TRANSCRIPT

Tuck Stitch Cable for Bright Tinsel Set

One of the great things about the Bright Tinsel Hat and Mitt set is the super fun tuck stitch tutorial. It's really a simple cable and great for beginners. And I'm going to walk you through how to do it.

The first stitch I'm going to show you is the two-one RP. Two stitches are going to be at the front of the work. One stitch indicated by the P back, there is going to be a purl stitch, and they're going to cross to the right, because we have that R there. Now, I'm going to show you how to work this with a cable needle and without a cable needle so that you can find whichever way works best for you. So let's get to that stitch now, because we know that we need two stitches to cross to the right at the front, that means we want to grab this first stitch because we know that's the one that's going to go to the back. And these instructions are also written in the pattern for you. So now we can work these two stitches directly on the needle, and that's going to immediately pull them over that back stitch. So with that first stitch slipped onto a cable needle and held at the back, we're going to knit two. And it might feel a little finicky with that cable needle back there. Just keep going. Now you can slip this stitch right back on the needle to work, or you just do what I do and that's work straight off of the cable needle and it's going to be a purl. So I'm just going to purl that stitch, move my yarn to the back. And you can see that we have crossed two stitches over one stitch from the back.

Now let me show you how to work the next stitch with a cable needle. Now, when you have the two-one LPC, that means that we are going to have two stitches at the front of our work. One stitch at the back, the L means that the stitches at the front are going to cross to the left. So they're pointing left and that one stitch with P indicates that it's going to be purled. So to work that with a cable needle, you kind of have to visualize that we know these two stitches are going to the left. So we're going to slip those onto our cable needle and hold them to the front. And we're going to purl that one back stitch right there. And this automatically you can vis, you can see how it already is set up to go over that one stitch. Now, again, I'm just going to work straight from the cable needle, and now I'm going to knit those two, making sure you bring your yarn from the front to the back between the needles. I'm going to knit those two stitches, like normal, just like that. So we have our two-one RPC and our two-one LPC right there.

Now to work those stitches without a cable needle, it's really just a matter of visualization and a little bit of bravery. First step, we have our two-one RPC, and you want to visualize it just as if you were going to use a cable needle. So you might remember that we slipped the first stitch back onto our cable needle so that we could work these two first. What that means is without a cable needle is I'm going to insert my needle into the front of both of those. And I'm going to pinch just like that really hard. And I'm going to do the brave thing. I'm going to pull my knitting needle out of all three stitches. And now I'm going to take that needle and immediately slide it right back into that one stitch. Now look at that setup. You could pretend that that is on a cable needle hanging at the back, and these two are about ready to be worked. So I'm going to slide them right back over. And now we have already changed their positions just as if we would have with the cable needle. And now they're ready to work just as you normally would. So we're going to knit the two that cross to the front. I'm going to purl the one that crossed at the back, just like that.

Now here's how that looks with the LP... the two-one LPC. We know these first two stitches, I'm gonna cross over to the left and that one stitch over here has to go behind. So what I'm going to do is I'm going to insert my needle from behind, and I'm going to grab it here. Now I'm going to do that pinch so that I don't drop those stitches, just like that. Be brave and insert your knitting needle back into those. Now that we have put this one to the back, I'm going to bring it over like this, put it back on the left hand needle, and now we're ready to work as the pattern indicates. So that first back stitch will be a purl and I split the yarn a little bit... That's okay. Purl, bring your yarn to the back and work our next two as knits. And there you go. That's been worked without a cable needle and there are our RPCs and our LPCs worked over three stitches.

Bright tinsel with the tuck stitch pattern is a really simple, great beginner cable pattern to learn from. And I hope that this tutorial gives you that headstart.