

Lip Balm Cozy

fingering, sport or worsted



Description: I hate the fuzzy “stuff” from the bottom of my pocket or my handbag squeezing it’s way into the crevices of my lip balm. Add to that the fact that they are always so hard to find in the bottom of the deep abyss that is my handbag. Solution: lip balm cozy. Keeps it clean AND makes it easy to find by feel alone.

Gauge:
Fingering/Sock - 8 sts = 1” in stockinette with size 3 needle
Sport - 6.5 sts = 1” in stockinette with size 4 needle
Worsted - 5 sts = 1” in stockinette with size 7 needle

Needles: Set of double point needles in appropriate size to obtain gauge for yarn used.

Yarn:
Fingering/Sock weight yarn, sport weight yarn or worsted weight yarn. Regarding yardage, it barely takes any. Probably less than 5 yards.

Begin:
Cast on 12 (16, 18) stitches and divide evenly onto 3 needles. Join into the round being careful not to twist the stitches.

Work 5 rounds in k1p1 ribbing.

Work in stockinette until the piece measures the length of your lip balm.

On the next round, *k2tog, rep from * to the end of the round.

Cut a tail and using a tapestry needles, weave it through the remaining stitches, pull taught and weave in the loose ends.

NOTE:
Add a lanyard style clasp to your lip balm cozy if you’d like to seriously wrangle it.

For larger size lip sticks & balms, simply add a couple more stitches, usually in increments of 2, until you get it the right size. This is a project I don’t mind frogging if it ends up the wrong size and I have to start over with a different number of stitches. So have fun & experiment with different stash leftovers until you have a basketful of these goodies. Give one to everyone you know.

Hint: Really yummy lip balm available at www.stypecreative.com to fill your cozy if needed. :)



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