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KNIT VERSION

PUP RUFF-KNIT

Pup ruffs are decorative knitted and crocheted collars for your dog. Worked in the round, they stretch to fit over the head, and then spring back to comfortably encircle their neck. This pattern is for the knitted version.

These instructions are for a small dog with a 6" neck circumference, and worn with the ruff facing up against the base of the head. This pattern is easily adjusted to fit any size neck. Just adjust yarn quantity and stitch count by an even number to accommodate your dog.

Supplies:

Yarn: At least 75 yards Knit Picks Brava

Worsted; 218 yds/100g - Rouge

Needles: US Size 7 (4.5mm)

US Size 7 (4.5 mm) circular (32")

Stitch Marker Tapestry Needle

Gauge: 4 SPI on US size 7

Instructions:

18 Purl all

- Using US size 7 needles CO 36 Stitches
- Join in the round taking care not to twist.

Glossary:

CO Cast On

sm Stitch Marker

K Knit

K1bl Knit 1 stitch through back of loop

P Purl

BL Backwards loop* increase: 2 stitches

Kfbl Knit in the front of the loop, then the back of

the loop: 2 stitches

W&T Wrap & Turn: With yarn in back, slip 1 stitch

knitwise, wrap yarn from back to front, slip

stitch back to left needle, turn.

BO Bind Off

Round:

1-8	Place sm to indicate beginning of row. K1tbl, P1 across entire round	36
9	Knit to sm, slip and then with the next stitch, W&T	
10	K1, BL across entire round (hyperbolic increase)	72
11	Knit all – loosely (if desired, and if you haven't done so already, switch to circular needles. Rounds will grow fast from this point)	
12	Kfbl every stitch (hyperbolic increase)	144
13	Knit all - loosely	
14	Kfbl every stitch (hyperbolic increase)	288
15	Knit all	
16	Purl all	
17	Knit all	

BO knit-wise, cut yarn, weave in ends

For a <u>larger ruffle</u> on your Pup Ruff, just double the number of knitted rows between increase rows and/or add more hyperbolic increase row & plain row combinations until you get your desired ruff volume. The more hyperbolic increases you do, the more convolutions your ruffle will have.

If you wish to have the <u>ruff facing down</u>, omit the W&T instruction and proceed as instructed.

Always end in 2 purl rows and a knit-wise bind-off to ensure your Pup Ruff only curls at the very edge.



*Make one by adding a backwards loop: Here's a <u>video tutorial</u> for this simple increase. This provides for more ventilation near the pup's neck as well as extra stretch needed to clear its head. You can use this method for all of your hyperbolic increases, however the Kfbl looks neater and more polished.