



Cable knit hot water bottle cover



Materials:

100g DK wool (any DK should be fine for this, I used an acrylic so that it would be machine washable and also has less stretch than other yarns).

4mm needles (UK)

Cable needle

Sewing needle

Skills:

Knit, purl, cable, basic sewing

Abbreviations:

K = Knit

P = Purl

RS = Right side

WS = Wrong side

Sts = stitches

C8B = [cable 8 back] slip next 4sts onto cable needle and hold at *back* of work, knit 4 sts from left needle then knit the sts from the cable needle.

C8F = [cable 8 forward] slip next 4sts onto cable needle and hold at *front* of work, knit 4 sts from left needle then knit the sts from the cable needle.

Pattern [body]:

Cast on 52 stitches.

1st [RS]: K2, P2 [K8, P4] x3, K8, P2, K2

2nd [WS]: K4, [P8, K4] x4

3rd [RS]: K2, P2 [K8, P4] x3, K8, P2, K2

4th [WS]: K4, [P8, K4] x4

5th [RS]: K2, P2, [C8B, P4] x2, [C8F, P4] x1, [C8F, P2] x1, K2

6th [WS]: K4, [P8, K4] x4

7th [RS]: K2, P2 [K8, P4] x3, K8, P2, K2

8th [WS]: K4, [P8, K4] x4

9th [RS]: K2, P2 [K8, P4] x3, K8, P2, K2

10th [WS]: K4, [P8, K4] x4

Repeat these 10 rows until the panel covers the base of the hot water bottle and just covers the shoulders.

Cast off.

Make another panel so that you have two.

Sew three sides together (mattress stitch will give a nice flat seam) leaving the top side open.

Then...

Pattern [neck]:



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Pick up 26 sts across the middle of the front panel. Knit in a double rib [K2, P2] until length can be folded in half so that it reaches to the top of the bottle neck and back again to meet the cast on edge.

Turn. Repeat on the back, picking up 26 sts across the middle and knitting in a double rib until length matches the other side.

Sew shoulders and sides together. Fold over neck and sew a couple of stitches at either side of neck base to secure the cuff.

Fold your hot water bottle lengthwise and insert.

Fill with hot water and cuddle.

I hope you enjoyed making this hot water bottle cover!

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