

Flower tea cosy and coasters



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Materials

- 30g Soft yellow DK (8-ply)
Yarn used: 40% Nylon, 30% Wool, 30% Acrylic
- Small amounts of DK in various colours

Needles

- 3.5mm Bamboo Knitting Needles "Takumi" Single Pointed
- 3.5mm Bamboo Knitting Needles "Takumi" Double Pointed (16 cm)

Additional tools

- Mni Flower Loom (Art No. 3139)
- Pom-Pom Maker (Small) (35 mm) (Art No. 3124)
- Amour Crochet Hook (Art No. 1052)
- Gold Eye Chenille Needle (Art No. 234/18)

Tension

- 24 sts x 30 rows over St st = 10cm x 10cm

Abbreviations

St (s): stitch (es)

K: knit

P: purl

K2tog: knit two together

*This cosy will fit a medium size pot, approx. 9cm in bottom diameter and 15cm in height.

Cosy

Front

**With Soft yellow DK, cast on 44 sts.

Note: The first row is a RS row.

Rows 1-4: P1, [p3, k3] to last st, k1.

Rows 5-8: K1, [k3, p3] to last st, p1.

These 8 rows form pattern.

Rows 9-40: repeat rows 1-8 four times.

Rows 41-44: Repeat rows 1-4. **

Place Front sts on hold and set aside.

Repeat from ** to ** to make the Back piece.

Join the Front and Back pieces and shape top in the round as follows:

Place the Front and Back sts next to each other on DPNs, dividing the sts equally and join to work in the rounds. 88 sts

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Round 1: [K4, k2tog, k3, k2tog] to end. 72 sts

Rounds 2-3: K 2 rounds

Round 4: [K4, k2tog] to end. 60 sts

Round 5: Knit.

Round 6: [K3, k2tog] to end. 48 sts

Round 7: Knit.

Round 8: [K2, k2tog] to end. 36 sts

Round 9-10: K 2 rounds.

Round 11: [K1, k2tog] to end. 24 sts

Round 12: Knit.

Round 13: [K2tog] to end. 12 sts

Break yarn, draw through sts, pull tightly and fasten off.

Flowers

Make 16 flowers with circular loom and 16 flowers with square loom, using colour of your choice. Follow the basic instruction given in the attached leaflet.

Wind yarn twice all round and darn as the basic darning.

After darning is complete, thread yarn end used for petals and insert needle through centre a few times and cut yarn.

Repeat for the other end.

Pompom

Make a pompom with 35mm pompom maker, using colour of your choice.

Wind yarn as much as you can to make a fairly dense pompom.

To make up

Beginning at cast-on edge, sew side seams closed for 2cm up from base of cosy.

Leave an opening, then sew the remaining seam close, beginning 2cm down from where pieces are joined in the round.

Arrange and attach flowers, referring the photograph.

Attach the pompom at the top.

Coaster

1. Make 1 flower, using square loom. Wind yarn around pegs twice around.
2. To work second flower, cut yarn to about 1 m and thread through a tapestry needle. Insert end firmly through slit and start winding yarn around pegs.
3. Thread through bottom layer loop to connect to first flower.



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4. Wind around pegs twice.
At the second round, simply wind yarn around each peg without threading through petals.



5. Finish second flower. Continue making flowers as you connect.
You need to connect two side edges sometimes to make a square with 9 flowers.
6. From one edge of connected flowers, transfer 4 bottom loops from each flower to a knitting needle.



Row 1 (WS): With WS facing, join soft yellow DK, p4, pfb, p3, pfb, p3. 14 sts
Rows 2-4: Knit.
Cast off k-wise.

7. Repeat step 6 on the opposite side of the coaster.
8. With RS facing, join yarn to one of the beginning of remaining edges and pick up 2 sts from knitted edge, pick up 4 bottom loops from each flower, pick up 2 sts from knitted edge. 16 sts

Row 1 (WS): P5, pfb, p3, pfb, p6. 18 sts
Rows 2-3: Purl.
Cast off p-wise.

