

Basic Cup Cozies


EASY

Small and Large Sizes.

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About This Pattern

This cozy pattern begins and ends with knit purl rib. In the middle, you will make a stockinette stitch pattern in the round. Unlike flat knitting, stockinette stitch in the round is made by knitting all the stitches in every row/round. You will also switch needle sizes while working the pattern. Knit, purl ribbing tends to make larger stitches than stockinette; switching needle sizes between the two parts helps the individual stitches stay roughly the same size.

These knitted cup cozies are meant to fit around cups with no handles. The small size is great for coffeehouse-style paper cups and the large size works well for reusable hot and cold cups.



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Instructions: Knit in the round.

Sizes: Small and Large

Skills: You will practice knitting in the round, knit stitches, purl stitches, switching needle sizes, and binding off in a pattern.

Gauge: 20 stitches x 28 rows = 4 x 4 inches in stockinette stitch on No. 5 (3.75 mm) needles.

Yarn Suggestions: Almost any yarn fiber is suitable for this project; try acrylic, wool, alpaca, cotton, or bamboo. Avoid silk and silk blends. Be careful with hot cups; your finished object may not be heat resistant.

Materials

Knitting Needles

Double Point Needles (DPNs)

- 7-inch (18 cm) long US No. 3 (3.125 mm) DPNs (or two sizes smaller than needles used to obtain gauge)
- 7-inch (18 cm) long US No. 5 (3.75 mm) DPNs (or size needed to obtain gauge)

Or Long Circular Needles

- 36-inch (91 cm) long US No. 3 (3.125 mm) circular needle (or two sizes smaller than needles used to obtain gauge)
- 36-inch (91 cm) long US No. 5 (3.75 mm) circular needle (or size needed to obtain gauge)

Yarn

- One 315-yard (6 ounce) skein of worsted weight yarn* (shown in Caron Simply Soft Yarn), in your choice of color.
 - Each small cozy uses about 31.5 yards (.6 oz.)
 - Each large cozy uses about 42 yards (.8 oz.)

Tools: One stitch marker, a measuring tape, and a darning needle.

Abbreviations

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

*Weights estimated with Caron Simply Soft 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 21 yards (0.4 oz.).

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Instructions: Small Cup Cozy

(Cups 9 inches to 11 inches around; measures 4 inches top to bottom)

Use the long-tail cast on method. Knit in the round. *For Double Point Needles, follow DPN instructions written in italics.* **For circular needles, follow magic loop instructions in bold.** If desired, use a stitch marker to keep track of the beginning/ends of your rows/rounds by placing it between the last and first stitch of each row/round.

[Using *No. 3 DPNs* or **long circular needle**] Row 1: Cast on 46 stitches. *Divide onto 3 DPNs (15 on 1st, 16 on 2nd, and 15 on 3rd DPN).* Or **separate stitches on long circular needles for magic loop (23 on each side).** (46 stitches)

Row 2: Join the round (taking care not to twist stitches) and *k, p* x 23. (46 stitches)

Rows 3 – 8: *k, p* x 23. (46 stitches)

[Switch to *No. 5 DPNs* or **circular needles**] Rows 9 – 20: k 46. (46 stitches)

[Switch to *No. 3 DPNs* or **circular needles**] Row 21: k 46. (46 stitches)

Rows 22 – 27: *k, p* x 23. (46 stitches)

[Switch to a *No. 5 DPN* or **circular needle**] Row 28: Bind off in *k, p* pattern. Cut yarn, leaving an 8-inch tail, and pull through. Weave in ends. Block if desired.



Instructions: Large Cup Cozy

(Cups 9 inches to 11 inches around; measures 5 inches top to bottom)

Use the long-tail cast on method. Knit in the round. *For Double Point Needles, follow DPN instructions written in italics.* **For circular needles, follow magic loop instructions in bold.** If desired, use a stitch marker to keep track of the beginning/ends of your rows/rounds by placing it between the last and first stitch of each row/round.

[Using *No. 3 DPNs* or **long circular needle**] Row 1: Cast on 46 stitches. *Divide onto 3 DPNs (15 on 1st, 16 on 2nd, and 15 on 3rd DPN).* Or **separate stitches on long circular needles for magic loop (23 on each side).** (46 stitches)

Row 2: Join the round (taking care not to twist stitches) and *k, p* x 23. (46 stitches)

Rows 3 – 8: *k, p* x 23. (46 stitches)

[Switch to *No. 5 DPNs* or **circular needles**] Rows 9 – 28: k 46. (46 stitches)

[Switch to *No. 3 DPNs* or **circular needles**] Row 29: k 46. (46 stitches)

Rows 30 – 35: *k, p* x 23. (46 stitches)

[Switch to a *No. 5 DPN* or **circular needle**] Row 36: Bind off in *k, p* pattern. Cut yarn, leaving an 8-inch tail, and pull through. Weave in ends. Block if desired.

