

KNITTED SILK TIE

15-INCH NECK

4 short steel knitting needles, size 18. 1 spool of Head & Son's silk, as above.

Cast on 54 stitches, join them in a circle and knit plain for 15 inches.

On the next round, knit 1, knit 2 stitches together in the front loops of the stitches, knit 22, knit the 26th and 27th stitches together in the back loops of the stitches, knit 1, knit the 29th and 30th stitches together in the front loops of the stitches, knit 22, knit the 53rd and 54th stitches together, in the back loops of the stitches.

Knit 4 plain rounds.

Repeat the above narrowing round and 4 plain rounds till you have 26 stitches left on the needles.

Knit for 15 inches, measured stretched, for the neck.

In the next round widen 2 stitches (picking up the stitches as you do for the thumb gusset of a glove) at each of the two edges of the tie, and knitting 1 plain stitch between the 2 stitches you increase on.

Knit 4 plain rounds.

Repeat these last 5 rounds till you have 54 stitches again on the needles. Knit for 10 inches. Cast off.

Sew up the ends, dampen and press the tie.

