

Hand sanitiser pouch

A knitting pattern by John Avocado



Description

A small pouch to carry a travel bottle of hand sanitiser and attach to a bag or purse. This was designed for the Dettol 50ml bottles sold in Australia, but can be easily adapted for other types.

Information

Size: about 5cm (2") wide, and 10cm (4") high

Needles: 2.75mm (US size 2) double pointed needles (DPNs), or 80cm circular needle if you prefer the magic loop method for knitting in the round.

Yarn: Morris & Sons Avalon 4-ply, or any fingering weight cotton yarn, about 10g.

Additional materials: Sewing needle to weave in ends. One stitch marker to mark beginning of round if required.

Tension: 28 st per 10cm (but it's not especially important).

Abbreviations

3NBO three-needle bind-off

BO bind off

CO cast-on

K knit

K1b knit 1 below

Kfb knit front back

P purl

Rnd round

RS right side

Sl slip

St stitch

WS wrong side

Wyib with yarn in back

Wyif with yarn in front

Instructions

Cast on

CO 24 st using the German twisted cast-on, or your favourite stretchy cast-on. If using DPNs, place 8 st on each needle.

Ribbing

Join to work in the round, being careful not to twist the stitches. Work 8 rounds of 1x1 ribbing:

Rnd 1: [k1, p1] rep to end.

Ends 2-8: rep rnd 1

Transition (optional)

To make the transition from the ribbing to the stocking stitch section look neater, work 1 round as follows:

Rnd 1: [k1b, k1] rep to end

Main body

Rnd 1: [k1, kfb, k3, kfb, k2] rep around. (If working on DPNs, this round is worked on each needle as: [k1, kfb, k to last 3 st on needle, kfb, k2]) (30 st)

Rnd 2 (buttonhole): k4, sl1 wyif, sl1 wyib, BO 1st sl st, sl1 wyib, BO 1 st (total 2 bound off). Return 1 st to left needle.

Turn work and CO 3 using cable cast-on with WS facing. Turn work and with RS facing, sl1, BO1, return 1 st to left needle, k to end.

Then work in rounds of stocking stitch:

Rnd 1 and all subsequent ends: k to end.

Triangle motif (optional)

If working the triangle motif, begin this section on rnd 14, otherwise continue in stocking stitch.

Rnd1: k7, p1, k to end

Rnd 2: k6, p3, k to end

Rnd 3: k5, p5, k to end

Rnd 4: k4, p7, k to end

Rnd 5: k3, p9, k to end

Rnd 6: k2, p11, k to end

Rnd 7: k1, p13, k to end

Rnd 8: p15, k to end

Then continue working in stocking st until piece measures 10cm (for me, this was 26 rounds of stocking stitch after the rubbing).

Bind off

Arrange stitches evenly over two needles (15 st on each needle). Turn piece inside-out so WS faces, and bind-off using 3NBO, drawing yarn through last remaining st.

Hanging loop

With RS facing, using a DPN, pick up 4 st wherever you want the hanging loop to be attached (I attached mine in the same row as the buttonhole, and roughly on the opposite side of the piece).

To pick up stitches: insert needle into the right leg of each of four adjacent stitches.

Then attach yarn, and work i-cord for 10cm.

To work i-cord: k across, slide work to right end of needle, and without turning work, k across. Repeat for as many rows necessary to reach desired length.

BO

Finishing

Use the tail from the i-cord to attach an appropriately sized button.

Weave in ends.

Blocking isn't necessary for this piece, but washing and drying will even the stitches out a bit and make the piece look tidier.

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