

Golden Carrot

Item Reference — Arctic Wool World



Reference art for construction guidance. Colors/pose may vary slightly from your finished piece.

Golden Carrot — Knitting Pattern

A perfectly tapered root vegetable using symmetrical decreases, finished with an organic, multi-strand green leaf top.

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Knit abbreviations: k = knit · p = purl · kfb = knit into front and back of st (inc 1) · k2tog = knit 2 together (dec 1) · CO = cast on · BO = bind off · dpns = double-pointed needles · pm = place marker · rnd(s) = round(s) · st(s) = stitch(es) · RS/WS = right side / wrong side

Materials

Yarn: Worsted weight yarn. Color A (Orange, 25g) and Color B (Green, 10g).

Needles: US 4 (3.5 mm) DPNs.

Notions: Tapestry needle, fiberfill stuffing.

Gauge

Worked at a relaxed toy-knit tension in worsted weight yarn. Exact gauge isn't critical for a stuffed prop -- adjust stuffing firmness and needle size slightly to taste; a firmer fabric holds shape best.

Instructions

The Carrot Body (Color A)

The carrot is worked in the round from the wide top down to the tip.

Cast on 18 sts using Color A. Divide onto DPNs and join in the round.

Rnds 1–8: Knit all sts around.

Rnd 9 (Decrease): [K4, K2tog] around (15 sts).

Rnds 10–16: Knit all sts.

Rnd 17 (Decrease): [K3, K2tog] around (12 sts).

Rnds 18–24: Knit all sts.

Stuffing: Pack the upper carrot firmly with fiberfill.

Rnd 25 (Decrease): [K2, K2tog] around (9 sts).

Rnds 26–30: Knit all sts.

Rnd 31 (Decrease): [K1, K2tog] around (6 sts).

Rnds 32–34: Knit all sts.

Cut yarn, thread through remaining 6 sts, pull tight to form a pointed root tip, and secure inside.

The Green Tops (Color B)

1. Thread a tapestry needle with a long strand of Color B.
2. Insert the needle into the top open cast-on rim of the carrot, make a loop about 3 inches (8 cm) high, and take a stitch inside the rim to secure it.
3. Repeat this process 10–12 times to create a thick cluster of green loops sticking out of the top.

4. Cut through the tops of all the loops with scissors and fray the yarn strands slightly with your fingers to look like real, leafy carrot tops. Drawstring the orange cast-on edge tightly around the base of the leaves to seal the carrot.