

Milk Bottle

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A fun item to knit to as a companion to a plate for of knitted cookies.

Materials:

- 2 oz. of worsted weight yarn: white
- small amount of worsted weight yarn for the cap
- Small amount of fingering weight yarn in the color of your choice
- 5" double pointed needles, US 5 (3.5 mm)
- yarn needle with blunt point for weaving in ends
- tapestry needle with sharp point for embroidery
- optional: 1 pint plastic milk bottle cut off 3¾" from the bottom

Note: Bryne Dairy has a 1-pint bottle that its flavor milk comes in.

Note about the embroidery: Instead of using the generic "Milk" for the bottle, I used the name of a well-known dairy in my area. Create your design on paper and trace it onto tissue paper. Carefully pin the tissue paper on to the bottle where you plan to embroider you design. Use a *sharp* needle to embroidery your design. Once it is completed, carefully pull the tissue off.



Gauge: 10 sts = 2"

Though gauge is not critical for this project, it is still important.

Finished size: base approximately 2¾" in diameter

Directions:

- With MC, cast on 4 sts.
- Rnds 1, 3, 5, 6, 9, 11: Knit.
- Rnd 2: Using a lifted increase, increase in each stitch. (8 sts)
- Rnd 4: Repeat rnd 2. (16 sts)
- Rnd 6: *K1, increase in next stitch; rep from * around. (24 sts)
- Rnd 8: *K2, increase in next stitch; rep from * around. (32 sts)
- Rnd 10: *K3, increase in next stitch; rep from * around. (40 sts)
- Rnd 12: *K4, increase in next stitch; rep from * around. (40 sts)
- Rnd 13: K. Mark this round as the end of the bottom/beginning of the side.

Continue knitting in the round for about 1½". At this time embroider " 1 Pint, placing the bottom at rnd 15.

Knit until 3¾" from base of bottle. Embroider the design at this time.

Continue knitting in the round:

- 1st dec rnd: *K4, K2 tog; rep from * around.
- K 5 rnds.

Place bottle form in bottle and began to stuff.

2st dec rnd: *K3, K2 tog; rep from * around.

K 5 rnds.

3st dec rnd: *K2, K2 tog; rep from * around.

K 5 rnds.

4st dec rnd: *K1, K2 tog; rep from * around.

K 8 rnds.

5st dec rnd: *K2 tog; rep from * around.

K 1 rnd.

Thread yarn through remaining sts and pull tight. Work in end.

Cap

Cast on 8 sts.

Rnd 1: K.

Rnd 2: Inc 1 st in each st around.

Rnd 3: K.

Rnd 4: *K1, inc in next st; rep from * around.

Rnd 5: K.

Rnd 6 – 10: Work K1, P1 ribbing.

Bind off in pattern.

Sew cap to bottle and weave in ends.

