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Twisty Tea Cosy pattern

Materials

1 x 50g ball SWTC Karaoke or DK yarn of your choice (yarn A)

1 x 50g ball Katia Pinta Print (yarn B)

4mm needles

2 x 4mm double-pointed (dp) needles (optional)

8 x stitch markers

Abbreviations

M1: Make a stitch by picking up loop in between the stitches and knitting into the back of it.

SM: slip marker from left to right needle

MT: Make spiral. Join in yarn B. Using dp needle knit next st. Using this st and second dp needle cast on 19sts (20 sts). K2tog 10 times. Slip remaining st onto left-hand needle and knit with yarn A. Break off yarn B.

Instructions

Sides (make 2)

With 4mm needles and yarn B cast on 40sts.

Row 1: Purl

Row 2: Knit

Join in yarn A and break off yarn B.

Row 3: Using yarn A, knit and AT THE SAME TIME place markers after 5th, 15th, 25th and 35th sts.

Row 4 and every even numbered row: Purl

Row 5: Knit to 1 st before 1st marker, M1, SM.

Knit to 1 st before 2nd marker, M1, SM. Knit to 3rd marker, SM, M1. Knit to 4th marker, SM, M1.

Row 7: Knit to 1 st before 1st marker. MT. Knit to 1 st before 2nd marker. MT. Knit to 3rd marker. SM. MT. Knit to 4th marker. SM. MT. Knit to end.

Row 9: As row 5

Row 11: Knit

Row 13: As row 5

Row 15: As row 7 BUT for MT cast on 18 sts and k2tog 9 times.

Row 17: As row 5

Row 19: Knit

Row 21: Knit to 1st marker, K2tog, SM. Knit to 2nd marker, K2tog, SM. Knit to 3rd marker, SM, K2tog. Knit to 4th marker, SM, K2tog.

Row 23: As row 7 BUT for MT cast on 16 sts and k2tog 8 times.

Row 25: As row 21

Row 27: Knit

Row 29: As row 21

Row 31: As row 7 BUT for MT cast on 14 sts and k2tog 7 times.

Row 33: As row 21

Row 35: Knit

Row 36: Purl

Leave this side on a spare needle.

When the second side has been completed to Row 36, Join in yarn B and KNIT across all sts on 2nd side AND 1st side to join the pieces together. Leave markers in place.

Row 38: Knit

Row 39: Purl

Join in yarn A

Row 40: Purl

Row 41: (with right side facing) Knit

Row 42: (P to 2 st before marker, P2tog, SM, P2tog) repeat to end.

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Row 43 and every odd numbered row to Row 51:
Knit

Row 44, 46 and 48: As row 42

Row 50: Purl, removing markers as you go

Row 51: K2tog across row

Row 52: Purl

Join in yarn B

Row 53: As row 51

Row 54: Knit

Row 55: P2tog across row

Row 56: K3tog

With remaining 1 st, MT, casting on 29 sts
(30sts)

Fasten off.

Making Up

Using tail from top spiral, secure spiral and sew seam together only as far as the yarn B goes.

Using yarn A continue to sew seam to approximately 3cm past the yarn B ridge.

On the other side opening, sew seam to approximately 3cm past the yarn B ridge.

Using yarn B join bottom of each side where yarn B is at the bottom of the cosy.

You should now sew in any remaining loose ends apart from those on the spirals which can be neatly knotted and cut. They will be hidden by the lining

Lining

Cut 2 rectangles from your lining fabric 30cm x 16cm and cut a circle with a diameter of 12cm.

With the wrong side of your tea-cosy facing outwards lay one piece of the lining fabric onto one side of the cosy. Turning under 1cm all the way round, stitch the lining directly onto the cosy along the bottom edge and up the 2 sides. Repeat for the second side, catching the 2 lining pieces together above the spout and handle holes.

Lay the circle on the top of the cosy. Pin it in place and with 1cm turned under stitch around the circle to secure it to the tops of the side lining pieces.

IT'S NOT NECESSARY TO FIT THE LINING PERFECTLY AS ANY BAGGYNESSE ALLOWS A BIT OF STRETCH IN THE KNITTING

