



Toadstool and Mushroom
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knitting
pattern



FINISHED SIZES Toadstool - 9cm/ 3½in long x 7cm/ 3in diameter across cap

Mushroom - 7cm/ 3¾in long x 5cm/ 2in diameter across cap

YARN Toadstool underside - colour A - Scheepjes Catona in English Tea

Toadstool cap - colour B - Scheepjes Catona in Poppy Rose

Mushroom underside - colour A - Rico Crochet Cotton in Natural

Mushroom cap- colour B - Rico Crochet Cotton in White

NEEDLES Toadstool - Pair 4mm/ size 6 knitting needles

Mushroom - Pair 2.50mm/ size 1 knitting needles

TENSION N/A

EXTRAS Toy filling or scraps of yarn for stuffing, blunt ended yarn or tapestry needle

Mushroom and toadstool Pattern

Beginning with the outer edge of the underside

Colour A - cast on 36sts

Row 1 *K1, p1, rep from * across

Row 2 dec) *K1, [p1, k1] 3 times, k2 tog, p1, [k1, p1] 3 times, p2 tog**,
rep from * to ** once - 32sts

Row 3 *K1 [k1, p1] 4 times, p1, [k1, p1] 3 times** rep from * to ** once

Row 4 dec) *[K1, p1] 3 times, k2 tog, [p1, k1] 3 times, p2 tog**, rep
from * to ** once - 28sts

Row 5 *K1, p1, rep from * across

Row 6 dec) *K1, [p1, k1] twice, k2 tog, p1, [k1, p1] twice, p2 tog**, rep from * to ** once - 24sts

Row 7 *K1 [k1, p1] 3 times, p1, [k1, p1] twice** rep from * to ** once

Row 8 dec) *[K1, p1] twice, k2 tog, [p1, k1] twice, p2 tog**, rep from * to ** once - 20sts

Row 9 *K1, p1, rep from * across

Row 10 dec) *K1, p1, k1, k2 tog, p1, k1, p1, p2 tog**, rep from * to ** once - 16sts

Row 11 *K1 [k1, p1] twice, p1, k1, p1** rep from * to ** once

Row 12 dec) *K1, p1, k2 tog, p1, k1, p2 tog**, rep from * to ** once - 12sts

Stalk

Rows 13 - 32 Garter stitch 20 rows

Row 33 dec) k

K2 tog, rep from * all across - 6sts

Cut yarn, thread yarn through all 6 sts, pull up and secure the end - then, to join the seam - sew back up along the stalk and the row ends from the underside using mattress stitch. Thread the end through to the bottom of the stalk to become roots!

Add more 'roots' if you wish either using some embroidery silks or just yarn

Cap of the mushroom/ toadstool

Leave a longish tail end, cast on 12sts

***Row 1** RS) K3, turn

Row 2 WS) Slip 1 knit-wise, k2

Row 3 K9, turn

Row 4 Slip 1 knit-wise, k8

Row 5 K6, turn

Row 6 Slip 1 knit-wise, k5

Rows 7 -8 Garter stitch 2 rows**

Rep last 8 rows from * to ** 9 times for the mushroom/ 15 times for the toadstool. Cast (bind) off.

Join the cast on/ cast off edge working mattress stitch.

Using the tail end work a running stitch around the tops of the stitches at the short edge and pull up to gather and close the centre of the cap - make the gathered edge the wrong side.

Join the top to the stalk... With the wrong side of the cap facing down atop of the stalk, overcast the cap to the stalk easing the cast on edge of stalk together with the row ends of cap - matching the back seam of both and at the same time stuffing lightly - note: the cap is larger than the top of the stalk so you'll need to stretch the stalk to fit as intended!

For the toadstool work a few either French knots or three or four simple small straight stitches (per spot) for the spot detailing in yarn A.

Manipulate the shape squashing and flattening with your fingers to finish.