

A Midsummer Afternoon's Dream Pillow/Bag

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You will need:

1 skein/ball soft cotton worsted weight yarn (I'm using Knit Picks' Comfy Worsted)
1 set of size 7 straight needles
Dried lavender flowers and flax seeds to fill the pillow

Cast on 28 stitches.

1. K1, (P1, K1) repeat across row
2. P1, (K1, P1) repeat across row
3. K2 tog, (YO, K2tog) repeat across row (ending with 27 stitches)
4. Purl across row
5. K1, (P1, K1) repeat across row.
6. Purl across row
7. (RS) P1, K2, P2, K3, P2, K2, P1, K1, P1, K2, P2, K3, P2, K2, P1 (27 stitches)
8. (WS) K2, P2, K2, P1, K2, P2, K2, P1, K2, P2, K2, P1, K2, P2, K2
9. (RS) K1, P2, K2, P1, K1, P1, K2, P2, K3, P2, K2, P1, K1, P1, K2, P2, K1
10. (WS) P2, K2, P5, K2, P5, K2, P5, K2, P2

Repeat rows 7-10 until your dream pillow reaches approximately 7-8 inches long. End at row 10.

Next row: (RS) Knit across row

Next: K1, (P1, K1) repeat across row

Next: (RS) Knit across row

Next: P2 tog, (YO, P2tog), repeat across row. (End with P1 instead of P2tog)

Next: (RS) K1, P1, K1 (Repeat across row)

Next: (WS) Bind off in K1, P1, K1 repeat across row.

Option 1: Dream Pillow

Make two pieces as indicated above.

Place wrong sides together and stitch together along the two long sides with yarn or sewing machine) and run ribbons through the eyelets along the top and bottom (but do not pull tight). Make a little rectangle shaped muslin pillow form to pour your lavender and flax into, then stitch closed along the top and slide down into your Dream Pillow. Just sew a simple piece that fits the size of your knitting project- nothing fancy (as you won't be seeing it).

Slide your cotton pillow into the knitted bag, and close the top and bottom by weaving ribbon through the eyelets.

Option 2: Narrow Dream Pillow

Knit only one piece, and fold it in half lengthwise. Stitch the skinny "bag" together along the length of the bag. Then create a muslin bag for your lavender and flax (as in Option 1) to fit your narrow pillow form. Thread ribbon through the eyelets along the open edge to close.

Credit where credit is due: I adapted the stitch design from a sweater pattern in Debbie Bliss' *Family Knits*.

Option 3: Jewelry Bag

Knit one piece and fold it half width-wise. Stitch along both side edges and run ribbons through the top eyelets to create a little jewelry bag.



Thank you to [Joanne Wardle](#) for sharing a photo of her knit sample in orange!