

# Seed Stitch Washcloth



8 inches by 8 inches

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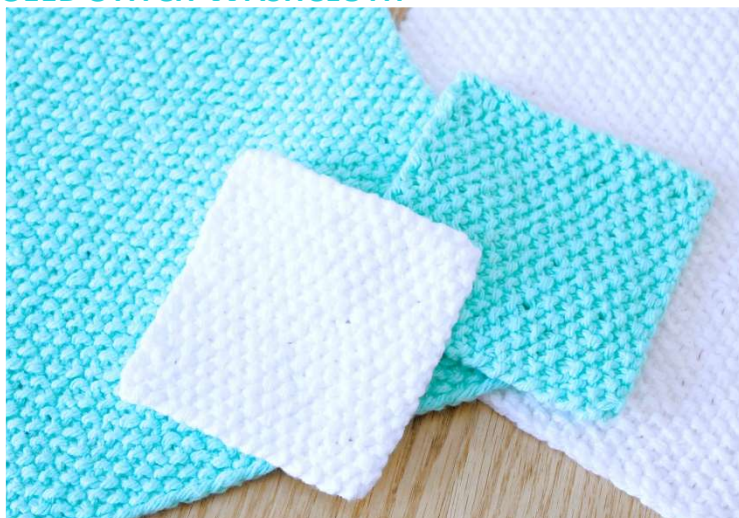
## About This Pattern

This design lets you practice the seed stitch. Alternating knits and purls in a checkerboard-like pattern creates a bumpy, fluffy texture. At the end of the project, you will also be able to work on binding off in a pattern of knits and purls.

The texture of these washcloths and scrubbies makes them a bit more unique, making them perfect for decorative home accents or gifts. The soft bumps in the design also provide more pockets for soap and water to absorb, making them especially efficient.



## SEED STITCH WASHCLOTH



**Sizes:** 8 inches by 8 inches

**Skills:** You will practice casting on, knit stitches, purl stitches, and binding off in a pattern.

**Gauge:** 19 stitches x 26 rows = 4 x 4 inches in stockinette stitch on No. 7 (4.5 mm) needles.

**Yarn Suggestions:** Use an absorbent yarn fiber for this project, preferably 100% cotton.

**Instructions:** Knit flat, turning after each row.

### Materials

#### Knitting Needles

##### Long Circular Needles

- 36-inch (91 cm) long US No. 7 (4.5 mm) circular needle (or size needed to obtain gauge)

##### Or Straight Needles

9-inch (23 cm) long US No. 7 (4.5 mm) straight needles (or size needed to obtain gauge)

#### Yarn

- One 95-yard (2 ounce) skein of cotton worsted weight yarn\* (shown in Lily Sugar 'n Cream 100% Cotton Yarn), in your choice of color.
  - one washcloth uses about 71.25 yards (1.5 oz.)

**Tools:** A measuring tape and a darning needle.

### Abbreviations

- k = knit
- p = purl
- \*\* = repeat the pattern between the asterisks

\*Weights estimated with Lily Sugar 'n Cream yarn; other yarn weights may vary. Weight does not include gauge swatch. A 4x4 inch gauge swatch with a 2 row by 3 stitch border uses an additional 19 yards (0.4 oz.).

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## Instructions: Seed Stitch Washcloth

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*(8 inches x 8 inches after washing in cold water; 8.5 inches x 9.25 inches before washing)*

Use the long-tail cast on method. Knit flat, turning after each row.

Row 1: Cast on 40 stitches. Turn.

Row 2: \*k, p\* x 20. (40 stitches) Turn.

Row 3: \*p, k\* x 20. (40 stitches) Turn.

Rows 4 – 73: Repeat rows 2 and 3.

Row 74: Bind off loosely in the pattern of Row 2. Cut yarn, leaving an 8-inch tail, and pull through. Weave in ends.

In cold water, hand wash or machine wash on delicate. Block while still wet, ensuring cloths are roughly 8 inches square, then allow to air dry.

