



# Cactus Jam

**EASY KNIT** 

Brighten up someone's day with this little knitted cactus in a jar project, for all knitting skill levels. Made flat with straight needles and seamed, using our Speckl-d yarn that has the perfect tufts and specks of colour to create knobbly textured looking cactus, and finished with little pompoms for a charming and also delicious looking gift.

# **MEASUREMENTS**

	Cactus 1	Cactus 2	Cactus 3
Circumference	8cm	12cm	10cm
Length	10cm	7cm	8cm

# YARN REQUIRED

## Makr SPECKL-D Yarn 100g balls

MC: CACTUS Fresh Green	1
CC: POMPOM Coral Splash Pink Spectrum Lavender Field	1 1 1

NOTE: This pattern is written in British English. All measurements in charts and instructions are in cm. For conversion from centimetres to inches please divide by 2.5cm. Please be aware that there are different terms for crocheting and knitting in American and British English, if in doubt, we've included a list of common abbreviations.

Please use only the yarn specified. Another yarn is likely to yield different results. Quantities are approximate as knitting styles may vary between knitters. Check the ball bands to ensure all yarn is from the same dye lot.

## **DIFFICULTY** • • •

## **NEEDLES AND EQUIPMENT:**

4.5mm straight knitting needles Wool needle for darning in ends Glass Jar 24cm approximately 24cm circumference, and 9-10cm height.

#### **TENSION:**

4.5mm:  $20sts \times 25 \text{ rows} = 10cm \times 10cm \text{ stst}$ 

## **KNITTING ABBREVIATION:**

Beg: beginning CC: contrast colour

K: knit

K2tog: knit 2 stitches together

MC: main colour P: purl St(s): stitch(es)

#### **NOTES**

Leave 15cm tail at the start to sew seam together later. Leave 15cm tail at the end to attach pompom.

## **CACTUS PATTERNS**

# **CACTUS 1. RIBBED STITCH PATTERN**

Using MC, Cast on 24 sts.

Row 1-18: Work 1 x 1 rib (knit one, purl one)
Row 19: K2tog for whole row (12 sts)
Row 20: K2tog for whole row (6 sts)
Row 21: K2tog for whole row (3sts)

Row 22: K 3sts together. Draw thread through last st.

# **CACTUS 2. MOSS RIB STITCH PATTERN**

Using MC, Cast on 36 sts.

Row 1: \*K3, p1\* repeat to end of row

Row 2: \*K2, p1, k1\* repeat to end of row. Row 3-12: Repeat rows 1 and 2. 4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12

Row 13: K2tog for whole row (18 sts)
Row 14: K2tog for whole row (9 sts)
Row 15: K2tog to last st, k1 (5sts)
Row 16: K2tog to last st, k1 (3sts)
Row 17: K 3sts together.

Draw thread through last st.

# **CACTUS 3. MOSS STITCH PATTERN**

Using MC, Cast on 21 sts.

Row 1-15: \*K1, P1\* repeat.

Row 19: K2tog to last st, k1 (11 sts) Row 20: K2tog to last st, k1 (6 sts) Row 21: K2tog for whole row (3sts)

Row 22: K 3sts together. Draw thread through last st.

## **POMPOM**

Wind CC around 3 fingers 40 times. Slide carefully off fingers and wrap and tie thread through the middle so it looks like a bow. Trim edges to make it round.

# **TO FINISH**

Seam Cactus edges, turn inside out. Attach pompom. Shape cactus with your hands and place in the jar.