

Hot-water-bottle cover



To fit: a hot water bottle approximately 7½ x 10½ inches

Required: Stylecraft Life double knitting in chosen colours; 4mm & 3.25mm needles

Front & back worked the same:

Using 4mm needles and main colour, cast on 28 stitches. Continue in stocking stitch.

Increase both ends of the next row and every alternate row until there are 40 stitches.

Next row: purl

Commence with the motif - work it 3 times - 66 rows. Then decrease both ends of each row until there are 28 stitches.

Change to 3.25mm needles and contrast colour and work 4 rows of knit 1, purl 1 rib.

Eyelet row: knit 1 *(yarn forward, knit 2 together, rib 2) repeat from * to last 3 stitches, yarn forward, knit 2 together, knit 1

Work 4 rows of knit 1, purl 1 rib.

Cast off neatly in rib with a larger needle.

To make up:

With right sides facing, sew the front to the back. Turn right sides out. Thread some ribbon through the eyelets or make a cord. (*I used a French knitter to make mine.*)

