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Acorns



Here's a little bonus pattern to go with the oak leaf design. The acorns can either be knitted in greens (fresh) or browns (old).

You will need:

yarn in beige and brown or two tones of green (double knit) • toy stuffing
4 x double ended knitting needles (2.75mm) • tapestry needle • scissors

Pattern (Acorn):

Acorn Cup

In the darker of your two yarns cast on 12 stitches. Join into the round and continue as follows (see *Notes* for abbreviations):

Rounds 1 to 4: k – (12)
Round 5: [k2togtbl, k2] x 3 (9)
Round 6: [k1, k2togtbl] x 3 (6)

Cut the yarn, thread through remaining stitches and pull tight. Turn the cup inside out so that the back of the knit stitches are on the outside.

Acorn Body

In the lighter tone pick up 12 stitches from around the edge of the acorn cup. Join into the round and continue as follows:

Rounds 1 to 5: k – (12)
Round 6: [k2tog, k2] x 3 (9)
Round 7: k – (9)
Round 8: [k1, k2togtbl] x 3 (6)

Poke a little toy stuffing into the opening to fill the acorn. Cut the yarn, thread through remaining stitches and pull tight.

Pattern (Stem):

- Using the darker yarn cast on 2 stitches.
 - Work 4 rows i-cord.
 - Cast off.
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Making Up:

Attach the stem to the centre of the acorn cup.

Lose any loose ends of yarn attached to the acorn. If the join between the two colours of cup and body is untidy you may want to embroider over it with the extra yarn.

Notes:

Abbreviations

[] x number	Repeat the section in square brackets the required number of times.
{ } x number	Repeat the section in curly brackets the required number of times.
(number)	Gives the total number of stitches you should have on needle by the end of the row.
k number	Knit this number of stitches.
k –	Knit every stitch to the end of the row.
k2tog	Knit the next two stitches together (-1 stitch).
k2togtbl	Knit the next two stitches together through the back of the loop (-1 stitch).
kfb	Knit into the front and then the back of a single stitch (+1 stitch).
kfbf	Knit into the front and the back and the front again of a single stitch (+2 stitches).
p number	Purl this number of stitches.
pssso	Pass the slipped stitch over any intervening stitches and off the needle.
sl number	Slip this number of stitches purl wise.

Needle/Yarn Size

As with most ODDknit patterns the yarn and needle sizes in the "you will need" section are just a guide. Feel free to improvise with whatever needles and yarn you have lying around - that's half the fun!