

Pot holder

✪ *This little pot holder is worked in three colours, and forms a pocket to insert your hand. The colourwork pattern is created by slipping stitches and using only one colour in each row. Slipstitch colourwork patterns form a dense fabric that is perfect for pot holders.*

You will need

- Patons Diploma Gold DK:
 - 1 x 50g ball in **MS** – dark blue (shade no. 6169)
 - Small amount in each of **1st C** – light olive green (shade no. 6253); and **2nd C** – denim blue (shade no. 6136)
- Pair of 3¼mm (US 3) knitting needles
- 2cm (¾in) diameter curtain ring

Tension and finished size

- 22 stitches and 38 rows to 10cm (4in) over pattern using 3¼mm (US 3) needles.
- Pot holder measures 20.5cm (8in) square.

Main section (make 2)

With 3¼mm (US 3) needles and MS, cast on 43 sts.

Starting with a k row, work in stocking st for 2 rows, ending with RS facing for next row.

Join in 1st C and **patt** thus:

Row 1 (RS) Using 1st C, k1, *sl 1 purlways, k3; rep from * to last 2 sts, sl 1 purlways, k1.

Row 2 Using 1st C, k1, bring yarn to front (WS) of work, *sl 1 purlways, p3; rep from * to last 2 sts, sl 1 purlways, k1.

Join in 2nd C.

Row 3 Using 2nd C, k3, *sl 1 purlways, k3; rep from * to end.

Row 4 Using 2nd C, k1, p2, *sl 1 purlways, p3; rep from * to last 4 sts, sl 1 purlways, p2, k1.

Rows 5 and 6 As rows 1 and 2 but using MS.

Rows 7 and 8 As rows 3 and 4 but using 1st C.

Rows 9 and 10 As rows 1 and 2 but using 2nd C.

Rows 11 and 12 As rows 3 and 4 but using MS. These 12 rows form patt.

Rep rows 1 to 12, 4 times more.

Break off 1st and 2nd C and cont using MS only.

SHAPE END BORDER

Place marker at beg of last row.

Next row (RS) *K2, k2tog tbl; rep from * to last 3 sts, k3 (33 sts).

Work in garter st for 5 rows, inc 1 st at each end of next and foll 2 alt rows (39 sts). Cast off.

Side border

With RS facing, 3¼mm (US 3) needles and MS, **knit up** 31 sts down row-end edge of one piece, from marker to cast-on edge.

Work in garter st for 5 rows, inc 1 st at each end of next and foll 2 alt rows (37 sts). Cast off.

Work one side border on other piece in same way. (Each piece has borders along two sides.)

Make up

Press following instructions on ball band.

Lay pieces WS facing so that there is a border all around holder and join shaped row-end edges of Borders. Neatly slip stitch cast-on and row-end edges in place, leaving one cast-on edge open.

Using MS, work buttonhole st over curtain ring and attach to a top corner.