

TRANSCRIPT

Tutorial - Garter Pickup

For the Carolina Waves Mystery Knit-along, we are going to be using a unique pick up stitchway out on the end of clue six. Now normally when we pick up stitches, we tend to find a hole, insert our needle through the other side, wrap our yarn around and pull it through.

Instead we have an edge here that's a garter stitch edge. It means that that stitch we knitted every single row. And so we have these little, what I call, garter stitch bumps here. That's what we're going to be picking up along the edge of the shawl. And it looks just like this where we have that little loop, kind of hugs over the top of the edge of the shawl. We're just gonna stick our needle right into it, wrap the yarn around, and pull it through. So it's kind of knitting with one needle here. So we're gonna go in to the next loop, wrap the yarn around and pull it through.

And you can do this into every garter stitch bump if you'd like to or if you feel that that is too snug or too tight, it depends on your gauge. It might be too wrinkled or bulky. You might wanna skip one every once in a while so you could skip this one, and go on to the next one. It's totally up to you. It's completely personable, personalize-able to your gauge. And so, that's all we're doing is going into all of those little garter bump stitches. And I'll show you what that looks like when I get to the end.

Here I'm coming up to the very end here. And completely up to you how you wanna handle that last stitch. I'm just gonna come in here kinda to the cast on edge. And I'm just gonna knit into it, just like that. Now the reason why I decided to pick up my stitches this way is one, it created a pretty front that was textured but not not wholly, you might see some gaps there if you skip some stitches but that's okay. But it also enabled the back to keep a nice thin, very thin line so you don't have a really bulky seam.

And that's really all there is to it. Of course if you want to pick up stitches in the usual way, feel free. This is completely your shawl and you can do it any way you'd like. Have fun.