

WHIMSICAL KNITTING DESIGNS

Flower Power Hand Towel Patterns

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Flower Power Hand Towel pattern

As side note, I took some pictures of these handtowels with my Fiestaware dishes and these are the perfect size for placemats, too! So, here you have Flower Power hand towels and placemats!



Stats

Yarn: Blue Sky Cotton yarn or equivalent yarn of choice

Needles: size 7 - 24" circular needle and size 7 dpns or another size 7 circ to be used when the circumference becomes too small for the 24" needle.

Gauge: 4.5 sts per inch

Size: 15.5 inches across flower

The petals are knit back and forth, not circularly. And, they are knit separately; they are then attached as you begin working the center of the cloth in the round.

Directions for Petal (knit 5):

These directions are the same for each of the center patterns.

Cast on 9 stitches

Row 1: knit

Row 2: k1, m1, k remaining sts (10 sts)

Rows 3-18: continue increasing one st as in row 2 until you have 26 sts

Rows 19-27: knit

Cut yarn and slide petal down needle or put the petal on a st. holder. Do this for the 1st 4 petals. DO NOT cut the yarn on petal 5, this is the yarn that you will use when you begin working in the round.

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After knitting the 5th petal join and begin knitting in the round. Be very careful when joining in the round so that you don't twist the petals. When knitting the 1st round it's a very good idea to join the yarn that you have cut on each petal with the 1st round of knitting, this will help secure the petals and prevent loose sts on the last knit row of the petals.



Knitting in the yarn from the petals on 1st round of circular knitting.



Directions for the center of the flower:

(you will have a total of 130sts [26 sts per petal x 5=130])

Rnd 1: join in round and knit

Rnds 2 & 3: knit

Rnd 4: *k24, k2tog, rep from * (125 sts)

Rnd 5: knit

Rnd 6: *k23, k2tog, rep from * (120 sts)

Rnd 7: knit

Rnd 8: *k22, k2tog, rep from * (115 sts)

Rnd 9: *k21, k2tog, rep from * (110 sts)

Rnd 10: *k20, k2tog, rep from * (105 sts)

Rnd 11: *k19, k2tog, rep from * (100 sts)

Rnd 12: *k18, k2tog, rep from * (95 sts)

Rnd 13: *k17, k2tog, rep from * (90 sts)

Rnd 14: *k16, k2tog, rep from * (85 sts)

Rnd 15: *k15, k2tog, rep from * (80 sts)

Rnd 16: *k14, k2tog, rep from * (75 sts)

Rnd 17: *k13, k2tog, rep from * (70 sts)

Rnd 18: *k12, k2tog, rep from * (65 sts)

Rnd 19: *k11, k2tog, rep from * (60 sts)

Rnd 20: *k10, k2tog, rep from * (55 sts)

Rnd 21: *k9, k2tog, rep from * (50 sts)

Rnd 22: *k8, k2tog, rep from * (45 sts)

Rnd 23: *k7, k2tog, rep from * (40 sts)

Rnd 24: *k6, k2tog, rep from * (35 sts)

Rnd 25: *k5, k2tog, rep from * (30 sts)

Rnd 26: *k4, k2tog, rep from * (25 sts)

Rnd 27: *k3, k2tog, rep from * (20 sts)

Rnd 28: *k2, k2tog, rep from * (15 sts)

Rnd 29: *k1, k2tog, rep from * (10 sts)

Cut yarn and put on tapestry needle, pull sts together gently and weave in ends.



Raglan Center Directions

I also have directions for the center using Raglan Decreases if that is your preference.

Raglan Decrease Center Directions:

Rnd 1: *k26, place marker

Rnds 2 & 3: knit

Rnd 4: *k1, k2tog, k to 2 sts before marker, ssk, k1 (120 sts)

Rnds 5 & 6: knit

Rnd 7: *k1, k2tog, k to 2 sts before marker, ssk, k1 (110 sts)

Rnds 8 & 9: knit

Rnd 10: *k1, k2tog, k to 2 sts before marker, ssk, k1 (100 sts)

Rnd 11: knit

Rnd 12: *k1, k2tog, k to 2 sts before marker, ssk, k1 (90 sts)

Rnd 13: knit

Rnd 14: *k1, k2tog, k to 2 sts before marker, ssk, k1 (80 sts)

Rnd 15: knit

Rnd 16: *k1, k2tog, k to 2 sts before marker, ssk, k1 (70 sts)

Rnd 17: knit

Rnd 18: *k1, k2tog, k to 2 sts before marker, ssk, k1 (60 sts)

Rnd 19: knit

Rnd 20: *k1, k2tog, k to 2 sts before marker, ssk, k1 (50 sts)

Rnd 21: knit

Rnd 22: *k1, k2tog, k to 2 sts before marker, ssk, k1 (40 sts)

Rnd 23: knit

Rnd 24: *k1, k2tog, k to 2 sts before marker, ssk, k1 (30 sts)

Rnd 25: knit

Rnd 26: *k1, k2tog, k to 2 sts before marker, ssk, k1 (20 sts)

Rnd 27: knit

Rnd 28: *k1, k2tog, k to 2 sts before marker, ssk, k1 (10 sts)

Rnd 29: knit

Cut yarn and put on tapestry needle, pull sts together gently and weave in ends.

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Center of Many Swirls directions

If you prefer the Flower Power Washcloth with more spiral decreases then you knit the petals as stated before and the center is done like this:

Directions for very swirly center:

Rnd 1: join in the round and knit

Rnds 2 & 3: knit

Rnd 4: *k11, k2tog, rep from* (120 sts)

Rnds 5 & 6: knit

Rnd 7: *k10, k2tog, rep from* (110 sts)

Rnds 8 & 9: knit

Rnd 10: *k9, k2tog, rep from* (100 sts)

Rnd 11: knit

Rnd 12: *k8, k2tog, rep from* (90 sts)

Rnd 13: knit

Rnd 14: *k7, k2tog, rep from* (80 sts)

Rnd 15: knit

Rnd 16: *k6, k2tog, rep from* (70 sts)

Rnd 17: knit

Rnd 18: *k5, k2tog, rep from* (60 sts)

Rnd 19: knit

Rnd 20: *k4, k2tog, rep from* (50 sts)

Rnd 21: knit

Rnd 22: *k3, k2tog, rep from* (40 sts)

Rnd 23: knit

Rnd 24: *k2, k2tog, rep from* (30 sts)

Rnd 25: knit

Rnd 26: *k1, k2tog, rep from* (20 sts)

Rnd 27: knit

Rnd 28: * k2tog, rep from* (10 sts)

Rnd 29: knit

Cut yarn and put on tapestry needle, pull sts together gently and weave in ends.