

# COLOR ON COLOR

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Irresistible color, imaginative piecework, and embellishment are the distinctive hallmarks of Kathryn Alexander's work. Her knitted garments fairly sing in their joyful exploration of the unexpected. For Kathryn, the process of knitting and inventing is as important as the outcome. She wants all her work to be so compelling that she can't lay it aside. "I pick the work up the first thing in the morning, think about it over lunch and dinner, and dream about it through the night." As she works, color and texture fly across her surfaces, keeping her hands and mind engaged. Each piece suggests another, and as she nears the completion of one, she anticipates beginning the next.

## NOTES

- ❖ This yarn comes in a "knot," which is 10 strands, each 30" (76 cm) long for a total of 8.33 yd (7.6 cm).
- ❖ This yarn is made up of three individual 2-ply strands loosely twisted together. Separate each strand into its three parts and work with two of those parts held together, unless instructed otherwise.
- ❖ Circular needles are used to hold large numbers of live stitches to avoid having to transfer these stitches to and from a holder.
- ❖ Size 5 (3.75 mm) needles are used unless otherwise specified.
- ❖ Although colors #484, #592, #890, and #940 are not specifically mentioned in the row-by-row instructions, use them in the random stripes of the I-cord fringes and for other embellishments.

## SCARF

### SECTION 1

With #612 and size 5 (3.75 mm) needles, CO 10 sts. Work 33 rows St st. Cut yarn, leave sts on needle. (See illustration on page 60.)

### SECTION 2

Change to #495. Work 33 rows rev St st. Cut yarn, leave sts on needle.

### SECTION 3

Change to #503. Work 33 rows St st. BO all sts.

## FINISHED SIZE

11" (28 cm) wide and 62" (157.5 cm) long, not including fringes and trims.

## YARN

Paternayan Persian Yarn (100% wool; 8 yd [7.4 m]/ $\frac{1}{2}$  oz [5.7 g]): #612, 6 knots; #503, #522, #662, and #853, 3 knots each; #301, #313, #332, #495, #513, #561, #573, #575, #582, #603, #630, #652, #693, #696, #700, #701, #723, #732, #751, #830, #862, #882, #890, #912, #931, and #952, 2 knots each; #342, #351, #484, #532, #541, #592, #633, #698, #699, #812, #832, #873, #893, #902, #922, and #940, 1 knot each. Yarn distributed by JCA.

## NEEDLES

Size 5 (3.75 mm): three 32" (80-cm) circular (cir); one 8" (20-cm) double pointed (dpn). Size 1 (2.25 mm) and size 2 (2.75 mm): 2 dpn each. Size 7 (4.5 mm): any size for binding off. Adjust needle size if necessary to obtain the correct gauge.

## NOTIONS

Stitch holders; tapestry needle; four  $\frac{7}{8}$ " (2.2-cm) metal buttons for covering (Dritz brand used here); scrap of thin silk cloth, about 12" (30.5 cm) square.

## GAUGE

17 sts and 23 rows = 4" (10 cm) in St st using two of the three 2-ply strands held together.

