

Yarn Bomb



Materials:

small amounts of black, white, red, orange, and yellow worsted weight yarn (i.e., Red Heart Super Saver)

US5/ 3.75mm DPNs--set of 4

tennis ball or toy stuffing

stitch markers

tapestry needle

Gauge: 6sts/inch in St st

Note: We're knitting from the bottom up

Instructions:

Bomb:

With black yarn, CO 9 sts placing 3 on each needle. Join to work in the rnd, careful not to twist. Place marker.

rnd 1: Knit

rnd 2: (K1, M1, K1, M1, K1) repeat on other two needles. (15 sts)

rnd 3: Knit

rnd 4: (K1, M1, K to last st on needle, M1, K1) repeat on other two needles. (21 sts)

rnd 5: Knit

Repeat rnds 4 and 5 until there are 15 sts on each needle (45 sts). End with a rnd 4, place marker.

Knit until piece measures 1½" above the marker.

Decrease:

rnd 1: (K3, K2tog) repeat to end of rnd. (36 sts)

rnd 2: (K2, K2tog) repeat to end of rnd. (27 sts)

Now place the tail from the cast on onto your tapestry needle, and use it to gather and close the hole at the cast on end. Pull the tail the the inside and trim. Insert the tennis ball--it may be a little difficult to knit around it, but it's definitely possible. Alternately you could fill it with toy stuffing at this point and keep firmly stuffing it until rnd 8.

rnd 3: Knit

rnd 4: Knit

rnd 5: (K1, K2tog) repeat to end of rnd. (18 sts)

rnd 6: Knit

rnd 7: (K2tog) repeat to end of rnd. (9 sts)

rnd 8: Knit

rnd 9: (K1, K2tog) repeat to end of rnd. (6 sts)

rnd 10: Knit

rnd 11: (Kfb) repeat to end of rnd. (12 sts)

rnd 12: (K1, Kfb) repeat to end of rnd. (18 sts)

rnd 13: (K2, Kfb) repeat to end of rnd. (24 sts)

Bind off all stitches and cut yarn leaving a long tail.

Fuse: With white yarn, CO 3 sts and work i-cord for 4". Bind off but don't pull tail inside just yet.

Sparks: With spark colors, CO 2 sts and work some i-cords for 3½" and others for 5½". Four to six sparks would be about right.

Finishing (see image below):

Using the BO tail from the fuse, gather the sparks, making one stitch through all sparks, then pull the tail into the body of the fuse. Using the BO tail from the top of the bomb, securely attach the fuse to the bomb.

When this bomb doesn't explode, please try another great Acme product. :)

