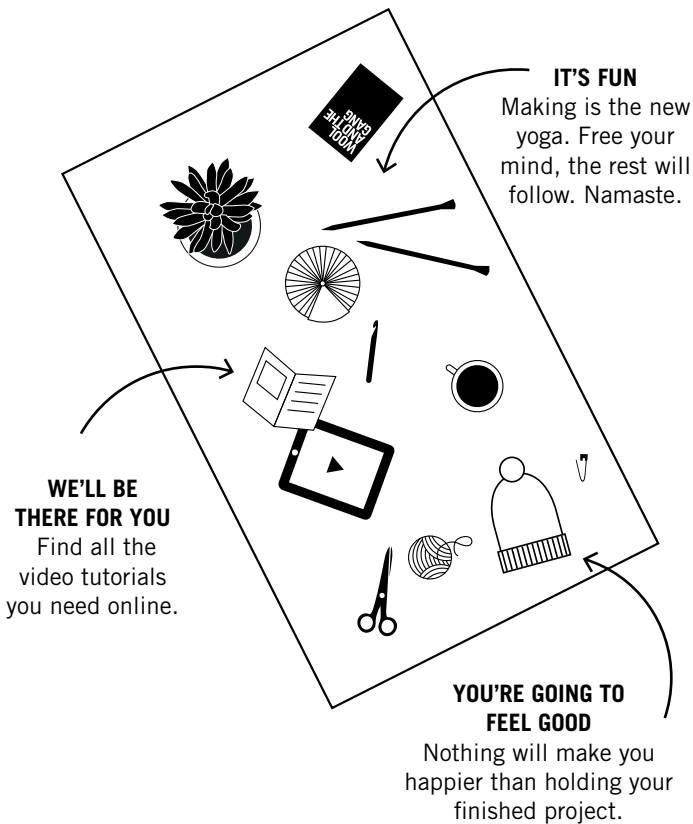


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Rachel Ruttt



**TUBULAR
SKIRT**
BEGINNER
6.5MM (10 US) NEEDLES

YOUR ADVENTURE STARTS NOW



RECIPE FOR SUCCESS

1

GET YOUR TOOLS READY.

Everything you need to get making.

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FAMILIARISE YOURSELF WITH THE TECHNIQUES.

Everything from the stitches used to the finishing touches for your project.

3

GET TO KNOW YOUR YARN.

Before you start your piece, play around with your new yarn to get used to it, and to check your tension.

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WOOL SCHOOL

Pick up your needles & yarn and make the magic happen! For a little extra help, check out our Wool School at:

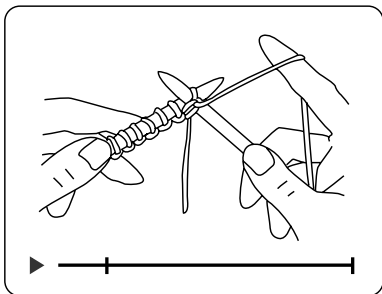
www.woolandthegang.com/t/how-to

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When you're done - let the world know.

The Tubular Skirt is a great project for knitters looking for an Easy Knit Kit. It has an easy-to-wear drawstring so fits all, wear it high-waisted or on your hips. Soft and warm, Rachel wears it on a summer evening when the sun goes down. So pencil in some time to knit this pencil skirt.



HELP'S ONLY A STITCH AWAY

Watch the video tutorials online
at www.woolandthegang.com

LET'S GET KNITTING

TOOL KIT

- 3 balls of WATG's 100% Pima Cotton
- 1 pair of 6.5mm (10 US) knitting needles
- 1 Tubular Skirt pattern
- 1 knitter's sewing needle

THE STITCHES

Cable cast on

Create a slip knot on the left hand needle leaving just a short tail of 30cm. Knit on one stitch creating 2 stitches now on the left hand needle. Now insert the needle between the two stitches, wrap and bring through. Transfer the newly created stitch onto the left hand needle. Repeat until you have cast on the number of stitches as indicated in the pattern.

Cast off

When you complete your project, you need to cast off your last row of stitches in order to make an edge that won't unravel. For your final row, knit the first two stitches. Using the tip of the left needle, lift the first stitch up and over the second stitch and the slip off the right needle. Now you will have only one stitch on your right needle. Knit another stitch from the left needle and do the same again. Do this with each stitch until there are no stitches on the left needle and just one stitch on the right needle.

Cut the yarn, leaving a 15cm (6") end. With your fingers, gently pull the tail through the last stitch and pull the yarn tight to secure.

1x1 Rib stitch

One knit stitch is followed by one purl stitch. Repeat the same technique for every row; the purl and the knit stitches must line up. Must be done on an even number of stitches.

Stocking stitch

A basic stitch pattern where the first row is knit and the second row is purl. These two rows are repeated to make the pattern. The 'right' side of the fabric looks like a series of 'Vs'. The 'wrong' side of the fabric looks like a series of 'waves'.

Holey stitch

To create a hole, bring the yarn over between the two needles from the back to the front. Insert the right needle into the next 2 stitches and then take yarn to the back around the right side of the right needle. Then knit those two stitches together.

TENSION SQUARE

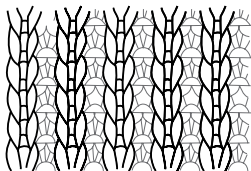
To ensure your knitting has the same measurements as the pattern, you need to knit a tension square before you start knitting your project. A tension square is a small sample of your knitting where you count the stitches and rows and check them against the measurement (cm/in) given. If your tension sample does not match the tension square measurements, then you should try to knit either tighter or looser depending on whether your sample was too big or too small.

Tension

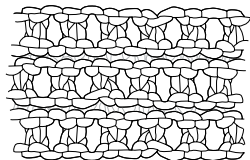
10cm/4"=14 stitches

10cm/4"=16 rows

1x1 RIB STITCH

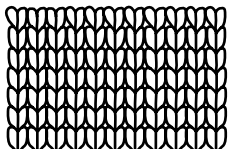


HOLEY STITCH



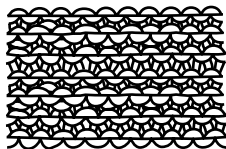
STOCKING STITCH

(RIGHT SIDE: RS)



STOCKING STITCH

(WRONG SIDE: WS)



HOW TO KNIT YOUR TUBULAR SKIRT

FRONT

- 1 Cast on 66 stitches using the cable cast on technique.

- 2 Knit 3 rows in 1x1 rib stitch.

- 3 Knit 1 row in holey stitch.

- 4 Knit 3 rows in 1x1 rib stitch.

- 5 Knit 84 rows in stocking stitch.

- 6 Cast off.

BACK

- 1 Cast on 66 stitches using the cable cast on technique.

- 2 Knit 3 rows in 1x1 rib stitch.

- 3 Knit 1 row in holey stitch.

- 4 Knit 3 rows in 1x1 rib stitch.

- 5 Knit 68 rows in stocking stitch.

You will now create the slit in the bottom hem, by working across half of your stitches at a time.

- 6** Knit 29 stitches, purl 4 stitches and turn, leaving the rest of your stitches on the needle for now.

- 7** Knit 4 stitches, and purl 29 stitches.

- 8** Repeat steps 6 & 7 a further 7 times.

- 9** Cast off the 33 stitches you have just been working across.

- 10** Return to the stitches which are still on the needle.

- 11** Repeat steps 6 to 9.

TWISTED CORD

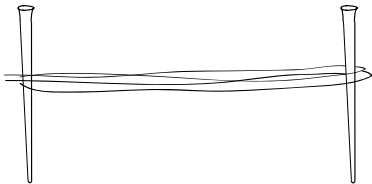
Top tip: this technique needs two pairs of hands, so grab a friend.

Cut 1 strand of yarn, 6 metres long. Fold the strand in half. Tie each end to a knitting needle. Pull the yarn so it is taut. Turn the knitting needles in opposite directions to twist the cord. Hold the centre of the cord and bring the two knitting needles together. Let the cord twist and take it off the needles and tie a knot in the end. The finished length should be 110cm approximately.

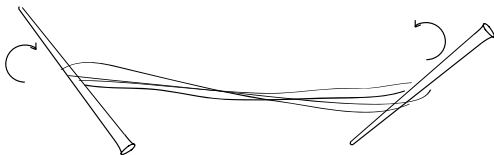
1. CUT STRANDS OF YARN AND FOLD IN HALF



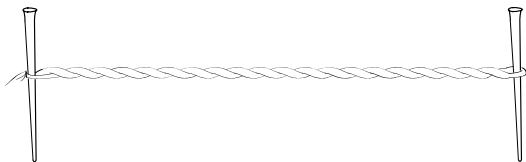
2. KNOT ONE END AND INSERT NEEDLES IN EACH END



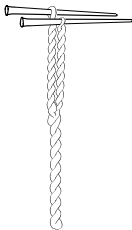
**3. TURN THE NEEDLES
IN OPPOSITE DIRECTIONS**



**4. TURN UNTIL THE CORD IS
TWISTED**



**5. FOLD THE CORD IN
HALF AND LET IT TWIST**



6. KNOT ONE END

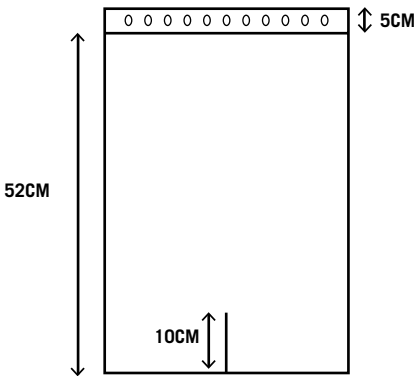


ASSEMBLING AND FINISHING

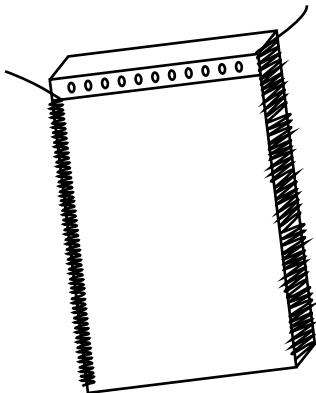
With the knitter's sewing needle and a long strand of yarn, use the vertical invisible sewing technique to sew up the side seams of the skirt.

Starting at centre front, insert the twisted cord through the first hole in the waistline to the inside, then bring it back to the right side of the skirt through the next hole. Continue to weave the cord in and out of the holes in this way until you have used all the holes - you can now use the cord as a drawstring to close up the waist of the skirt.

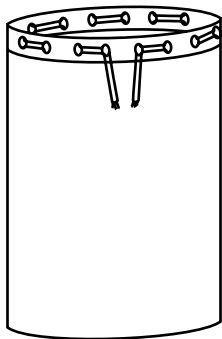
Weave in all the loose ends.



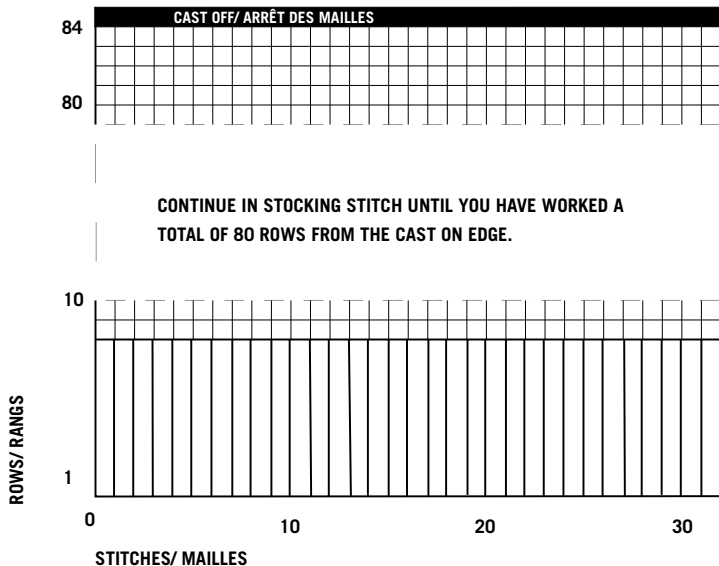
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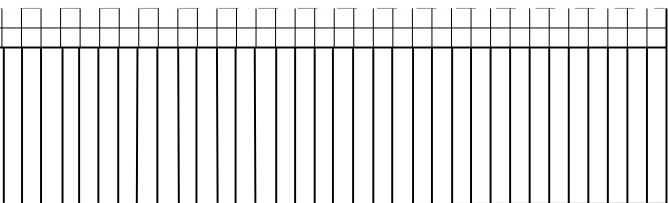
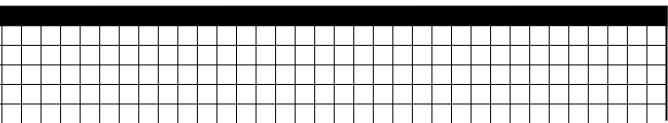


THREAD THE TWISTED CORD THROUGH THE HOLEY STITCH ROW



GRAPH FRONT





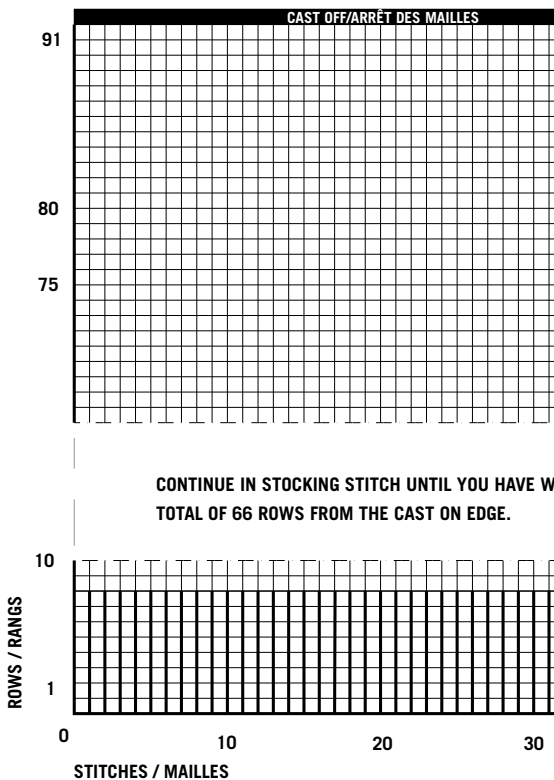
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GRAPH BACK



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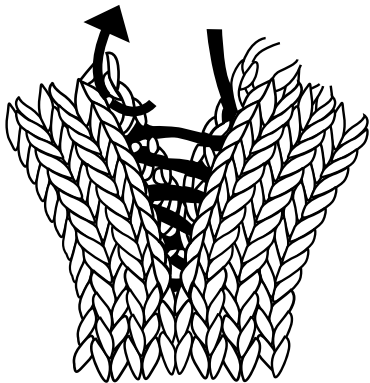
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JOINING

VERTICAL INVISIBLE SEAM TECHNIQUE

Vertical invisible technique is used to join the edges of two pieces together when the V's on the right side are running the same direction on both pieces. Place the two knitted pieces of fabric side by side with the right sides up.



Insert your knitter's needle under the first horizontal bar between the first two stitches on the edge you want to join.

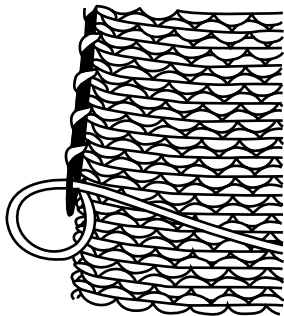
Pull the yarn through and insert the knitter's needle through the opposite horizontal bar on the other piece.

Sew back and forth through the horizontal bars along the edge. To tighten the stitches, pull the yarn gently... then they will disappear.

WEAVING IN THE ENDS

Weave the ends of your yarn into your knitting to finish it off and stop it from unravelling.

Thread the tail onto the small knitter's needle. Weave the yarn along the edge of your knitting as shown in the diagram. Where you have started a new ball, weave one tail in one direction and the other tail in the opposite direction. Once you have weaved in approximately 10-15cm then cut the tail.



MAKING MEMOIRS

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THIS PROJECT WAS

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YOUR PROJECT DESERVES SOME SEXY YARN



CRAZY SEXY WOOL
100% Peruvian Wool



SUGAR BABY ALPACA
100% Baby Alpaca



WOOL ME TENDER
100% Peruvian Wool



JERSEY BE GOOD
98% Cotton
2% Elastane



MIXTAPE YARN
80% Cotton
20% Polyester



BILLIE JEAN
100% Upcycled Denim



SHINY HAPPY COTTON
100% Peruvian
Pima Cotton



WOOLY BULLY ALPACA
80% Superfine Alpaca
20% Merino Wool



SHEEPACA YARN
50% Baby Alpaca
50% Merino Wool



TAKE CARE MOHAIR
78% Kid Mohair
13% Wool / 9% Polyamide



FEELING GOOD
70% Baby Alpaca
7% Merino / 23% Nylon

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