



# STRIPY SCRUNCHIES

Designed for Urth Yarns by Nina Holubcova

- Materials:** 12(16, 20)g of Urth Uneek Fingering or Uneek Sock Kit
- Sizes:** 1(2, 3), customizable
- Dimensions:** Finished scrunchie - 3.25(4, 4.75)"/8(10, 12)cm diameter; 0.75(1.25, 1.75)"/2(3, 4)cm width  
Before assembly - 19.75"/50 cm circumference x 1.5(2.5, 3.35)"/4(6, 8)cm height
- Needles:** US 3/3.00 mm circular needles, 9-16"/22- 40cm cord; same or smaller size needles for provisional CO
- Notions:** Tapestry needle; stitch marker; smooth, strong scrap yarn for provisional CO; approx. 2"/5 cm diameter hair tie
- Gauge:** 32 sts x 40 rows in stockinette stitch = 4"/10 cm square, exact gauge is not crucial

## Abbreviations:

Bet — Between  
CO — Cast on  
EOR — End of row/round  
Foll — Follow(s/-ing)  
LH — Left Hand  
Rep — Repeat  
RH — Right hand



Shown in Uneek Fingering, clockwise: size 1 in 3003, size 2 in 3024, size 2 in 3008, size 3 in 3009, size 1 in 3011, and size 3 in 3007

Rnd(s) — Round(s)  
RS — Right side  
St(s) — Stitch(es)  
Tbl — Through the back loop  
YO — Yarn over  
WS — Wrong side

**Pattern Notes:**

Knitting Stripy Scrunchies is a great way to use up any precious bits of leftover yarn, while practicing Provisional Cast On and a Modified 3 Needle Bind Off techniques on small, yet functional accessories. They are knit using any leftovers of either Uneek Fingering or Uneek Sock kit, 12(16, 20)g total per scrunchie. Combine several colorways within one scrunchie for a fun result if you have several smaller lengths. Besides the 3 provided sizes, it's easy to adjust the dimensions by knitting more or less rows, according to how much leftover yarn is available.

The scrunchies are worked seamlessly in the round in stockinette stitch, starting with a provisional CO (see Special Stitches for Italian Provisional CO; any other preferred provisional CO method can be used).

After knitting the desired number of rows (minimum 16 to make the bindoff comfortable), CO sts are transferred from the scrap yarn onto a 2<sup>nd</sup> circular needle.

After a hair tie is inserted, a modified version of 3 Needle Bind Off is used to join edges of the tube together to form the scrunchie.

Needles: Circular knitting needles are necessary, the circumference of the scrunchie is a little too large for standard sock DPNs.

Choose either shorter cord length needles suitable for hats and sleeves (9"/22cm); or longer ones and magic loop (16"/40cm).

A 2<sup>nd</sup>. same size or smaller circular needle is needed for picking up stitches from provisional cast-on when finishing, any cord length works. An optional extra DPN (or any other needle) might make the 3 Needle Bind Off finish easier.

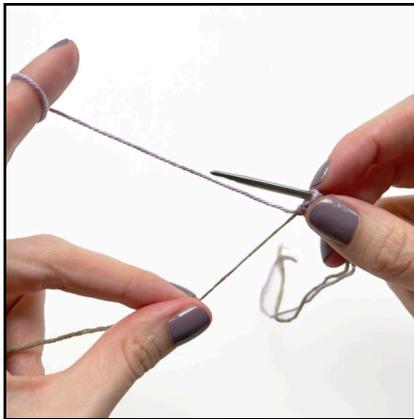
Notions: Strong, smooth yarn scraps (cotton, synthetic) are best for provisional CO techniques. A piece measuring at least 30"/75 cm is necessary. A simple 2"/5 cm diameter hair tie (ideally without metal connectors) is inserted after knitting, before bindoff.



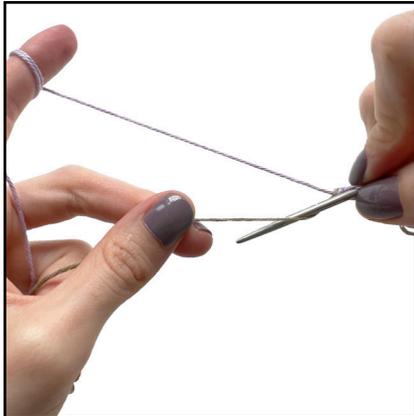
Size 1, shown in Uneek 3013

## Special Stitches:

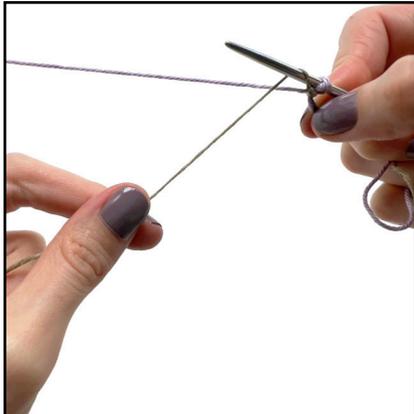
### Italian Provisional Cast On



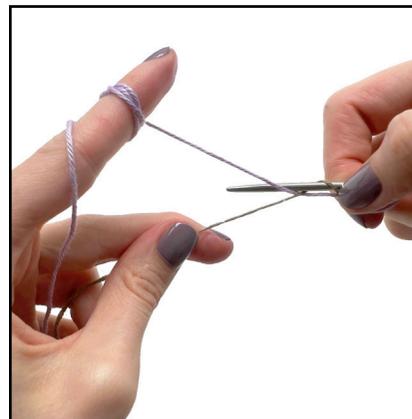
1. Make a slip knot holding a piece of scrap and working yarn together, and put it onto the RH needle. Wrap the scrap yarn around your index finger to tension it, hold the working yarn between your thumb and middle finger. The scrap yarn is on top, working yarn on the bottom.



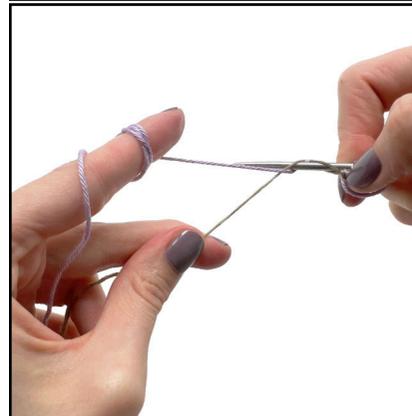
2. Move the RH needle down between the 2 strands of yarn, picking up the working yarn.



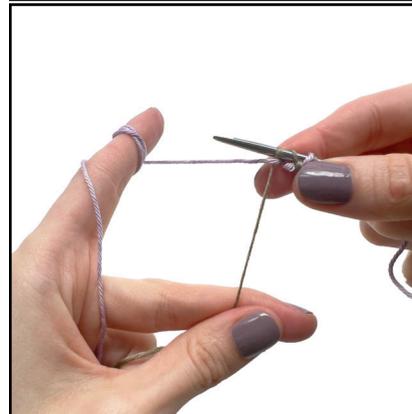
3. Continue moving the RH needle up and around, over the waste yarn. A knit-like stitch is created on the RH needle.



4. Bring the needle to the back, behind the scrap yarn.



5. Bring the needle downwards, under the working yarn and pick it up. A st with a purl-like bump is created on the LH needle.



6. Repeat steps 2-5 until you have the required number of stitches (160) on the RH needle. Twist the scrap and working yarns counter-clockwise to secure the last st, turn to work the first row, taking care to correct the mount of stitches when working the 1<sup>st</sup> row - knit all 'knit' sts tbl, knit all 'purl' bump sts through the front loop.

### Modified 3 Needle Bind-Off

A flat version of 3 Needle Bind-Off without a raised purl ridge on WS.



1. Slip the first st from the front LH needle knitwise onto the RH needle.



2. Insert the tip of the RH needle into the first st on the back LH needle purlwise.



3. Purl the stitch, taking it off the LH needle.



4. Insert the back LH needle into the slipped st on the RH needle purlwise, pass slipped stitch over the st just purlled - 2 sts bound off.



5. Slip the 1st st from the front LH needle knitwise onto the RH needle.

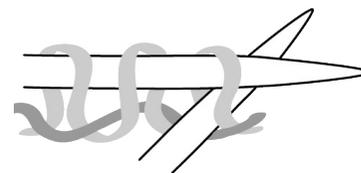


6. Purl the first st on the back LH needle.

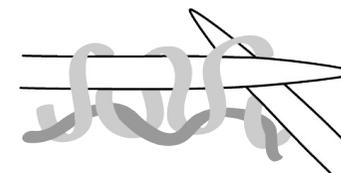


7. Insert the tip of the back LH needle purlwise into the 2 sts on the RH needle.

Correcting stitch mount



A 'purl' bump stitch, being knit through the front loop



A 'knit' stitch being knit through the back loop



8. Pass 2 stitches over the st just purled in step 6 - 2 sts bound off.



9. Repeat steps 5-8 until to EOR for a clean bindoff edge, until there's only 1 st on the RH needle. Insert the tip of the RH needle under 2 loops of the first bound off stitch, draw up a loop of working yarn, pass second stitch over the one just picked up. Fasten off.



Clockwise - size 1 in 3011, size 2 in 3008 and size 3 in 3009

### Pattern:

Using US 3/3.00mm needles and Provisional Cast-on method (see Special Stitches, page 3), CO 160 sts onto a piece of scrap yarn, turn.

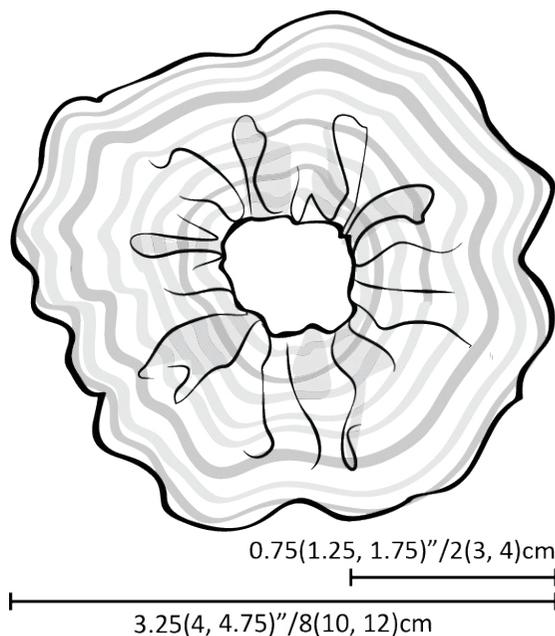
Row 1 (RS): Knit all to EOR, taking care to correct the mount of sts if necessary (knit all 'knit' sts tbl, knit all 'purl' bump sts).

Join for working in the round, taking care not to twist the sts.

Place a marker to denote EOR, slipping it as you go.

Knit all sts for 15(23, 31) more rounds, or until you run out of yarn, leaving enough for the bind off.

### Schematic:



### Finishing:

Place CO sts from scrap yarn onto a 2<sup>nd</sup> needle, correcting the mount of the sts if necessary.



1. Turn work WS out, with the CO edge towards the bottom. Place the hair tie around the middle of the tube.



2. Fold the CO edge upwards, lining it up with the BO edge to set up for the Modified 3 Needle Bind Off (see Special Stitches, pages 4-5)

Join and bind off all sts to EOR using the Modified 3 Needle Bind Off. Weave in all ends, pulling the yarn tails into the scrunchie.



Size 2 shown in Uneek Fingering 3008 and size 3 in 3007



Shown in Uneek Fingering, clockwise: size 3 in 3009, size 1 in 3011, size 3 in 3007, size 1 in 3003, size 2 in 3024 and size 2 in 3008