

**Materials:**

2 skeins worsted weight yarn ~or~
 1 skein of bulky weight yarn
 Size 11 circular needles (20" or 24")
 Size 11 double-pointed needles.

Note: If using worsted weight, knit entire piece with 2 strands of yarn together.

Skills: Knit, Purl, knitting in the round, working short rows, w1 (wrap one stitch)

Cast on 60 stitches; join into a circle, placing a marker to note beginning of each round.

Short rows to build up back of cocoon:

Round 1: (K1, P1) around
 Round 2: (K1, P1) around
 Round 3: Knit 40 stitches, w1, turn.
 Round 4: Purl 20 stitches, w1, turn.
 Round 5: Knit 25, w1, turn.
 Round 6: Purl 30, w1, turn.
 Round 7: Knit 35, w1, turn.
 Round 8: Purl 40, w1, turn.
 Round 9: Knit to 'Round Marker'. Remove marker. Knit 15 stitches place 'Round Marker'. NOTE: The 'Round Marker' will now be at the side of the cocoon, instead of the front.

Body:

Continue in stockinette stitch (Knit all rounds) until piece measures 16" at front (shortest part of piece).
 Divide work evenly onto 3 double-point needles.

Decreases:

Round 1: *K1, K2tog, repeat from * across
 Round 2: *K1, K2tog, repeat from * across
 Round 3: *K1, K2tog, repeat from * across
 Divide stitches evenly onto 2 double-point needles.
 Finish piece using the Kitchener Stitch or a three needle bind-off.



How to W1: Work to turning point, bring yarn to the front. Slip the next stitch on your left needle purl-wise. Return yarn to back. Return slipped stitch back to the left needle