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# Gnarly Felted Hanging Plant Urn

by Mew Mew's Yarn Shop

## Supplies

- ☞ Yarn: 1 skein Noro Cyochin (180 meters)
- ☞ Needles: US 11 double-pointed
- ☞ Hook: US G
- ☞ 4 ½ inch diameter clay pot
- ☞ one spool of 24 gauge soft brass wire
- ☞ beads
- ☞ 1 ½ inch brass ring

## Stitch Abbreviations

CO	Cast on
BO	Bind off
K	Knit
P	Purl
K2tog	Knit two stitches together
St(s)	Stitch(es)
Sl st	Slip stitch

## Gauge

Not necessary as you will be felting the project.

## Size

Will fit around a pot that is 4 ½" in diameter.

## About Mew Mew's Yarn Shop

Mew Mew's Yarn Shop opened in the summer of 2006 in old town Louisville, Colorado. Owner Sue Wills brings a lifetime of knitting experience and a passion for her craft to her store, where you will find a wide selection of knitting and crocheting products, project advice and many group classes for all skill levels. Come visit Mew Mew the cat, adopted from the Boulder Valley Humane Society, who comes to work with Sue every morning!

Sue grew up amidst Amish Quilt Country, in Lancaster, Pennsylvania. She dabbled in just about every needle craft. As a child, she went from craft project to craft project, becoming famous for never finishing anything. She did manage to complete her first knitted Lopi sweater as an engagement present for her husband, Cheyenne Wills, a skier, climber and kayaker. She then managed to shrink the sweater in the washing machine!

She somehow managed to raise, and clothe in knitted cloth, four kids. Her knitting endeavors include: custom knitting for various knitware designers, designing and selling one-of-a-kind children's sweaters for craft shows, custom knitting, finishing and repair, teaching knitting and crochet, editing for McCall's Needlework magazine, freelance designing for Knitters Magazine, Cast On, Knit in Style and INKnitters. She is involved with the afghans for Afghans organization, contributing the Friday Mosque at Herat Sweater-Jacket design, and crocheted and knitted an IN-Vest for Peace pattern available at: [www.afghans4Afghans.org](http://www.afghans4Afghans.org). She has served as outreach chair for the Handweaver's Guild of Boulder. [www.handweaversofboulder.org](http://www.handweaversofboulder.org). Sue also enjoys teaching various knitting classes through the Lifelong Learning program of the Boulder Valley School District. [bouldervalley.augusoft.net](http://bouldervalley.augusoft.net)

Mew Mew's Yarn Shop is a dream come true!



## Directions

CO 66 sts. Join and work in the round.

Rounds 1 – 7: Knit.

### Upper edge holes:

Round 8: (BO 2, K4, BO 2, K25 ) repeat around.

Round 9: (CO 2, K4, CO 2, K25) repeat around.

Rounds 10- 21: Knit.

Rounds 22-37: Decrease 2 sts evenly around next round and then every 3<sup>rd</sup> round until 52 sts remain.

### Bottom holes:

Round 38: K8, BO 9 sts, K8, BO 9 sts, K8, BO 9 sts. 1 stitch will remain on right needle. (25 sts)

Round 39: (K8, CO 5 sts), repeat around ending with K1 (40 STS).

Round 40: Knit.

Round 41: (K3, K2tog), repeat around (32 STS).

Round 42: Knit.

Round 43: (K2, K2tog), repeat around (24 STS).

Round 44: Knit.

Round 45: (K1, K2tog), repeat around (16 STS).

Round 46: Knit.

Round 47: K2tog around (8 STS).

Cut yarn leaving a tail and pull through remaining stitches.

### Gnarly tentacles:

Pick up 18 sts around a bottom hole.

Rounds 1 – 5: Knit.

Round 6: K2tog thrice, knit to end of round.

Repeat above 6 rounds until 6 sts remain.

You can now work the 6 sts as an I-cord until tentacle is 17-20 inches long.

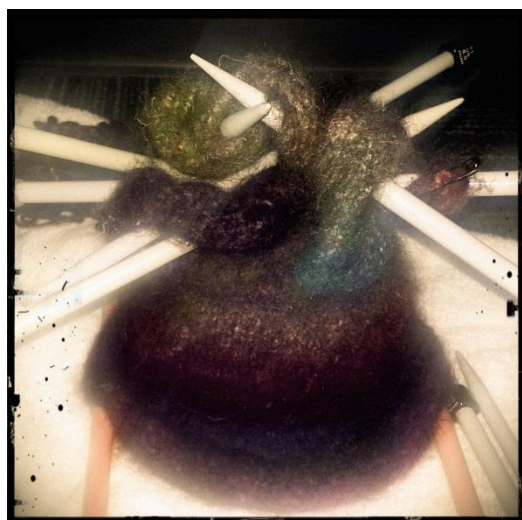
Cut yarn leaving a tail and pull through remaining sts.

Repeat for other two tentacles.

Weave in all ends.

### I-cord instructions:

Move all 6 sts onto one needle, \*do not turn, slide sts to right end of needle, working yarn will be attached to last stitch on left end; using 2<sup>nd</sup> needle, knit all sts; repeat from \*.



### Felting and Shaping:

Use hot water in a top-loader washing machine. Put knitted urn in a zippered pillowcase and place in washing machine. Run machine, stopping cycle at end of agitation and resetting to agitation cycle repeatedly until urn is felted as desired. Remove from washing machine and mold by rolling top edge. Turn upside down and weave largish knitting needles through the 4 holes around upper edge to preserve hole spaces while drying. Twist tentacles around largish knitting needles and allow to air dry into a gnarly shape.

### Finishing hanger (see photo):

String beads on to wire and thread wire through top holes to form two hoops. Twist wire ends. Use a G crochet hook to crochet a chain with wire below upper lip of clay pot. Pull tight enough to support pot and join with sl st. Chain 3 lengths of wire chain from chain around lip to brass ring for hanging. Use short pieces of wire to attach felted hanger to the 3 chain lengths.

Air plants look great in this gnarly urn!