

# The Great Pumpkin

Level: Intermediate

# FINISHED MEASUREMENTS

Approximately 14" tall x 20" diameter

## **MATERIALS**

**Premier® Yarns** Couture Jazz® (81% acrylic, 19% polymide; 100gr/16.5 yds)

#26-28 Rust (MC) - 16 balls

• #26-08 Olive (CC) - 1 ball

**Needles**: US size 50 (25 mm) 32" circular needle **Notions**: Sewing needle and thread to match MC

3 firm queen-size bed pillows for stuffing.

#### **GAUGE**

4 sts x 6 rows = 4" in Reverse St st

#### **PATTERN NOTES**

To avoid having to deal with lots of ends as you work, join your skeins of yarn together before beginning to knit. Folding raw ends into the tube as you work, use needle and thread to sew skeins of yarn together, end to end. Wind each color into one large ball.

#### **POUF**

With MC, cast on 32 sts. You'll need to start your cast-on with a tail about 3 yards long.

Row 1 (WS): Purl.

**Row 2:** P29, w&t.

**Row 3:** K26, w&t.

**Row 4:** P23, w&t. **Row 5:** K20, w&t.

Row 6: P17, w&t.

Row 7: K14, w&t.

Row 8: Purl to end.

Row 9: Purl. Row 10: Knit.

Row 11: K29, w&t.

**Row 12:** P26, w&t. **Row 13:** K23, w&t.

Row 14: P20, w&t.

**Row 15:** K17, w&t.

**Row 16:** P14, w&t.

Row 17: Knit to end.

Row 18: Knit

Repeat Rows 1-18 four more times.

Bind off.

## Stem

With RS facing, using CC, pick up and knit 18 sts along one short side edge of piece.

Row 1 (WS): P2tog 9 times.

Row 2: K2tog 4 times, k1. 5 sts.

Row 3: Purl. Row 4: Knit

Rows 5 and 6: Repeat Rows 3 and 4. Cut yarn, leaving a tail 12" long. Thread tail through remaining sts and pull tight to fasten off.

## Finishing:

The easiest way to sew with this yarn is to use your fingers to poke and pull the yarn between the stitches.

Continuing with CC tail, sew seam down side of stem.

Using MC, with RS facing, sew the bound off edge to the cast on edge until there is about 8" left open. Arrange pillows inside pouf, rolling them so the long edges of the pillows sit against the closed top of the pouf. Continue sewing seam, then weave tail in and out through the ends of the row and pull tight to gather bottom of pouf closed. Tie a knot and tuck ends in.

#### **Abbreviations**

k knit p purl

p2tog purl 2 sts together

RS Right Side rep repeat st(s) stitch(es)

kt wrap & turn: with yarn to WS of work, slip next st to right-hand needle, bring yarn

to RS of work, slip st back to left-hand needle, turn piece to continue working in the other direction for next row. See

tutorial. WS Wrong Side