



Zippy Pillow

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Whether used as the perfect companion to the [Zippy Foot Pouf](#) or all by itself, this comfy throw pillow provides a splash of color and textures to any home décor!



LOOM: Zippy Loom, 8 pegs used.

YARN: Red Heart Grande (46 yds per skein), super bulky #6 weight: approx 3 skeins (in color: currant) **Note: this yarn is very bulky for a #6...almost rope-like. If you substitute a yarn of a thinner width, you'll possibly need to hold 2 strands as one throughout to get the desired thickness for the project.

NOTIONS: loom tool, 6.5mm crochet hook (for cast on and help with possible missed stitches, etc), scissors, wide eye yarn needle, row counter, knitting pins, removable stitch markers or bits of scrap yarn, 1-2 large decorative button (if desired), stuffing of choice (see Pattern Notes) .

GAUGE: 6 stitches and 9.5 rows per 4".

PILLOW POUF MEASUREMENTS:

Diameter approx 14"

Height: approx 4"

SKILLS NEEDED: U-Stitch, E-wrap, Purl, Slip, Wrap & Turn, CO of your choice, Basic BO, Seaming Skills.

ABBREVIATIONS

CO: cast on

S1: slip one stitch (do not knit it, carry working yarn behind peg)

k: knit (pattern uses U-stitch)

p: purl stitch

KO: knit off





st(s): stitches

WY: working yarn

W&T: wrap & turn (Remove the loop from the peg and hold it. With working yarn, simply wrap around the peg, then place the loop back on the peg.)

rep: repeat

BO: Bind off

Pattern Notes:

As this is working with very large pegs, knit with a snug (yet not too tight) tension throughout. Using the U-stitch as knits helps achieve a fabric that is not too holey for your finished pouf.

Notes on Stuffing: This project allows you to use those tired, worn out linens or blankets you may have lying around the house, but don't have a use for. Or, if preferred, a round pillow form can be purchased at the local craft or fabric shop. The sample uses one fleece blanket that is folded into a long narrow strip, then rolled onto itself like a snail.

INSTRUCTIONS

Top & Bottom: (Make 2)

Connect 2 Zippy looms together for a total of 8 pegs. CO to all 8 pegs.

Prepare to create a series of 8 short row wedges.

Step 1: S1, K1, W&T peg 3.

Step 2: K2 back to peg 1.

Step 3: S1, K2 (KO 2 over 1 on peg with 2 loops), W&T peg 4.

Step 4: K3 back to peg 1.

Step 5: S1, K3 (KO 2 over 1 on peg with 2 loops), W&T peg 5.

Step 6: K4 back to peg 1.

Step 7: S1, K4 (KO 2 over 1 on peg with 2 loops), W&T peg 6.

Step 8: K5 back to peg 1.

Step 9: S1, K5 (KO 2 over 1 on peg with 2 loops), W&T peg 7.

Step 10: K6 back to peg 1.

Step 11: S1, K6 (KO 2 over 1 on peg with 2 loops), W&T peg 8.

Step 12: K7 back to peg 1.

Step 13: S1, K7 (on 8th peg KO 2 sts over 1).

Step 14: S1, P6, K1.

Repeat Steps 1-14 seven more times to create a total of 8 wedges— except on Step 14 of 8th wedge.

Step 14 of 8th Wedge: This will be the BO row. Use the BBO, but purl all sts, rather than knitting them as follows:

- Slip peg 8, purl peg 7,
- Move loop from peg 7 to peg 8, KO,
- Move loop back to peg 7,
- Purl peg 6,
- Move loop from peg 6 to peg 7, KO,
- Move loop back to peg 6...
- Repeat steps until last loop has been bound off,
- Leave any length of yarn in place without cutting...this will be used during the assembly of the pillow pouf later.





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Using yarn tail, seam up BO and CO edges, moving toward the center of circle. Gather the loose stitches at the inside of center and cinch tightly. Knot and trim.

To achieve a flat and uniform shape, block circles lightly.

Sides:

Connect 2 Zippy looms together. CO to 5 pegs to work as a flat panel.

Rows 1-112: Repeat the following 2 row pattern:

Row A- k1, p1, k1, p1, k1.

Row B- p1, k1, p1, k1, p1.

Basic BO all sts. Leave a long tail for seaming sections together.

Finishing:

Using the long BO tail, stitch the sides to the top piece edge, matching each garter stitch bump to each slip stitch edge on the top. (Sample uses mattress stitch, but feel free to use the seaming technique most comfortable.) Continue on to stitch the CO edge to the BO edge.

Stitch the bottom section of the pillow pouf to the other edge of the sides, leaving about 1/3 open for stuffing.

Add the stuffing to the pillow pouf (see Pattern Notes for more instructions). Add enough stuffing material to fill out the pillow pouf to the desired firmness. Keep in mind that as the pouf is used it will compress, so add a little more than seems necessary at first.

Once the pouf is smoothly stuffed, thread a length of yarn onto a yarn needle and pull it down from the top center through the center of the stuffing and out through the bottom center. Move over just a little bit and sew back up through the center, coming out at a spot a little to the side of where you started. Set these 2 tails aside. Continue with the seaming process until the pillow pouf is completely enclosed. Now, cinch the 2 tails sewn through the center of the pillow pouf as tight as possible and fasten with a square knot. Pull all tails to the inside. Stitch decorative buttons securely in place at the center of both the top and bottom of the pillow pouf.

