Mug Cosy

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this is the first pattern I've written, please let me know of any mistakes

Size: to fit large mug

Materials: Yarn: an oddment of aran (worsted) weight wool (I used less than half a 50g ball); Needles: set of 5mm DPNs; a cable needle



Abbreviations:

sl1 = slip 1 stitch purlwise

C4F = cable 4 forward – slip next 2 stitches onto a cable needle, hold in front of work, knit next 2 stitches on left-hand needle and then knit 2 stiches from cable needle

Directions:

Cast on 44 stitches, distribute over 3 (or 4 if you prefer) DPNs and join (being careful not to twist stitches), then in the round work 3 rounds of k1 p1 rib.

Next row (right side): p4 [k4, p4] 5 times, turn

from this point on you are working backwards and forwards not in the round (to begin with you will need to work on 3 or 4 needles but after a few rows should be able to switch to using just 2)

Next row (wrong side): sl1, p3 [p4, k4] 5 times

Next row: sl1, p4, [C4F, p4] 5 times Next row: sl1 k3 [p4, k4] 5 times

Continue in pattern as follows:

R1: sl1 p3, [k4, p4] 5 times R2: sl1, k3 [p4, k4] 5 times R3: sl1, p4, [C4F, p4] 5 times R4: sl1 k3 [p4, k4] 5 times

Work in pattern until cosy is long enough to reach around the handle of your mug, ending after row1 (slip the stitches onto a piece of waste yarn to test if you need to).

Now distribute the stitches between your DPNs, rejoin, and work 3 rounds of k1 p1 rib. Cast off loosely in rib.

If you crochet, you could crochet around the handle-hole for a neater finish.



