Minions' I-Pad or Tablet Cover By Stana D. Sortor

After seeing the movie <u>Despicable me 2</u> I wanted to knit more minions. I also wanted to create a new pattern, and it just seemed appropriate to create a cover for I-Pad or Tablet resembling the adorable minions.



Finished size: Tablet cover is $8\frac{1}{4}$ " (21cm) wide and $11\frac{1}{2}$ " (29cm) long. I-pad cover is $8\frac{1}{4}$ " (21cm) wide and $9\frac{1}{2}$ " (24cm) long.

Yarn: Approximately 1 ball each of medium worsted yarn in yellow and blue (for my minions I used Bernat Handicrafter cotton in lemon and blueberry color), remnants of white, black and grey colored yarn.

Recommended Needles size: Double pointed needles (DPN) US #3/3.25mm (set of 5), or your preferred method for working in the rounds.

Notions: Yarn needle, scissors, stitch marker, stitch holder, two buttons.

Abbreviations: SSK= slip stitch, slip stitch, and knit the 2 stitches together, this decreases 2 stitches to 1 stitch.

KFB = Knit in front and back of the same stitch, this creates 2 stitches from 1stitch. K2tog = knit two stitches together, this decreases two stitches to one stitch.

Techniques:

Seed stitch: Must be even number of stitches.

Row 1: *Knit 1, Purl 1; repeat from * to end of row **Row 2:** *Purl 1, Knit 1; repeat from * to end of row To create seed stitch repeat row 1 and 2 for pattern.

Gauge: 17sts & 27 rows = 4" in stockinette stitches.

INSTRUCTIONS:

With two double pointed needles using as straight needles cast on 16sts in blue color yarn. Work in the seed stitch technique.

Row 1: *Knit 1, Purl 1; repeat from * to end of row (16sts total)

Row 2: *Purl 1, Knit 1; repeat from * to end of row (16sts total)

Row 3: KFB,*Purl 1, Knit 1; repeat from * to end of row, KFB to the last stitch (18sts total)

Row 4: *Knit 1, Purl 1; repeat from * to end of row (18sts total)

Row 5: KFB, *Knit 1, Purl 1; repeat from * to end of row, KFB to the last stitch (20sts total)

Row 6: *Purl 1, Knit 1; repeat from * to end of row (20sts total)

Row 7: KFB,*Purl 1, Knit 1; repeat from * to end of row, KFB to the last stitch (22sts total)

Row 8: *Knit 1, Purl 1; repeat from * to end of row (22sts total)

Row 9: *Purl 1, Knit 1; repeat from * to end of row (22sts total)

Row 10: *Knit 1, Purl 1; repeat from * to end of row (22sts total)

Row 11: KFB, *Knit 1, Purl 1; repeat from * to end of row, KFB to the last stitch (24sts total)

Row 12: *Purl 1, Knit 1; repeat from * to end of row (24sts total)

Row 13: *Knit 1, Purl 1; repeat from * to end of row (24sts total)

Row 14: *Purl 1, Knit 1; repeat from * to end of row (24sts total)

Row 15: KFB,*Purl 1, Knit 1; repeat from * to end of row, KFB to the last stitch (26sts total)

Row 16: *Knit 1, Purl 1; repeat from * to end of row (26sts total)

Row 17: *Purl 1, Knit 1; repeat from * to end of row (26sts total)

Row 18: *Knit 1, Purl 1; repeat from * to end of row (26sts total)

Row 19: KFB, *Knit 1, Purl 1; repeat from * to end of row, KFB to the last stitch (28sts total)

Row 20: *Purl 1, Knit 1; repeat from * to end of row (28sts total)

Row 21: *Knit 1, Purl 1; repeat from * to end of row (28sts total)

Row 22: *Purl 1, Knit 1; repeat from * to end of row (28sts total)

Row 23: KFB,*Purl 1, Knit 1; repeat from * to end of row, KFB to the last stitch (30sts total)

Row 24: *Knit 1, Purl 1; repeat from * to end of row (30sts total)

Row 25: *Purl 1, Knit 1; repeat from * to end of row (30sts total)

Row 26: *Knit 1, Purl 1; repeat from * to end of row (30sts total)

Row 27: KFB, *Knit 1, Purl 1; repeat from * to end of row, KFB to the last stitch (32sts total)

Row 28: *Purl 1, Knit 1; repeat from * to end of row (32sts total)

Row 29: *Knit 1, Purl 1; repeat from * to end of row (32sts total)

Row 30: *Purl 1, Knit 1; repeat from * to end of row (32sts total)

Row 31: KFB,*Purl 1, Knit 1; repeat from * to end of row, KFB to the last stitch (34sts total)

Row 32: *Knit 1, Purl 1; repeat from * to end of row (34sts total)

Row 33: *Purl 1, Knit 1; repeat from * to end of row (34sts total)

Row 34: *Knit 1, Purl 1; repeat from * to end of row (34sts total)

Row 35: Pick up another 34sts. Divide the 68sts equally onto four double pointed needles (17sts per needle), and knit around, carefully join the beginning and end of the row making sure the stitches are not twisted. (68sts total)

Row 36 - 49: Knit around 14 rows in blue yarn (68sts total). Cut off the blue yarn and attach the yellow yarn.

Row 50 - 104: Knit around 55 rows in yellow yarn (68sts total).

Row 105: Turn the work inside out. Knit and cast off the stitches from the front and from the back of your work, using the method of 3 needles bind off (*).

* If you are familiar with the kitchener stitch you could use it instead of the 3 needles bind off technique.

With blue yarn and double pointed needle cast on 3sts, work in I-cord attaching the I-cord along the edge of the opening. At each corner of cast on row continue I-cord for approximately 2" without attaching it to your work, this will make the loop for the buttons. Continue the I-cord, attaching it around the edge until you reach the beginning of your I-cord. Cut the yarn, leaving a long tail, and thread the end on a yarn needle. Pull the end through the remaining stitches on the needles, gather up and close the hole, stitch to secure.

Goggles:

The grey sides of goggles:

With the grey yarn cast on 5sts. I-cord for approximately 6.5" (16cm). Cut the yarn, leaving long enough tail, and thread the tail on a yarn needle. Pull the end through the remaining stitches on needle, gather up and close the hole. Sew together the beginning and end of I-cord. This creates one circle. Repeat for second circle.

White patch:

With the white yarn and two double pointed needles using as straight needles cast on 5sts

Row 1: Knit (5sts total)

Row 2: Purl (5sts total)

Row 3: KFB, Knit 3, KFB (7sts total)

Row 4: Purl (7sts total)

Row 5: KFB, Knit 5, KFB (9sts total)

Row 6: Purl (9sts total)

Row 7: Knit (9sts total)

Row 8: Purl (9sts total)

Row 9: SSK, Knit 5, K2tog (7sts total)

Row 10: Purl (7sts total)

Row 11: SSK, Knit3, K2tog (5sts total)

Row 12: Purl (5sts total)

Row 13: Knit and cast off.

Sew the grey circle to the white patch. If the goggles are double eyed, sew the two grey circles together on one side. Use the picture as a guide. Embroider the eyes with black yarn.

The black belt for the goggles:

With the black yarn cast on 6sts. I-cord for approximately 13.5" (34cm). If single eyed google the length will be slightly longer. Please make sure to measure the length by putting the belt and

goggles around the Minions head. Cut the yarn, leaving long enough tail, and thread the tail on a yarn needle. Pull the end through the remaining stitches on needle, gather up and close the hole. Sew the beginning of the I-cord to one side of the google circles, and the other end to the other side. Sew the goggles to the face of the Minion using the picture as a guide.

Finishing:

Sew the buttons on the front of the cover, using the picture as a guide. With the black yarn embroider the smile on Minions face. Weave in all ends.





Note: For the I-pad cover knit only rows 1 - 92, then continue with row 105.

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