

Nematode

Equipment needed:

- Yarn scraps in 2 different colours (we used DK yarn) and appropriate needles (we used 4mm double pointed needles).
- This is worked as an i-cord (you'll be moving the stitches from one end of the needle to the other, pulling the yarn across the back as you go).
- Tapestry needle.

To make:

In our version the green is Yarn A and pink is Yarn B

Cast on 2 stitches in yarn A, 1 in yarn B, 2 stitches in yarn A (5 stitches)

Knit 3 rows using the i-cord method, following the colours set above

In yarn A, K1, M1, K1, in yarn B, K1, M1, In yarn A K1, M1, K1 (8 stitches total)

Knit using the same colours as above, until your nematode measures as long as you like using the i-cord method throughout.

When you have reached the length you would like, In yarn A k2tog, k1, In yarn B, k2tog, In yarn A k2tog, k1 (5 stitches)

Knit 3 rows

Pass the second stitch over the first and continue until 1 stitch left

Fasten off

In order to make our nematode curl, we put some of yarn A on a tapestry needle and threaded it through both sides of the i-cord and bound this off.

I-cord method: you can find an excellent explanation of the i-cord method on the Craftsy website: <https://www.craftsy.com/blog/2013/04/how-to-knit-i-cord/>



Key
K1 – knit one stitch
M1 – make one stitch
K2tog – knit 2 stitches together

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