2-Colour Long-Tail Cast On

The two-colour long-tail cast-on works well for starting 2-colour brioche knitting projects in the round, and more. For brioche projects, either use a needle three sizes larger than your project calls for, or cast on over two of the project-size needles, as shown here.

This variation makes the bottom "nubs" all one colour on one side, and the other colour on the opposite side. To have the colours alternate on both sides, use this same method, EXCEPT: Start with colours reversed. Do Steps 1 & 2, then skip to step 6. After adding each stitch, change the position of the yarns, and ONLY pick up stitches through the loop on your thumb.

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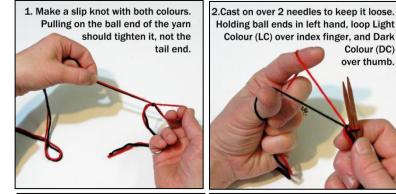**My Secret Wish**
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1. Make a slip knot with both colours. Pulling on the ball end of the yarn should tighten it, not the tail end.

2. Cast on over 2 needles to keep it loose. Holding ball ends in left hand, loop Light Colour (LC) over index finger, and Dark Colour (DC) over thumb.

3. Insert needles behind LC yarn coming off back of index finger, creating a loop with yarn to needles.

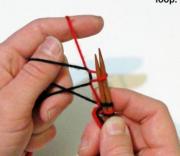4. Use needles to catch DC and pull back through the LC loop.

5. Tug on loop to tighten stitch.

6. Go under DC yarn coming off front of thumb and down to hand, creating a loop.

7. Catch LC yarn and pull back through loop.

8. Tug on yarns to tighten stitches on needles.

9. After you have cast on several stitches, pull your original slip knot off the needles.

10. Cast on required number of stitches, remove one needle, and you're done!