

A la Ronde Tea cosy

Based on King Cole pattern 9014 for medium (4 cup) teapot. Abbreviations as used there.

Front

With 3 1/4 mm needles and grey cast on 43 stitches.

1st Row P1, *K1, P1 rep from * to end.

2nd Row K1, *P1, K1 rep from * to end.

Repeat these 2 rows.

Change to 4mm needles and beg with K row work in st-st following chart for rows 5 to 31.

Change wool to air-force blue starting with a purl row.

Shape top

1st row K4 (K2tog, K9) 3 times, K4 (39sts)

Beg with a P row work 2 rows in st-st according to chart.

4th row P2 blue, P12 white, P10 blue, P13 white, P2 blue

5th row K2 blue, K1 white, K2tog blue, K1 blue, K1 white, K3 blue, K1 white, K1 blue, K2tog blue, K1 white, K4 blue, K2tog blue, K4 blue, K1 white, K1 blue, K2tog blue, K2 blue, K1 white, K4 blue, K1 white, K2 blue. (35 sts)

6th row P2 blue, *P1 white, P4 blue* rep from * to *, P1 white, P9 blue, P1 white, P2 blue, P1 white, P3 blue, P1 white, P2 blue, P1 white, P2 blue

7th row *K2 blue, K1 white*, rep from * to * K2 tog blue, K1 blue, K1 white, K2 blue, K1 White, K2 blue, K2tog blue, K3 blue, K2tog blue, K1 blue, K2 tog blue, * K1 white, K4 blue* rep from * to *, K1 white, K2 blue (32 sts)

8th row. P2 blue, *P1 white, P4 blue*, rep from * to *, P1 white, P7 blue, *P1 white, P2 blue * rep three times from * to *

9th row. K2tog blue, (K1 white, K2 blue), K1 white, K2tog blue, K3 blue, K2tog blue, *K1 white, K1 blue, K2 tog blue, K1 blue * rep from * to *, K1 white, K2 blue. (27 sts)

10th row. P2 blue, P9 white, P5 blue, P8 white, P2 blue

11th row All blue K2, (K2tog, K5) 3 times, K2tog, K2 (23 sts)

P 1 row

13th row K2, (K2tog, K4) 3 times (19 sts)

P 1 row

15th row K1, (K2tog, K3) 3 times, K2tog, K1 (15 sts)

P 1 row

17th row K1, (K2tog, K2), 3 times K2tog (11 sts)

P 1 row

19th row K1, K2tog 5 times (6sts)

P 1 row

Cast off

Back

Row 1 to 4 as front

Row 5 Change to 4mm needles and follow chart for back from row 5 to 31.

Change to blue wool and P one row

Shape Top

1st row as Front

2nd to 4th row as Front

5th row Blue K4, (K2tog, K9) 3 times, K2tog, K3. (35 sts)

P 1 row blue

7th row K2 blue, K2tog blue, K10 white, K2tog blue, K3 blue, K2tog blue, K10 white, K2tog blue, K2 blue. (31 sts)

8th row P3 blue, (P1 white, P2 blue) 3 times, P1 white, P5 blue, (P1 white, P2 blue) 3 times, P1 white, P3 blue

9th row K1 blue, K2tog blue, (K1 white, K2 blue) 3 times, K1 white, K2tog blue, K1 blue, K2tog blue, (K1 white, K2 blue) 3 times, K1 white, K2tog blue, K1 blue (27 sts)

10th row P2 blue, (P1 white, P2 blue) 3 times, P1 white, P3 blue, (P1 white, P2 blue) 3 times, P1 white, P2 blue

11th row K2 blue, K1 white, K2tog blue, K1 white, K2 blue, K1 white, K2tog blue, K1 white, K3 blue, K1 white, K2tog blue, K1 white, K2 blue, K1 white, K2tog blue, K1 white, K2 blue (23 sts)

12th row P2 blue, *P1 white, P1 blue, P1 white, P2 blue, P1 white, P1 blue, P1 white*, P3 blue, rep from * to *, P2 blue

13th row. K2 blue, * K3 white, K2tog white, K3 white*, K3 tog blue, rep from * to *, K2 blue (19 sts)

14th row P in blue

15th row onwards as Front

Chimneys (2)

1. With right side facing and 4mm double pointed needles using grey yarn pick up 4 sts from cast off edge of one side then K across sts.

Next row: *without turning the work, and RS facing, slide the stitches to the other end of the needle and, pulling the yarn from the left hand side of the stitches to the right across the back, K1 tbl, K3* rep from * to *, remembering to pull the yarn tightly across the back and always working a K row, until the cord measures 9cm from beg.

Cast off.

2. Join top edge as below and with RS facing pick up 2 stitches on either side of join and repeat as for 1 though only work 8cm.

To make up:

Sew in all ends. Sew up sides by sewing through edge stitches, using mattress stitch, as follows; On right hand side; 3cm up from bottom edges, leave approximately 8.5cm open for teapot handle, then sew above handle opening to top. On left hand side; 2cm up from bottom edges, leave approximately 8cm open for teapot spout, then sew to top of cosy.

Sew end of shorter length chimney to top of cosy then end of other taking it over shorter one and sew to opposite side.

Materials used

Patons Fab DK in shades 2310 (grey), 2323 (red), 2307(cream), 2319 (forest green) and Air Force blue usually in 100g balls 1 of each.