



Stripes and Dots

By Allison Griffith

Finished Measurements

19" around x 6" tall (approximate)

Yarn

Knit Picks Wool of the Andes Sport (100% Peruvian Highland Wool, 137 yards) MC: Mink Heather, C1: White, C2: Bramble Heather, C3: Hollyberry, C4: Caution, C5: Saffron, C6: Thirst Heather, less than 1 ball each.

Needles

US 4 DPNs and 16" circular needles

Notions

Stitch Holders
Stitch Marker
Scissors
Yarn needle

Gauge

24 sts and 30 rows=4" in color work pattern

Worked flat from the bottom up, this pattern begins with a small amount of ribbing. After increasing to the full stitch count, stripes (including Fair Isle dots) are worked for the body, while intarsia techniques are used to work a neat contrasting edge on either side (to create the opening for the handle). The opening for a spout is worked in a similar fashion to the thumb on a mitten, holding some stitches in reserve to be picked up later. Once the body of the tea cozy is completed, the top is worked in the

round, decreasing in the same manner as a basic hat. The stitches held for the spout are then picked up and worked in a simple ribbing to create a cuff. The bottom of the handle opening is sewn up before blocking and the addition of a pompom.

Directions

Body

With circular needle and MC, CO 106. Work back and forth.

Row 1: P2 (K2, P2) across.

Row 2: K2 (P2, K2) across.

Repeat rows 1 and 2 until 5 rows have been completed.

Increase Row (RS): K8 (K7, M1) across (120 sts).

WS row: P.

Make 2 small bundles of MC for intarsia along the edges of the piece. Work as follows, twisting yarn to keep intarsia border neat while working the main portion as detailed in the Tea Cozy Color Chart (repeating sts 1-4 as needed). Break and join yarns as required, pausing every few rows to weave in ends.

RS rows: K3 with MC, K following Tea Cozy Color Chart to 3 before end, K3 with MC.

WS rows: K3 with MC, P following Tea Cozy Color Chart to 3 before end, K3 with MC.

Continue in pattern through row 24.

Spout Opening

Row 25: Work 54 sts in pattern, following the Tea Cozy Color Chart. Transfer the next 12 sts to st holder. CO 4 sts with backwards loop CO. Continue in pattern to end. (112 sts)

Continue in pattern (with no more shaping) until you have completed row 30. Break yarns (including intarsia bundles), join MC and K 1 row.

Crown

Weave in any ends. PM and prepare to work crown in the round, switching to DPNs as necessary.

Round 1: P3, K to 3 before M, P3.

Round 2: K

Round 3: As Round 1

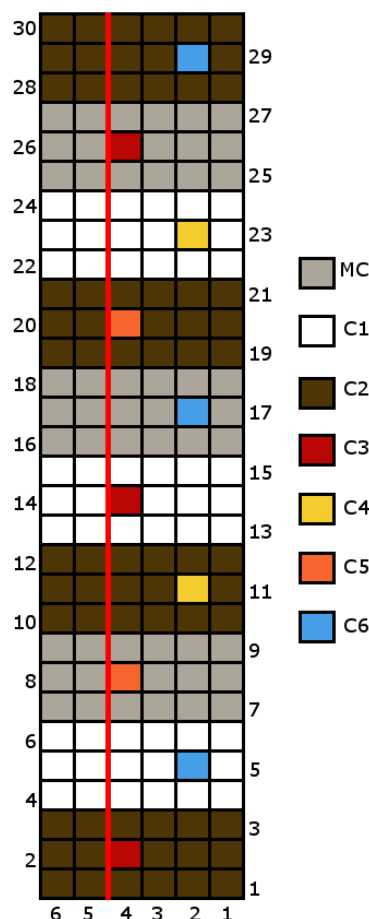
Round 4: (K6, K2tog) around (98 sts)

Round 5 (and all following odd-numbered rounds): K

Round 6: (K5, K2tog) around (84)

Round 8: (K4, K2tog) around (70)

Tea Cozy Color Chart



Round 10: (K3, K2tog) around (56)
 Round 12: (K2, K2tog) around (42)
 Round 14: (K1, K2tog) around (28)
 Round 16: (K2tog) around (14)

Break yarn, pass end through active sts. Weave in ends.

Spout

Transfer the 12 reserved sts from stitch holders to DPNs. PU and K 4 sts in CO edge of Spout Opening. Arrange 16 sts evenly on 3 or 4 needles and work in the round in a K2, P2 rib for 5 rounds. BO in pattern. Break yarn.

Finishing

Weave in any remaining ends. With MC, sew the two the bottom 1" of the handle opening closed. Block lightly if desired. Optional: create a 2" pompom and sew to the top of the crown.

Questions? Comments? Mistakes? Email me at knittingontheneedles@gmail.com or visit me at www.ontheneedles.com.

Abbreviations					
BO	Bind off	CO	Cast on	C1-6	Color 1-6
DPN	Double-pointed needle	K	Knit	K2tog	Knit 2 together
M1	Make 1	MC	Main Color	P	Purl
RS	Right side	St(s)	Stitch(es)	WS	Wrong side



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