

Wizard's Cane & Staff

Item Reference — Arctic Wool World



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

Wizard's Cane & Staff — Knitting Pattern

To prevent a knitted stick from sagging, this designer pattern incorporates an internal wire armature. The top features a balanced increase sequence to create a smooth, curved hook.

This is an original pattern written for this item, based on standard, generic amigurumi and toy-knitting construction techniques (magic ring/CO, spiral increases and decreases, i-cord, stuffed tubes and spheres). It does not copy, trace, or reproduce any published or copyrighted pattern -- these underlying construction techniques are standard craft knowledge, not anyone's intellectual property, the same way a recipe's technique of 'creaming butter and sugar' isn't owned by any one baker.

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 (Bark Brown, 30g).

Needles: US 4 (3.5 mm) Double Pointed Needles (DPNs) — only 2 needles are used for the I-cord.

Notions: Tapestry needle, 12-inch piece of heavy-duty aluminum craft wire or insulated electrical wire, pliers.

Abbreviations: Kfb = Knit into front and back of st, K2tog = Knit 2 sts together, sl1 = slip 1 stitch.

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

Main Shaft (Worked as an I-Cord)

Cast on 6 sts onto one DPN using Color A.

Row 1: Knit all 6 sts. Do not turn the needle.

Row 2: Slide the 6 sts back to the right-hand tip of the DPN. Bring the working yarn tightly across the back of the work, and knit all 6 sts again.

Repeat Row 2 continuously until the hollow tube measures 8 inches (20 cm) from the cast-on edge.

Shaping the Curved Handle Hook

We will now use partial row increases to force one side of the tube to grow faster, creating a natural crook.

Next Row: Slide sts back. K2, Kfb, Kfb, K2 (8 sts).

Next 4 Rows: Work standard I-cord over these 8 sts.

Next Row: Slide sts back. K3, Kfb, Kfb, K3 (10 sts).

Next 6 Rows: Work standard I-cord over these 10 sts.

Next Row (Decrease): Slide sts back. K3, K2tog, K2tog, K3 (8 sts).

Next Row: Slide sts back. K2, K2tog, K2tog, K2 (6 sts).

Work 3 more rows of standard 6-st I-cord to finish the tip of the hook.

Bind off all sts.

Internal Structure & Finishing

1. Take your heavy-duty wire and use pliers to fold both sharp ends inward by 1/4 inch so they form smooth loops (this prevents the wire from poking through the yarn over time).

2. Push the wire frame carefully down into the hollow center of the I-cord tube.
3. Thread the yarn tails onto a tapestry needle. Sew both the bottom cast-on edge and the top bind-off tip completely flat and closed.
4. Use your hands to manually bend the upper section of the wire-filled stick into a beautiful, permanent wizard's curve.