

Mini Traffic Cones

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Photo: Rebecca Wilova

Model: Picasso

Materials:

small amount of orange worsted weight yarn

size 6 dpns

small amount of stuffing or fiberfill

Gauge:

Gauge is not important for this project. You want the knitted fabric to be fairly tight so the stuffing does not show through and the cones keep their shape well.

Cone:

Cast 10 stitches onto each of three dpns. Leave an extra long tail for attaching the cone to the base. Join for working in the round, being careful not to twist stitches.

*K 2 rounds

Decrease round: K 2 tog at the beginning of each needle.* Three stitches decreased.

Continue working from * to * (K 2 rounds, work decrease round) until there are two stitches remaining on each needle. Cut yarn and thread yarn through the remaining stitches with a tapestry needle. Pull the top of the cone closed. Using tapestry needle pull yarn tail through the top of the cone to the inside to hide the tail. Weave end in if desired.

Base:

Cast 15 stitches onto one dpn. Work in garter stitch (K every row) for 26 rows or until piece is square. Bind off.



Finishing:

Stuff cone firmly with fiberfill. Center the cone on the base. Using the extra long tail and a tapestry needle stitch around the cone to secure it to the base. Secure yarn ends and weave in as desired. Give to a giant kitty type friend to enjoy, or maybe send to a friend.

Variations: make the Traffic Cones bigger or smaller by casting on more or fewer stitches and knitting the pattern as written. Adjust the number of stitches cast on for the base for the size of the cone. The cones are particularly fun when 5 or 6 stitches are cast on to each dpn. Cones shown in photo are made in several different sizes, the size as written and smaller.