

Reader Mug Cosy

This pattern is adapted for 3 different weights of wool: choose the one you prefer to knit with. If you only have a small amount of time then the quickest to knit up will be the super-chunky yarn; if you want to try your hand at incorporating the Reader logo into the pattern, then you will get the best finish from the thinner yarns.

The stitches are interchangeable – choose the stitch that you like best, remembering that if you are knitting the logo, it will look best if the yarn is kept to the back of the right side (ie stocking stitch or similar).



The finished item (when laid flat) should look like the diagram (on back page). It should measure approximately 23cmx9cm, with the tabs measuring an additional 1-2cm

If you are an experienced knitter and/or have circular needles, it is possible to knit the item as one cylindrical piece. The patterns written here assume that there will be a joining seam.

Crocheting: if you wish to crochet your mug cosy this can be done by creating 3 x 8cm “granny squares”, joining them together and crocheting the tabs to the main body.

To Make Up: Sew opposing tabs together to create a cylinder shape, with a gap for mug handle to stick through. To finish, hand stitch around the top cuff: **FEEL BETTER WITH A BOOK** in a contrasting shade.

The Patterns

For Double Knit Yarn (using 3.75mm needles)

Ribbed cuffs with Stocking Stitch body

Cast on 62 sts

Row 1: k1, p1, k1, p1 → end

Row 2: p1, k1, p1, k1 → end } rows 1 & 2 form a rib stitch

Row 3: rib st as set in previous 2 rows

Row 4: cast off 3 sts in p; p → last 3 sts; cast off 3 (56sts)

Row 5: k → end

Row 6: p → end } rows 5 & 6 form a stocking stitch (st st) – this will make up the main body of the pattern.

Rows 7-29: st st (if knitting the Reader logo into the item, see **diagram** for pattern)

Row 30: create 3 sts in rib (p1, k1, p1); rib st → end; create 3 sts in rib (62sts)

Row 31&32: rib st

Cast off sts.

For Chunky or Thick Aran Yarn (using 5.5mm needles)

Ribbed cuffs with Garter Stitch body

Cast on 42 sts

Row 1: k1, p1, k1, p1 → end

Row 2: p1, k1, p1, k1 → end } rows 1 & 2 form a rib stitch

Row 3: Cast off 2 sts in k; k → last 2 sts; cast off 2 (38 sts)

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Row 4: k → end

Row 5: k → end } rows 4 & 5 form a garter stitch – this will make up the main body of the pattern

Rows 6-16: garter st

Row 17: create 2 sts in rib (kl, pl); rib → end; create 2 sts in rib (42 sts)

Row 18: rib st

Cast off

For Super Chunky Yarn (using 9- 10mm needles)

Moss Stitch throughout

Cast on 26 sts

Row 1: kl, pl, kl, pl → end

Row 2: cast off 1 st; kl, pl, kl, pl → last 1 st; cast off 1 st (24 sts)

Row 3: pl, kl, pl, kl → end

Row 4: kl, pl, kl, pl → end } rows 3&4 make up a moss stitch, which will form the pattern.

Rows 5-9: moss st

Row 10: create 1 st (p); moss st → end; create 1 st (k) (26 sts)

Cast off

Knitting in the Reader Logo

Do this, as you go, using a contrasting shade. Keep the yarn to the wrong side of the work, following the pattern as set out below:

