

Tutorial for Trude Guermonprez's Lateral Cable

[A few weeks ago](#), I was delighted to find Dragoncrafter's instructions on making a lateral cable. This week I've been studying [Dragoncrafter's Knitty article on Tree motifs](#) – It's just so *cool*.

Her instructions are clear, but perhaps there is someone else like me who likes to peek over a knitter's shoulder for tricky techniques?

To begin with, you need either to M1, or have a knit stitch from the previous row that you want to go sideways, like I do in the photo below.



Slip the next stitch as if to purl.



Insert the left needle into both of the stitches on the right needle, from front to back starting with the slipped stitch.



Remove your right hand needle, the two stitches have now been 'flipped.' Knit the flipped stitches.

Continue to slip, flip, knit, knit across.



Ending off neatly is a bit of a challenge. If one row is all you want, then decrease two at then end, to get your stitch count back to where it was. If you want a thicker lateral cable, [Chiyo no saro](#) suggests knitting-back-backwards – or in this case, slip, flip, knit, knit - backwards.