



OCTAGON Pillow

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Dimensions:

Gauge:

10cm = 9 stitches worked in stockinette stitch, measured after blocking.

Level: Easy

Materials:

Yarn: Bio Bee by Borgo de'Pazzi (100% wool – 100 g. +/- 90m.): 400 g. (4 skeins).

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10 and 12 mm circular needles with 80 cm cable

Stitch markers, row counter, waste yarn, tapestry needle.

Stitches&Abbreviations:

k: knit.

p: purl.

ktbl: knit through the back loop.

Y/O: yarn over

M1L: with the left needle pick up the bar between the 2 stitches from the front, then knit through the back of the loop.

M1A: put on hold 1 stitch on the back side of the work, knit 1 stitch, y/o, knit then the stitch previously put on hold.

M1B: put on hold 1 stitch on the front side of the work, knit 1 stitch, y/o, knit then the stitch previously put on hold.

IncrA: put on hold 1 stitch on the back side of the work, knit 1 stitch, knit then the stitch previously put on hold.

IncrB: put on hold 1 stitch on the front side of the work, knit 1 stitch, knit then the stitch previously put on hold.

Special techniques:

I-cord edge

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lj8aSPnAcjs>

With the working yarn cast on 3 stitches and knit them. Slip them back on the left needle, knit 2 stitches and then knit 2 stitches together through the back loop. From now on you will work all stitches of the circle. Slip every time back 3 stitches and then knit 2 stitches and knit 2 stitches together through the back loop.

Repeat this procedure till you finish all stitches of the circle. Close the remaining stitches together with the first three stitches you extra casted on.

Cut the yarn and weave in the ends.

Magic Loop

Cast on:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4Vkpqdea-6o&t=187s>

Procedure

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IdSpc0EZpnk>

INSTRUCTIONS

With 10 mm tips and 80 cm cable cast on 8 stitches with Emily Ocker's Method (see link Cast On). Place a stitch marker showing the beginning of the round and with Magic Loop Technique (see link Procedure) knit 1 round. Proceed then as follows:

Round 1: (k1, M1L) 8 times (16 stitches).

Round 2 and all even round: k (knit all eventual y/o through the back loop).

Round 3: (k1M1L) 16 times (32 stitches).

Change the tips and with 12 mm ones work from Round 5 as follows:

Round 5: (IncrA, IncrB) 8 times.

Round 7: (M1A, M1B) per 8 volte.

Round 9: k1, (IncrA, IncrB, k2) per 7 times, IncrA, IncrB, k1.

Round 11: k1, (M1A, M1B, k2) 7 times, M1A, M1B, k1.

Round 13: k2, (IncrA, IncrB, k4) 7 times, IncrA, IncrB, k2.

Round 15: k2, (M1A, M1B, k4) 7 times, M1A, M1B, k2.

Round 17: k3, (IncrA, IncrB, k6) 7 times, IncrA, IncrB, k3.

Round 19: k3, (M1A, M1B, k6) 7 times, M1A, M1B, k3.

Round 21: k4, (IncrA, IncrB, k8) 7 times, IncrA, IncrB, k4.

Round 23: k4, (M1A, M1B, k8) 7 times, M1A, M1B, k4.

Round 25: k5, (IncrA, IncrB, k10) 7 times, IncrA, IncrB, k5.

Round 27: k5, (M1A, M1B, k10) 7 times, M1A, M1B, k5.

Round 29: k6, (IncrA, IncrB, k12) 7 times, IncrA, IncrB, k6.

Round 31: k6, (M1A, M1B, k12) 7 times, M1A, M1B, k6.

Round 33: k7, (IncrA, IncrB, k14) 7 times, IncrA, IncrB, k7.

With 10 mm tips work Round 34, cast on 3 new stitches and work the i-cord edge.

Work a second octagon following the instructions for the first one.

Finishing:

put the two octagons one on the other with the right side outside and join the i-cord edges with the kitchener stitch. let about 15 cm open in order to insert the padding and then join the two parts till the end.

