

# Heirloom Carrot

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## Materials

- US #3 (3.25mm) DPNs
- crochet hook, size US #G (approx.)
- small amounts of worsted weight yarn in orange and green
- stuffing
- rattle (optional)

## Carrot

CO 12 stitches and divide evenly on 3 dpns. Place marker, join, and knit one round.

Round 2: \*K2, Kfb\* repeat to end (16 sts)

Round 3: K even

Round 4: \*K1, kfb\* repeat to end (24 sts)

Knit even until piece measures 1.5 inches from CO edge.

Decrease 3 stitches evenly (or randomly, like a real carrot) on next round. (21 sts)

Knit 3 rounds even.

Decrease 3 sts. on next round. (18 sts)

Knit 5 rounds even.

Decrease 3 sts on next round. (15 sts)

Knit 3 rounds even.

Decrease 3 sts. on next round. (12 sts)

Knit 3 rounds even.

Decrease 3 sts. on next round. (9 sts)

Knit 5 rounds even.

K1, \*K2tog\* repeat to end. (5 sts)

Adjust stitches onto one dpn, and switching to i-cord, knit one row.

K1, \*K2tog\* to end. (3 sts)

K 2 rounds even in i-cord.

Cut yarn and thread through remaining stitches to close.

## Finishing and Greens

Stuff carrot body through the top, inserting rattle if desired, and close hole.

With crochet hook and green yarn, pick up three stitches across middle of carrot top. Slip to close, ensuring that the greens are firmly attached and making sure to leave one stitch on your hook.

Ch 20-25 sts and turn, sc your way back down to the carrot body, randomly skipping multiple sts to make the greens curl. The greens should be rascally and wild, so just have fun with it.

Slip to close in the carrot top, and repeat above two or more times, as desired. Weave in ends.

## Abbreviations:

DPN: double pointed needle

CO: cast on

kfb: knit through the front and back of a stitch

k2tog: knit two stitches together

ch: chain

sc: single crochet

sts: stitches

*A note about gauge...*

*Don't sweat it! Just make sure your stitches are tight enough so the stuffing doesn't show through.*