

Knitted Rescue Nest

Directions:

On size 5 dpn's cast on 54 stitches using 2 or 3 strands of yarn so the nests are tightly knit and will stand up in a bowl shape on their own (divide sts up into 18 sts/needle). Work in knit (stockingette is automatic on dpn's) stitch for approximately 7 cm. Begin decreasing for the crown as follows:

Next row: *K 7, k 2 tog* repeat to end

Next row: *K 6, k 2 tog* repeat to end

Next row: *K 5, k 2 tog* repeat to end

Nest row: *K 4, k 2 tog* repeat to end

Next row: *K 3, k 2 tog* repeat to end

Next row: *K 2, k 2 tog* repeat to end

Next row: *K 1, k 2 tog* repeat to end

Clip off yarn leaving a tail of about 15 cm.

Using yarn needle, slide yarn needle under all stitches on needles, and draw tight to close up the end. Knot

You can make your nest with a bottom as small as 7 cm big, up to maybe 15 cm big.

The sides should be about 5 – 7cm high. Bind off and weave in loose ends.

Make sure the nest can stand up in a bowl shape on its own.

Pattern from WIRES

<https://www.wires.org.au/wildlife-info/wildlife-factsheets/making-wildlife-nests>

