rows 3-4 A & B] 2 times.

Row 13A (RS, MC): K1, (sl1yo, brk1) 3 times, sl1yo, brLsl dec, sl1yo, (brk1, sl1yo) to last st, k1. Slide. [2 sts dec; 39 sts total]

Row 13B (RS, CC): Sl1 wyif, (brp1, sl1yo) to last 2 sts, brp1, sl1 wyif. Turn.

Row 14A (WS, MC): P1, (sl1yo, brp1) to last 2 sts, sl1yo, p1. Slide.

Row 14B (WS, CC): Sl1 wyib, (brk1, sl1yo) to last 2 sts, brk1, sl1 wyib. Turn.

Row 15A (RS, MC): K1, (sl1yo, brk1) 13 times, sl1yo, br4st dec, sl1yo, (brk1, sl1yo) 3 times, k1. Slide. [4 sts dec; 35 sts total]

Row 15B (RS, CC): Sl1 wyif, (brp1, sl1yo) to last 2 sts, brp1, sl1 wyif. Turn.

Row 16A (WS, MC): P1, (sl1yo, brp1) to last 2 sts, sl1yo, p1. Slide.

Row 16B (WS, CC): Sl1 wyib, (brk1, sl1yo) to last 2 sts, brk1, sl1 wyib. Turn.

Row 17A (RS, MC): K1, (sl1yo, brk1) 5 times, sl1yo, brRsl dec, sl1yo, brkyobrck, sl1yo, brkyobrck, sl1yo, brLsl dec, sl1yo, (brk1, sl1yo) 5 times, k1. Slide.

Row 17B (RS, CC): Sl1 wyif, (brp1, sl1yo) 7 times, p1, sl1yo, brp1, sl1yo, p1, sl1yo, (brp1, sl1yo) to last 2 sts, brp1, sl1 wyif. Turn.

Row 18A (WS, MC): P1, (sl1yo, brp1) to last 2 sts, sl1yo, p1. Slide.

Row 18B (WS, CC): Sl1 wyib, (brk1, sl1yo) to last 2 sts, brk1, sl1 wyib. Turn.

Row 19A (RS, MC): K1, (sl1yo, brk1) 4 times, sl1yo, brRsl dec, sl1yo, brkyobrck, sl1yo, (brk1, sl1yo) 2 times, brkyobrck, sl1yo, brLsl dec, sl1yo, (brk1, sl1yo) 4 times, k1. Slide.

Row 19B (RS, CC): Sl1 wyif, (brp1, sl1yo) 6 times, p1, sl1yo, (brp1, sl1yo) 4 times, p1, sl1yo, (brp1, sl1yo) to last 2 sts, brp1, sl1 wyif. Turn.

Row 20A (WS, MC): P1, (sl1yo, brp1) to last 2 sts, sl1yo, p1. Slide.

Row 20B (WS, CC): Sl1 wyib, (brk1, sl1yo) to last 2 sts, brk1, sl1 wyib. Turn.

Row 21A (RS, MC): K1, (sl1yo, brk1) 3 times, sl1yo, brRsl dec, sl1yo, brkyobrck, sl1yo, (brk1, sl1yo) 4 times, brkyobrck, sl1yo, brLsl dec, sl1yo, (brk1, sl1yo) 3 times, k1. Slide.



Row 21B (RS, CC): Sl1 wyif, (brp1, sl1yo) 5 times, p1, sl1yo, (brp1, sl1yo) 5 times, p1, sl1yo, (brp1, sl1yo) to last 2 sts sts, brp1, sl1 wyif. Turn.

Row 22A (WS, MC): P1, (sl1yo, brp1) to last 2 sts, sl1yo, p1. Slide.

Row 22B (WS, CC): Sl1 wyib, (brk1, sl1yo) to last 2 sts, brk1, sl1 wyib. Turn.

Row 23A (RS, MC): K1, (sl1yo, brk1) 2 times, sl1yo, brRsl dec, sl1yo, brkyobrk, sl1yo, (brk1, sl1yo) 6 times, brkyobrk, sl1yo, brLsl dec, sl1yo, (brk1, sl1yo) 2 times, k1. Slide.

Row 23B (RS, CC): Sl1 wyif, (brp1, sl1yo) 4 times, p1, sl1yo, (brp1, sl1yo) 7 times, p1, sl1yo, (brp1, sl1yo) to last 2 sts sts, brp1, sl1 wyif. Turn.

Row 24A (WS, MC): P1, (sl1yo, brp1) to last 2 sts, sl1yo, p1. Slide.

Row 24B (WS, CC): Sl1 wyib, (brk1, sl1yo) to last 2 sts, brk1, sl1 wyib. Turn.

Row 25A (RS, MC): K1, sl1yo, brk1, sl1yo, brRsl dec, sl1yo, brkyobrk, sl1yo, (brk1, sl1yo) 8 times, brkyobrk, sl1yo, brLsl dec, sl1yo, brk1, sl1yo, k1. Slide.

Row 25B (RS, CC): Sl1 wyif, (brp1, sl1yo) 3 times, p1, sl1yo, (brp1, sl1yo) 9 times, p1, sl1yo, (brp1, sl1yo) to last 2 sts sts, brp1, sl1 wyif. Turn.

Row 26A (WS, MC): P1, (sl1yo, brp1) to last 2 sts, sl1yo, p1. Slide.

Row 26B (WS, CC): Sl1 wyib, (brk1, sl1yo) to last 2 sts, brk1, sl1 wyib. Turn.

Row 27A (RS, MC): K1, (sl1yo, brk1) to last 2 sts, sl1yo, k1. Slide.

Row 27B (WS, CC): Sl1 wyif, (brp1, sl1yo) to last 2 sts, brp1, sl1 wyif. Turn.

Row 28A (WS, MC): P1, (sl1yo, brp1) to last 2 sts, sl1yo, p1. Slide.

Row 28B (WS, CC): Sl1 wyib, (brk1, p1) to last 2 sts, brk1, move yarn to the front between the needles, sl1 wyif. Turn.

Break CC.

With RS facing and MC, bund off using the Elastic Bind Off Method.

