



CURLY PURLY PUMPKIN

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TERMS & CONDITIONS

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GAUGE

You can knit this pumpkin using any yarn, any gauge, any double-pointed needles you desire.

THE PATTERN

CO 35 stitches. Divide over 3 DPNs. Start knitting in the round. If you'd like, you can mark the beginning of the round. I just glance at my cast-on tail to remind me where I started. As with any project knitted in the round, make sure to keep your stitches untwisted.

k4p1 around for 25 rows. Thread yarn tail through stitches on the needles and cinch closed.

Stuff with wool roving, batting, poly stuffing, anything you can find. This is a good way to get rid of tiny yarn ends that you can't part with.

Using your tapestry needle, thread the cast-on tail around the stitches of your cast-on end to cinch the top closed and with your tapestry needle, bring the yarn down through the pumpkin to the base and pull tight. Knot it to the other remaining tail. Weave in the ends. This little procedure causes the dent in at the top and bottom.

make a small i-cord stem and attach.

VARIATIONS

Embroider a face on your pumpkin, making a flame-free jack o'lantern!

Knit pumpkins in different sizes by changing your number of cast on stitches (always cast on in multiples of 5) and rows (I like to do about 10 rows less than my number of cast-on stitches).

Make your pumpkin with green yarn and a bobble stitch and call it a gourd!