Skill level: Beginner

Loom

Knifty Knitter green long loom (54 pegs, large gauge)

Yarn

1 skein bulky cotton yarn. Araucania Patagonia Nature Cotton was used in the sample.

Tools

Loom pick, crochet hook

Size

9 inches wide x 11 inches long

Required stitches

Double-knitting on knitting boards, ribbed stitch. I recommend using Loom Knitting Primer by Isela Phelps as a reference.

Board guide

SIDE A 1 2 3 4 5 ... SIDE B 1 2 3 4 5 ...

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Treat your face to a soft cotton towel in the morning. The soap suds up in this simple ribbed washcloth.

Make a slip knot and place it on the first top peg of the knitting board. Wind yarn to peg 2B, up to 3A and down to 4B. You will be wrapping every other peg. When you get to Peg 20, turn around and wrap all unwrapped pegs back to the start. You will cast on 20 stitches (40 pegs total). Place a piece of waste yarn on your live stitches in the middle of the board.

Do the rib stitch for about 10 inches. This is done at a slight angle. Start at 1A, down to 3B, up to 3A, down to 5B and then up to 5A ... and so on, turning around to wrap the ones you skipped.

Loosely bind off with the crochet hook. Start with loops on pegs 20B, 20A and 19A. Slip two stitches through the back loop on the hook. Repeat with the next two stitches.

Finish the cast-on with same method and try to keep the crocheting loose. Otherwise the washcloth will not have much elasticity on these edges. Try pulling an extra loop of the live yarn through if you are a tight crocheter.

Toss it in the washer with cold water and dryer on low heat before use. Use a pillowcase if you think it might shed. Now you have a super-soft washcloth!