

STITCH MASTER

Thread Guide for knitting a protective cover over fair
isle floats for Brother ribbers KR 830 and KR 850.

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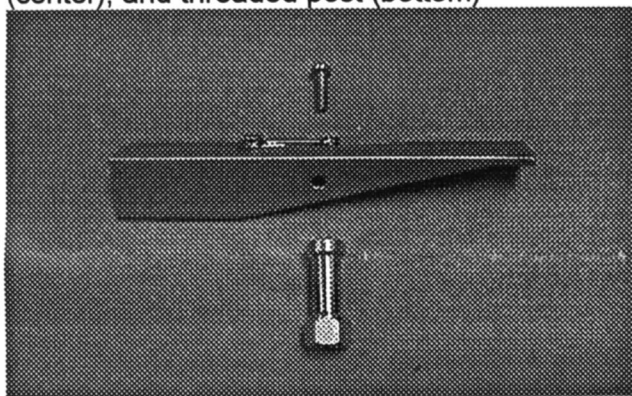
Dear Knitting Friend:

The Stitch Master you have purchased will fit on standard gauge Brother ribbers KR 830 or KR 850. Please read the following instruction carefully. We hope you will enjoy working with your new attachment.

In order to use the Stitch Master, you will need a second yarn tension unit. If you own a 4 color changer, you are all set.

Use your regular yarn tension unit for the basic and the contrast color. The yarn that will be used with the stitch master is threaded through the extra yarn tension unit.

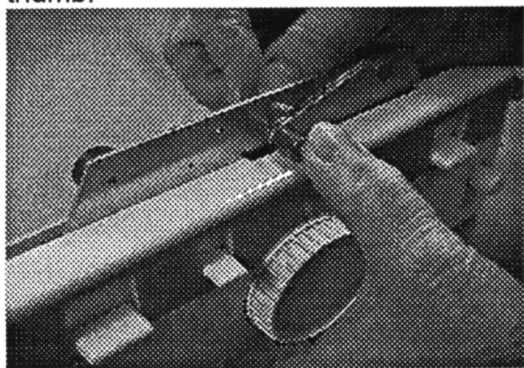
The Stitch Master consists of 3 parts: See picture below. Stitch master screw (top), stitch master (center), and threaded post (bottom)



Attaching the Stitch Master to the Ribber Carriage:

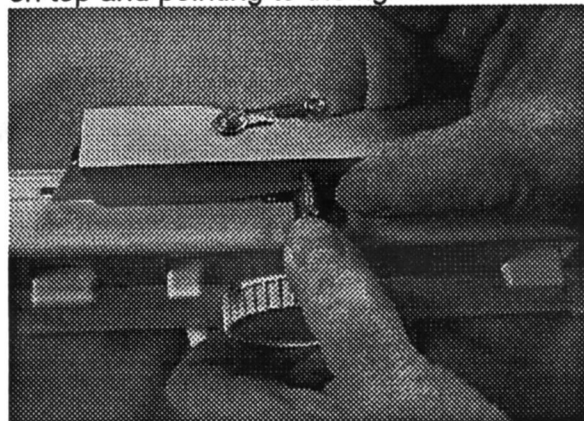
Remove the ribber carriage from the ribber bed. On the back side of the carriage find a round magnet on each side, and a long magnet in the center. With a Philips screwdriver remove the long magnet and store in a safe place. Replace carriage on ribber.

Tilt top of carriage away from ribber (toward you). Push the connecting pin down and hold with left thumb.



Insert stitch master screw through hole now visible just above connecting pin, threaded end of screw pointed toward you.

Keep connecting pin held down, place hole of the stitch master onto screw having yarn feeder eye on top and pointing to the right.



Fasten threaded post onto screw (like a nut).



Assembly is completed.

Important: Stitch Master must be removed from ribber carriage for any other regular doublebed work.

The magnet should be re-attached to the ribber carriage.

Note from Gerda: I did not re-attach the magnet to the ribber and have knitted several pieces of ribbing without a problem. This is not a suggestion, merely an observation.

Stitch Master Instruction

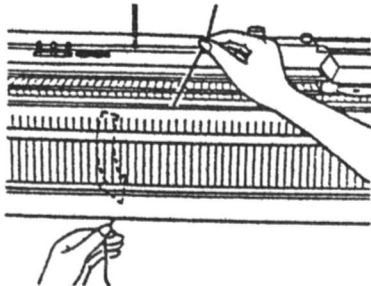
Cast on and knit your ribbing as usual.
After ribbing is knitted, transfer all stitches from ribber to main bed.

Drop ribber bed down to lowest setting. Remove ribber cast on comb.

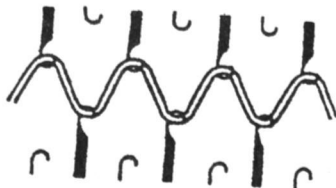
Remove ribber connector arm. Attach sinker plate to main carriage.
Push main bed carriage out to right extension rail.

Attach Stitch Master to ribber. (See attached sheet.)

Ribber carriage is on the right.
Push ribber bed all the way up up.
Push every other ribber needle to B-position (only for the width of your knitting).
Drop the end of your lining yarn between the two beds to the left of knitting and attach a small weight or clothes pin.

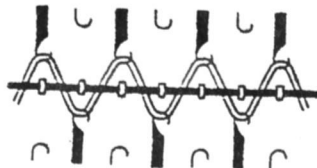


By hand, with your thin lining yarn, cast on a zigzag row as shown in illustration.



Make sure the lining yarn is not caught on the gate pegs.

Thread the lining yarn into the stitch master thread guide.
Insert ribber cast on comb into zigzag cast on. This can be tricky. It helps to drop the ribber just 2 mm, which can be done by pushing the side levers UP. (See Ribber Instruction manual page 14 for KR830).



Hang ribber weights on comb.

Please note:

As you start knitting on the ribber only, push the carriage slightly against the needle bed.
With ribber carriage only, knit 3 rows. Push carriage to left end of bed.
Drop ribber bed 1 step.

With main bed ready for fair isle, knit one row with main carriage. Your fair isle pattern will be selected. Continue knitting in fair isle as usual for a total of 10-14 rows. Push main bed carriage onto right extension rail.

On ribber only, knit 8-10 rows lining. (After you have knitted 6 rows, I advise to push 2 needles on each end to E-position before knitting. The end needles will knit better.) Attach a claw weight hanger on each side of the lining and attach a small ribber weight.

Repeat knitting 10-14 rows of fair isle and then 8-10 rows of lining once or twice.

You are now ready to anchor the net to the fair isle knitting:

Push ribber bed all the way up.
Transfer lining stitches to main bed as follows:
The 3rd stitch on either end, and then approx. every 8th stitch (not counting the needles in A-position). Push empty needles back to B-position. (The empty needles will pick up a stitch as you continue knitting the net.)

This will, however, result in small holes in the lining. To avoid the holes:

After transferring the stitches, pick up the little bar just below the transferred stitch and hang it onto the empty ribber needle.

After transfer stitches, drop ribber 1 step.

Ribber needles will be very uneven - but you can align them in B-pos. once the next group of fair isle rows has been knitted.

Repeat anchoring stitches about every 20 to 40 rows. Always transfer the 3rd stitch from the edge on both sides. But instead of transferring the 8th stitch, transfer the 4th and then the 8th.

When fair isle knitting is finished, push ribber all the way up and transfer all stitches to main bed. Finish knitting in the usual manner.