

Three Simple Things to Knit

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Very Simple Headband

This headband is knit using a 1x1 rib, which keeps it flat and makes it stretchy and warm. It is attached by a button and a single crocheted chain button loop. The adult size is wider and longer and is closed by two buttons, instead of one. The example pictured was knit with size US #7 needles and Fibre Company Terra in blue and Araucania Nature Wool Chunky in orange.

SIZE: Child (adult)

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS: 2.25" x 17" (3" x 20")

MATERIALS:

- Any worsted/aran weight yarn in one or two colors.
- 1 set US #7 or #8 needles
- Tapestry needle
- Crochet hook (to make single crochet button loop)
- one button (two buttons)

DIRECTIONS:

Using a soft measuring tape, measure head from under hair at back of neck over the top, just behind ears. Your finished headband will measure 2" shorter than this measurement.

CO 14(20) sts

Row 1: *K1, P1* rep to end

Row 2: exactly as row 1.

Continue with this 1x1 rib until the headband measures just 2" shorter than the head it's intended for, approximately 17"(20").

FINISHING:

Using tapestry needle, weave in ends. Sew button(s) at one end of headband (approximately 1/2" from end).

Make a single crochet chain 2" long and sew to other end of headband.

VOILA!



Very Simple Pouch

This pouch is lovely for holding money, credit cards, lipstick etc. It will make you happy when you reach for it and it is EASY to make. It's closed with a pretty button and an I-cord loop. The example pictured was knit with Manos del Uruguay worsted wool in Rose.

SIZE: One

FINISHED MEASURE-
MENTS: 4.5" x 4.25"

MATERIALS:

- Any worsted/aran weight yarn.
- 1 set US #7 or #8 needles
- Tapestry needle
- one button

DIRECTIONS:

CO 24 sts
Row 1-4: K
Row 5 (WS): P
Row 6(RS): K

Rep rows 5 & 6 until piece measures 3", ending with a K row.

Next row: K
(You are creating a purl ridge for a neat folded edge.)

Continue in St St (K one row, P one row) until you have knit 4.5" from purl ridge. End at a K row.

Next row: K
(You are creating a second purl ridge for another folded edge.)

Continue in St St for about 1".

Next 4 rows: K

Bind off.

FINISHING:

Using tapestry needle, weave in ends. Fold pouch at the purl ridges and pin neatly. Beginning at the bottom of pouch, using mattress stitch, seam sides upward to the pouch opening on both sides. Then seam from the top corners of pouch downward to the pouch opening, overlapping the top flap over the bottom flap.

Create a 2"-long I-cord and sew to inside of top flap opening.

Sew button to the center-top of bottom flap.

VOILA!



Very Simple Eyeglass Case

A luxurious little place for your glasses to live.

Note: Although the pattern calls for a worsted weight wool, the example pictured is knit with Plain & Fancy Merino in a sport weight on size US #5 needles. Should you wish to knit the eyeglass case with a sport weight yarn and smaller needles, you will simply need to CO 35 stitches and follow the pattern exactly the same otherwise.

SIZE: One

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS: 2.5”
x 6.5”

MATERIALS:

- Any worsted/aran weight yarn.
- 1 set US #7 or #8 needles
- Tapestry needle

DIRECTIONS:

CO 24 sts
Row 1-6: K
Row 7 (WS): P
Row 8 (RS): K

Rep. rows 7 & 8 until piece measures 6.75” from beg.

Bind off.

FINISHING:

Using tapestry needle, weave in ends.

Fold lengthwise, so that garter border is at the top and pin together neatly. Using tapestry needle and mattress stitch, begin at bottom corner and seam in an L-shape, across bottom and up side.

VOILA!

