Weave-R II

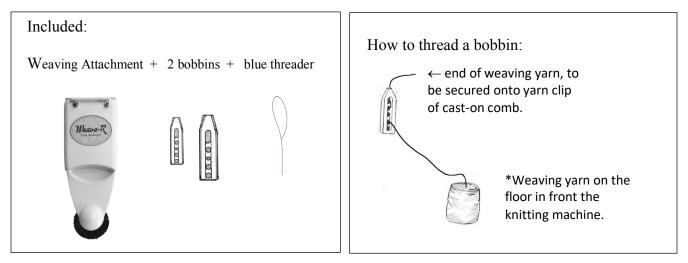
Weaving attachment for Brother KX & Convertible Knitting Machines

Create unique woven designs on your knitting machine with the new Weave-R II attachment. A woven fabric is created when a contrast yarn is woven between the selected needles. The woven design will show on the Purl side. Try different types of yarn to create interesting textured effects.

The Weave-R II attachment is a variation of the original Weave-R for Silver Reed machines, it has been adapted to fit these Brother KX & Convertible machines:

- 7mm: KX-350, 355, 360, K60.
- 4.5/9mm: KH-390, 395, 400

Your Weave-R II attachment comes with 2 bobbins, (1 Lg & 1 Sm), and a blue threader. *Choose your bobbin based on the thickness of the yarn you will weave with. Extra bobbins can be purchased.



How to use the Weave-R II attachment:

For simplicity sake let's try a simple **1x1** woven design.

- 1. Cast on with waste yarn as you normally would and knit a few rows.
- 2. Now use your Main yarn and knit a few rows.
- 3. Thread one of the bobbins with weaving yarn as shown above. The more holes that it is threaded through, the tighter it will hold. A blue flexible dental type threader is included. A curved darning needle may also be used. Pull the yarn through the bobbin until you have a little more length than the needles in use. Secure the end of the weaving yarn into the yarn clip on the cast-on comb. The bobbin'd side should hang over the opposite side as the secured end to start. *Using bobbins or not, is a matter of preference, sometimes I just hold the end of the weaving yarn in my hand – other times I use a bobbin.



- 4. Turn up your tension dial a number or two to accommodate the weaving yarn. (you can play with this and see what works best when working on a real project).
- 5. Manually Push or use needle selector tool to push every other needle to E position. OR

Using Needle Beetle II needle selector, you push the first 8 needles out to the desired stitch arrangement, then zip the Needle Beetle II across the needle bed and it will push all the selected needles out to E position. *Needle Beetle II works with any 8-stitch pattern.

6. Lay the weaving yarn over the needles in E position as shown.



Set the Weave-R II on the needle bed as shown, on the carriage side, now push it across the needle bed. Don't push too fast as this could cause mis-patterning. A medium speed is fine.



All the needles in B position and E position are now aligned into *forward D position*. You will see that your weaving yarn is now woven in between every other needle and held securely in place ready to be knit with main carriage.

- 7. You can now push your main carriage across, thus knitting in the woven yarn into the knitted fabric.
- 8. Repeat steps 5-8.

For a Video demonstration see here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bvvXUmyk_yM&t=7s

MORE INFO.....

•A couple great references for pattern ideas:

These 2 books can be downloaded for free and are full of stitch patterns that include some weaving patterns:

http://machineknittingetc.com/jones-knitting-pattern-book-8-stitch.html

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•Here is a fun site, a mosaic/slip stitch pattern generator that may also be used for weaving designs. You can set it any way you want. The patterns are endless!!

https://laurakogler.net/processing/mosaicKnitting/

•Combine using your Weave-R II accessory with the Needle Beetle II to speed up more complicated, 8-stitch, multi-row designs. See here for more info on the Needle Beetle II: https://www.kriskrafter.com/product-page/needle-beetle-ii

https://www.kriskrafter.com/product-page/needle-beetle-needle-selector
Diana Sullivan has made a great video demonstrating the use of both Needle Beetle & Weave-R
here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jTb9tId-X_Q
*demonstrated on an LK-150 but the method is the same.

•Another use for the Weave-R II accessory... Have you ever knitted with a yarn that is particularly sticky/tough to knit? (Such as many cotton yarns.) Or find that when making cables it is hard to push your carriage across? If you run the Weave-R II across the needles prior to knitting a row, it will push all the needles out to working C position and make it easier to push the carriage across and lessen the risk of dropping stitches. Susan Gaugliumi demonstrated this very use on another accessory called a P Carriage. I tried it with the Weave-R II and it really works well.

Check out my Kriskrafter website to see other knitting machine accessories. www.kriskrafter.com