Knitting & Howe

Santa's Boot

If you use the yardage I recommend, you will be able to get two boots out of the two skeins of yarn. Use one color for the cuff and then the other for the boot. Simply reverse the colors for the second boot. Enjoy & have a happy and healthy holiday!

Materials: 2 skeins of Burly Yarn – approximately 108 yds. per skein

Size 13 (US) Needles

6 black buttons (for two Santa's Boots)

Gauge: 2.5 sts. = 1 inch

Cuff: With first color, cast on 24 stitches. Work the 24 stitches for 16 rows – this is 8 "ridges." (Every 2 rows of knit stitches makes one "knit ridge.")

Change color: Tie on the contrasting color, close to the needle, and start knitting the next row with the new color. You can cut the old color free – just make sure you leave a long enough tail (about 3 inches) for weaving into the seam when it's sewn.

Main Part:

Knit the 24 stitches on the needle with the new color for 26 rows (this is 13 "ridges"). At the beginning of the following row, cast on 11 stitches, and knit the remainder of the row. Repeat this last row one more time. You will have 46 stitches in total. Knit these 46 stitches for 20 rows or 10 "ridges." Now bind off all the stitches – making sure to not bind off too tightly. Hold up the work and see how it's shaped. Upside down, it looks like a T. Fold it in half so that the toe tips of the boot meet. Using an overcast stitch, and the main color yarn, sew the sole of the boot; go around the toe and all the way up the front till you come to the cuff. Fasten off your sewing and turn it right side out. Fold down the top contrasting color to form a cuff that is open over the front seam of the boot. (It will look like an old-fashioned boot with a turned down cuff.)

Finishing:

Now take 3 buttons – any color you like is fine – I use black since they look like real boot buttons. Sew them to the front of the boot – equally spaced down the front seam of the boot leg. In order to hang it, I make a loop: I chain a few stitches with a crochet hook (size K) and affix it to the inside back of the cuff. You could also use plain yarn or ribbon to create a loop with which to hang it up.

Note:

If you would like information on a Santa's Boot kit, please call me on my toll free number: 877.576.1938 or email me: phyllis@knittingandhowe.com.

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