

# Goldberry Knits



Textural Designs  
that are Fun to Knit



## My Little Pumpkin

Fall decor or a cute pin cushion for the seamstress in your life!

Details matter on small items. Real pumpkins sometimes have an ugly side. This one is worked in the round to avoid seaming, and clever finishing ensures both sides are pretty.



### Materials

Yarn: Approx 75yds/69 m worsted weight yarn in main color, 25yds/23m contrasting color

Shown in Ella Rae Classic Wool, color orange #27 and Olive #323

Needles: Set of 4 or 5 double-pointed needles size US 6 (4 mm)

Fiber fill for stuffing

Notions: Tapestry needle, waste yarn

### Gauge

Gauge is not important for this item. See notes.

### Sizes

Size will vary with gauge.

### Finished Measurements

Circumference: Approx 6.5"/16.5cm  
Height: Approx 5"/13cm

### Stitch Patterns

#### K3P1 Ribbing

Rnd 1: \*K3, p1; rep from \* to end of rnd.

Note:

Gauge does not matter for this item, but you should go down one or two needle sizes from the size you'd normally use for your yarn weight so that the filling won't show through. Mine is knit in worsted, but you could use any yarn that is DK weight or heavier. Of course, the size of the pumpkin will change accordingly.

### Instructions

With MC cast on 20 sts using [provisional cast on](#) of your choice.

Knit three rnds even.

Inc rnd 1: \*K2, m1; rep from \*. (30 sts)

Knit one rnd.

Inc rnd 2: \* K3, m1; rep from \*. (40 sts)

### Main Body

Work in “K3P1 Ribbing” for approx 20 rnds or until piece measures about 3.5-4”/10cm.

### Decrease for Top

Rearrange sts if necessary, assuring that that 3 ks and 1 p st are the 1<sup>st</sup> 4 sts to be worked on needle 1.

Dec rnd 1: \* K2 , p2tog; rep from \*. (30 stitches.)

\*K2, p1; rep from \* for 3 rnds.

Stuff the pumpkin just a bit, being careful not to overstuff. (More stuffing can be added later.)

With CC , \*k2, p1; rep from \* to end of rnd.

Dec rnd 2: \* K2tog, p1; rep from \*. (20 sts)

\* K1, p1; rep from \* one rnd.

Dec rnd 3: K2tog around. (10 sts)

Rearrange sts onto just two dpns, 5 on each, and situate them one in front of the other. Now, taking one st from the front needle and one from the back, k2tog and work across the row this way. (5 sts)

Work I-cord over these 5 sts until stem is desired length. BO.

## Finishing

Stuff until pumpkin is desired size and shape. Then, using a tapestry needle and MC yarn, collect the sts you've saved with your provisional cast on, and cinch up the bottom of the pumpkin. You can even take the tail and run it up through the body to attain a nice shape. Weave in and hide your ends.

Done! Enjoy!

# I-CORD

## How to Guide



**CAST ON ANY NUMBER OF STITCHES. IF YOU ALREADY HAVE STITCHES, GO TO STEP 2.**



**KNIT TO END OF ROW.**



**WITHOUT TURNING THE NEEDLE, SLIDE THE STS TO THE OPPOSITE END .**



**THE YARN IS HANGING OFF THE LEFT BACK SIDE OF YOUR NEEDLE. LEAVE IT IN THAT POSITION. KNIT THE NEXT ROW WITHOUT TURNING.**

### Abbreviations list

approx: approximate

beg: begin/beginning

CC: contrast color

CO: cast on

cont: continue

dec: decrease

dpn: double pointed needle

inc: increase

k or K: knit

k2tog: knit 2 stitches together

LH: left hand

M1L: Bring the tip of your LH needle under the strand between the sts from front to back. Knit it tbl.

MC: main color

p or P: purl

patt: pattern

p2tog: purl 2 stitches together

rem: remain/remaining

rep: repeat

rnd(s): round(s)

sl: slip

st(s): stitch(es)

St st: stockinette stitch

tog: together