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Thirty-eight

...is the number of rows it takes to knit this soft seed stitch and ribbing circle with just one skein of the first yarn from Clara Parkes' Great White Bale project.

Materials

Yarn: Approximately 210 yards of The Great White Bale Lot #1: The Bartlett Experiment (available exclusively to GWB Members). A soft, lofty aran-heavy worsted weight yarn can be substituted.

Needles: One 24" circular needle US10, or size to obtain the approximate gauge and a soft fabric. You might also want a needle one size larger for binding off.

Notions: Stitch marker to mark beginning of round, tapestry needle to weave in ends.

Gauge & Finished Measurements

In seed stitch, after blocking: Approximately 12 stitches/4 in (10 cm). Exact gauge isn't crucial for this project. About 52 in (132 cm) around and 8 in (20 cm) high.

Directions

Using the long tail method, loosely cast on 140 stitches. Join into a round, being careful not to twist the stitches. Place a marker at the beginning of the round.

Knit one round.

Begin seed stitch:

Row 1: K1, P1, repeat to end of round.

Row 2: P1, K1, repeat to end of round.

Repeat these two rows for a total of 26 rows, ending with Row 2.

Begin ribbing:

K1, P1, repeat to end of round.

Repeat this row a total of 10 times.

Knit one round.

Finishing: Bind off evenly and loosely enough to match the cast on edge. A needle one size larger than the one used for the project will help keep the bind-off loose. Weave in ends, soak the piece in warm water and wool wash, and block on a towel to dry, stretching slightly to open the fabric a bit.