

Seed Stitch Napkin Ring

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This is the first napkin ring that I designed for what became a “sampler” set of six napkin rings to be a Christmas gift, along with some lovely napkins.

I chose seed stitch because it’s one of my favorite stitches and I thought it would be an attractive complement—simple but with nice texture—to the napkins I fancied, which were quite colorful and had both writing and figures on them (see top photo).

If you use Lorna’s Laces Green Line DK, as I did, you can make six napkin rings from just one hank—a beautiful bargain!

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1 hank Lorna’s Laces Green Line DK (100% organic merino wool; 145 yd/2 oz), shown at right in Chocolate (top) and Growth (bottom).

NEEDLES & NOTIONS

US 4 (3.5 mm) dpns, set of 4.

Stitch marker.

Napkin ring inserts, 44 mm diameter
(optional; see **NOTES**).

Darning needle to finish.



GAUGE

5.5 sts and 8 rows = 1” in St st, however gauge is not critical (see **NOTES**).

FINISHED SIZE

Before edges folded and seamed over insert, approx 2.75” high and 7” around center.



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NOTES

The beginning five rounds and ending five rounds (in St st) form the napkin ring's interior. If you don't want to use inserts, visit MakerKnit.com and search "napkin ring" for suggestions on changing the pattern and for other finishing alternatives.

The stated gauge will produce a knitted tube that fits around 44 mm inserts, with the finished napkin ring being about 1.5" high and 7.25" around. So unless you choose to use similar inserts or want your napkin rings to be exactly that size, gauge is not critical.

For the long-tail CO method, leave yourself a 23" tail when making your slipknot.

INSTRUCTIONS

CO 37 sts. Spread out sts over 3 dpns—12 sts, 12 sts, 13 sts. PM and join to work in the rnd, being careful not to twist sts.

Rnds 1 through 5: k all sts.

Rnd 6: begin Seed st (*k1, p1, repeat from * to end of rnd).

Rnd 7: *p1, k1, repeat from * to end of rnd.

Rnds 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18: repeat Rnd 6.

Rnds 9, 11, 13, 15, 17: repeat Rnd 7.

Rnds 19 through 23: k all sts.

FINISHING

BO wise leaving 18" tail for seaming. Use BO tail and invisible horizontal seam to sew CO and BO edges tog over napkin ring insert (if using), tucking in CO tail under seam as you go. For finishing help, visit MakerKnit.com and enter "napkin ring" in the search box.

ABBREVIATIONS

approx	approximately	p	purl
BO	bind off	PM	place marker
CO	cast on	rnd(s)	round(s)
dpns	double-pointed needles	st(s)	stitch(es)
k	knit	St st	Stockinette stitch
kwise	knitwise, as if to knit	tog	together
mm	millimeter(s)	yd	yard(s)
oz	ounce(s)	*	repeat starting point



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